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FRIENDLY ICE CREAM CORP  
Form 8-K  
February 11, 2005

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report Pursuant  
to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) February 9, 2005  
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FRIENDLY ICE CREAM CORPORATION  
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(Exact Name Of Registrant As Specified In Its Charter)

MASSACHUSETTS  
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(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-13579  
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(Commission File Number)

04-2053130  
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(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1855 Boston Road, Wilbraham, MA  
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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

01095  
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(Zip Code)

(413) 543-2400

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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[ ] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

Resignation of a Director

On February 9, 2005, Mr. Charles A. Ledsinger, a director of Friendly Ice Cream Corporation (the "Company") since 1997, informed the Board of Directors of the Company that he is resigning as a Class II Director of the Company to pursue other activities, effective March 1, 2005.

Appointment of a Director

On February 9, 2005, the Company's Board of Directors, upon the recommendation of the Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors, appointed Mr. Perry D. Odak as a Class II director to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Ledsinger's resignation, such appointment to be effective March 1, 2005. Mr. Odak will also serve on the Audit and Compensation Committees of the Board of Directors.

A copy of a press release issued by the Company announcing the resignation of Mr. Ledsinger and the appointment of Mr. Odak is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits  
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Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description
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99.1	Friendly Ice Cream Corporation Press Release dated February 10, 2005

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: February 11, 2005      FRIENDLY ICE CREAM CORPORATION

By: /s/ PAUL V. HOAGLAND

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Name: Paul V. Hoagland  
Title: Executive Vice President  
of Administration and

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Chief Financial Officer

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