

NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 CARPENTER JAMES J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC [NYB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 615 MERRICK AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/02/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP & Chief Lending Officer

WESTBURY, NY 11590
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/02/2005		J ⁽¹⁾	V 9 A \$ 17.89	3,546	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock	02/16/2005		J ⁽¹⁾	V 9 A \$ 18.19	3,555	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock	02/22/2005		J ⁽²⁾	V 50 A \$ 17.85	3,605	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock					20,573 ⁽¹⁾	I	By ESOP
Common Stock					16,166	I	By IRA

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.6475					01/18/2004 ⁽³⁾ 01/18/2011	Common Stock	11,564
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.5025					12/21/2003 ⁽⁴⁾ 12/21/2011	Common Stock	19,844
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.845					07/24/2004 ⁽⁵⁾ 07/24/2012	Common Stock	35,556
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.0575					01/21/2004 ⁽⁶⁾ 01/21/2013	Common Stock	21,333
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.4975					09/16/2004 ⁽⁷⁾ 09/16/2013	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CARPENTER JAMES J
615 MERRICK AVENUE
WESTBURY, NY 11590

EVP & Chief Lending Officer

Signatures

By: /s/ Ilene A. Angarola, Power of
Attorney

03/23/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) This form reflects increases in beneficial ownership resulting from exempt acquisitions pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c).
- (2) This form reflects an increase in beneficial ownership resulting from dividend reinvestment pursuant to Rule 16a-11.
- (3) Stock Options granted pursuant to the 1996 Haven Stock Option Plan are fully vested and exercisable as of January 18, 2004.
- (4) Stock Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan are fully vested and exercisable as of December 21, 2004.
- (5) Stock Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan that vest in two equal annual installments beginning on July 24, 2004.
- (6) Stock Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan that vest in three equal annual installments beginning on January 21, 2004.
- (7) Stock Options granted pursuant to the 1993 Haven Stock Option Plan that vest in three equal annual installments beginning on September 16, 2004.

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