NATHANS FAMOUS INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEISTNER BARRY	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle)	NATHANS FAMOUS INC [NATH] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
223 WEST 19TH STREET	(Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2005	_X_ Director10% Owner other (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
NEW YORK, NY 10011		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-E	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 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)
Common Stock	02/17/2005		Code V M	Amount 6,300	(D)	Price \$ 3.44	6,300	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005		S	6,300	D	\$ 7.3019	0	D	
Common Stock	02/18/2005		M	6,200	A	\$ 3.44	6,200	D	
Common Stock	02/18/2005		S	6,200	D	\$ 7.272	0	D	

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)

	•	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Securities		or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		action Derivative Securities 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercise Expiration Date (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	
					Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Dire Stoo Opt Plan	ion	\$ 3.44	02/17/2005		M		6,300	06/01/1996	05/31/2006	Common Stock	6,300					
Dire Stoo Opt Plan	ion	\$ 3.44	02/18/2005		M		6,200	06/01/1996	05/31/2006	Common Stock	6,200					

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LEISTNER BARRY 223 WEST 19TH STREET NEW YORK, NY 10011	X					

Signatures

Barry Leistner	02/18/2005		
**Signature of	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) Excludes 27,500 shares pursuant to the 1998 Stock Option Plan and 20,000 shares pursuant to the 2001 Stock Option Plan.

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