NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CANGEMI THOMAS R			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) 615 MERRICI	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/20/2005	Director 10% Owner Senior Executive VP	
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
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(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code Amount (D) Price Common 01/20/2005 J(1)158 A 76,450 Ι By 401(k) Stock 18.28 Common 02/02/2005 J(1)V 161 76,611 I By 401(k) Stock Common **J**(1) Ι 02/16/2005 V 159 76,770 By 401(k) Stock Common J(2)76,899 02/22/2005 V 129 Ι By 401(k) Stock Common **J**(2) 12,378 (1) 02/15/2005 V 168 I By ESOP Stock

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Common Stock	641,901	D (3)	
Common Stock	58,394	I	By IRA
Common Stock	1,941	I	By Spouse
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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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 II S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.845					07/24/2004(4)	07/24/2012	Common Stock	177,779	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.0575					01/21/2005(5)	01/21/2013	Common Stock	248,889	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Hume / Hudress	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
CANGEMI THOMAS R 615 MERRICK AVENUE WESTBURY, NY 11590			Senior Executive VP			

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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 increases in beneficial ownership resulting from dividend reinvestment pursuant to Rule 16a-11.
- (3) All shares held directly are held jointly with Mr. Cangemi's wife.
- 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.
- Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan that vest in two equal annual installments beginning on January 21, 2005.

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