BLUE NILE INC Form 4 January 07, 2005

FORM 4

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

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See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

BLUE NILE INC [NILE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

01/05/2005

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **GASTON DWIGHT**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BLUE NILE, INC., 705 FIFTH

AVENUE S, STE 900

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

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify

below) VP of Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/05/2005		M	200	A	\$ 0.5	25,691	D	
Common Stock (1)	01/05/2005		S <u>(1)</u>	200 (1)	D	\$ 25.95	25,491	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2005		M	67	A	\$ 0.5	25,558	D	
Common Stock (1)	01/05/2005		S <u>(1)</u>	67 (1)	D	\$ 25.54	25,491	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2005		M	99	A	\$ 0.5	25,590	D	

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Common Stock (1)	01/05/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	99 (1)	D	\$ 25.58	25,491	D
Common Stock	01/05/2005	M	100	A	\$ 0.5	25,591	D
Common Stock (1)	01/05/2005	S <u>(1)</u>	100 (1)	D	\$ 25.56	25,491	D
Common Stock	01/05/2005	M	34	A	\$ 0.5	25,525	D
Common Stock (1)	01/05/2005	S(1)	34 (1)	D	\$ 25.75	25,491	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.5	01/05/2005		M	200	(2)	06/26/2009	Common Stock	200	!
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.5	01/05/2005		M	67	(2)	06/26/2009	Common Stock	67	!
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.5	01/05/2005		M	99	(2)	06/26/2009	Common Stock	99	!
	\$ 0.5	01/05/2005		M	100	(2)	06/26/2009		100	

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Stock Options (Right to Buy)						Common Stock	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.5	01/05/2005	M	34	(2)	06/26/2009 Common Stock 34	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GASTON DWIGHT C/O BLUE NILE, INC. 705 FIFTH AVENUE S, STE 900 SEATTLE, WA 98104

VP of Operations

Signatures

/s/ Dwight 01/07/2005 Gaston

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

- ** 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 sale was affected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (2) 25% of the option shares vest one year after May 17, 1999 and one-forty-eighth of the option shares vest in equal monthly installments over the following thirty-six months.
- (3) Not applicable.

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