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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549							OMB OMB Number:	3235-028			
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1(b). (Print or Type F	Responses)										
;			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC [SASR]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/25/2005					XDirector10% Owner Officer (give titleOther (specify below)below)			
				Amendment, Date Original l(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deem Execution any (Month/D	ed Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi m(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ties Ad sposed 4 and (A) or	cquired 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	
Common Stock	05/25/2005			Code V A	Amount 378	(D) D	Price \$ 33.04	2,724	D		
Common Stock								195	I	self dir pension plan	

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	int of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address								
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
MESS CHARLES F 18420 BROOKE GROVE ROAD OLNEY, MD 20832	Х							
Signatures								
Theresa A. Cornish by POA	05/26/2005							
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date							
Explanation of Responses:								
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* 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).

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