

GILMAN ALAN B  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**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 \*  
**GILMAN ALAN B**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

500 CENTURY BLDG., 36 S.  
 PENNSYLVANIA

(Street)

INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**STEAK & SHAKE CO [SNS]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**09/14/2005**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					357,152	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)**

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option	\$ 17.14					08/04/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 08/04/2009 <sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock	25,000
Option	\$ 9.9					10/01/2001 <sup>(1)</sup> 10/01/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock	5,000
Option	\$ 19.75	09/14/2005		A	25,000	09/14/2005 <sup>(1)</sup> 09/14/2010 <sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock	25,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GILMAN ALAN B 500 CENTURY BLDG. 36 S. PENNSYLVANIA INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204	X			

## Signatures

David C. Milne Attorney  
in Fact 09/16/2005

\*\*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) The options granted to Mr. Gilman vest on a five-year graduated basis, with 20% vested immediately and an additional 20% vesting each anniversary of the date of grant thereafter.

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