GANNETT CO INC /DE/ Form 4 June 05, 2002

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	FORM 4	
STATEME	NT OF CHANGES IN BENEF	CICIAL OWNERSHIP
Section 17(a) of t		arities Exchange Act of 1934, ding Company Act of 1935 or Company Act of 1940
	longer subject of Sec inue. See Instruction	etion 16. Form 4 or Form 5 1(b).
1. Name and Address of Re	porting Person*	
Palmisano	Samuel	J.
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)
Gannett Co., Inc.	7950 Jones Bran	nch Drive
	(Street)	
McLean	Virginia	22107
(City)	(State)	(Zip)
2. Issuer Name and Ticker	or Trading Symbol	
Gannett Co., Inc. ("GCI")		
3. IRS or Social Security	Number of Reporting F	Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Ye	ar	
May, 2002		
5. If Amendment, Date of	Original (Month/Year)	
6. Relationship of Report	ing Person to Issuer	

(Check all applicable)							
[X] Director [] Officer (give title	below) [-	Owne er (s	r pecify below)			
7. Individual or Joint/Group F [X] Form filed by one Repo [] Form filed by more than	rting Person		====	======	==		
	vative Securities Acc r Beneficially Owned				==		
	2.	3. Transaction Code		4. Securities Ac Disposed of ((Instr. 3, 4	D)		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Transaction Date (mm/dd/yy)	(Instr.	,	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock		M 		875 	A	\$65.95 	
Common Stock	05/07/02	S		875	D	\$72.90	
Common Stock	To 04/30/02						

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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^{*} If the Form is filed by more than one Reporting Person, see Instruction $4\,\mbox{(b)}\,\mbox{(v)}\,.$

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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 3. Price Transof action Deriv Date ative (Month/SecurDay/ity Year)	Code (Instr.	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) Date Expira-		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)								Amount or Number of Shares	
				Exer- tion cisable Date	Title				
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Stock Options	\$65.95	05/07/02	ľΔ		875	05/07/02	05/07/11	Stock	875
Explanation of Resp		=======		======	======	=======			======

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Held by the trustee of the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan, The Northern Trust Company.

/s/Samuel J. Palmisano 06/05/02
-----**Signature of Reporting Person Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedures.

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