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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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owned directly or indirectly.

| 1. Name and A Person * ARGYR | | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST AMERICAN CORP [(FAF)] | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 10/01/2005 | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | |
| 949 SOUTH COAST DRIVE, SUITE 600 | | | | (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
| COSTA ME | (Street) | 92626 | | X Director 10% Owner Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) | | | 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 I - | Non-Derivat | tive Securit | ities Beneficially Owned | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 4) | | | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) | | | | |
| Common St | ock | | 235,820 | | D | Â | | | |
| Common Stock | | | 7,900 | | I | ВуС | GLA Financial Corp. (corp.) | | |
| Common Stock | | | 106,800 | | I | By F | HBI (corp.) | | |
| Common Stock | | | 3,400 | | I | ВуТ | y Trust (1) | | |
| Common Stock | | | 25,200 | | I | ВуТ | By Trust (2) | | |
| Common Stock | | | 15,000 | | I | ВуТ | By Trust (3) | | |
| Common Stock | | | 3,900 | | I | By Trust (4) | | | |
| Common St | ock | | 125 | | I | UGN | MA Custodial Account (5) | | |
| | ort on a sepa | rate line for e | ach class of securities benefi | cially | SEC 1473 (7-02 | 2) | | | |

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security | | 4. Conversion or Exercise | 5. Ownership Form of | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | (Instr. 4) Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Price of Derivative Security | Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| ARGYROS GEORGE L 949 SOUTH COAST DRIVE, SUITE 600 COSTA MESA, CA 92626 | ÂX | Â | Â | Â | | |

Signatures

By: Jeffrey S. Robinson, Attorney In Fact for 10/10/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 shares are held by the reporting person as trustee of an irrevocable trust for the benefit of his parents.
- (2) The shares are held by the reporting person as trustee of an irrevocable trust for the benefit of his son.
- (3) The shares are held by the reporting person as trustee of an irrevocable trust for the benefit of his daughter.
- (4) The shares are held by a revocable trust for which the reporting person's daughter serves as the trustee and for which the reporting person may be deemed to have investment control.
- (5) The shares are held by the reporting person as custodian of a custodial account established under the Uniform Gifts to Minors Act, for the benefit of the reporting person's grandson.

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