

Ward Pierce Lynda  
Form 4  
April 28, 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**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Ward Pierce Lynda

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
SILICON VALLEY BANCSHARES  
[SIVB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
3003 TASMAN DRIVE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/26/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
Head of HR / Head of HR

SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(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 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)								
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares	
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 46.31	04/26/2005	A		2,159		04/26/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	04/26/2012	Common Stock		2,159	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 46.31	04/26/2005	A		7,841		04/26/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	04/26/2012	Common Stock		7,841	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	04/26/2005	A		5,250		12/01/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	12/01/2007	Common Stock		5,250	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ward Pierce Lynda 3003 TASMAN DRIVE SANTA CLARA, CA 95054			Head of HR	Head of HR

## Signatures

By: Lisa Bertolet as attorney in fact For: Lynda Ward  
Pierce 04/28/2005

          \*\*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) Stock options were granted to the reporting person. Vesting will occur annually from the date of grant over 4 years with 25% vesting each year.
- The reporting person was granted restricted stock units (RSUs) which are subject to performance-based vesting. The RSUs are effective as of 4/26/05, and will vest on 12/1/06, based on the level of return on average equity (ROE) achieved by the Company at December 31, 2005 as follows: (i) if less than 90% of target, none will vest; (ii) if 90% but less than 100% of target 1,750 will vest; (iii) if 100% but less than 110% of target 3,500 will vest; and (iv) if 110% or greater of target 5,250 will vest. Vesting is subject to adjustment by the Compensation Committee as approved to take into account extraordinary items that may impact the calculation of ROE.

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