

BROWN FORMAN CORP  
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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 13G**

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. )\***

**BROWN-FORMAN CORPORATION**

(Name of Issuer)

Class A Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

115637-10-0

(CUSIP Number)

Thomas E. Rutledge

Stoll Keenon Ogden PLLC

1700 PCN Plaza

500 West Jefferson Street

Louisville, Kentucky 40202

(502) 582-1601

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person  
Authorized to Receive notices and Communications)

March 14, 2006

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

☐ Rule 13d-1(b)

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☐ Rule 13d-1(d)

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CUSIP No. 115637-10-0

NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS:

1

Laura Lee Gastis

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY):

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

2

(a) ☐

(b) ☐

SEC USE ONLY:

3

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

4

United States of America

SOLE VOTING POWER:

5

NUMBER OF 0

SHARED VOTING POWER:

SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY 6  
OWNED BY

3,039,544

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:

EACH  
REPORTING 7  
PERSON

0

WITH:

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:

8

3,039,544

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

9

3,039,544

**10** CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

o

**11** PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9):

5.4%

**12** TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

IN

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**Item 1.**

Brown-Forman Corporation  
850 Dixie Highway  
Louisville, Kentucky 40210

**Item 2.**

- a) Name: Laura Lee Gastis
- b) Principal Business address: 1789 S. Pennsylvania Street  
Denver, Colorado 80210
- c) United States of America
- d) Brown-Forman Corporation Class A Common Stock
- e) 0115637-10-0

**Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§ 240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:**

- (a) ☐ Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o).
  - (b) ☐ Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
  - (c) ☐ Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
  - (d) ☐ Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8).
  - (e) ☐ An investment adviser in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E).
  - (f) ☐ An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F).
  - (g) ☐ A parent holding company or control person in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).
  - (h) ☐ A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).
  - (i) ☐ A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3).
  - (j) ☐ Group, in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).
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**Item 4. Ownership.**

The amount of shares beneficially owned by the undersigned as of March 14, 2006, is as follows:

	Aggregate Number
(a) Beneficially Owned	3,039,544
(b) Percent of Class	5.4%
(c) Sole Voting Power	0
Shared Voting Power	3,039,544
Sole Disposition Power	0
Shared Disposition Power	3,039,544

**Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.**

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following o.

**Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.**

On March 14, 2006, the undersigned became an advisor to a trust holding Brown-Forman Corporation Class A Common Stock. As an advisor the undersigned shares voting and dispositional power over the shares held by the trust. As of the date of this filing the other members of the advisory committee are Laura Lee Brown, the mother of the undersigned, and Garvin Brown Deters, brother of the undersigned. Laura Lee Brown has the right to receive the dividends and the proceeds of sale from certain of the shares for which the undersigned has shared voting and dispositional control, with those shares being more than 5% of the Class A Common Stock.

**Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company or Control Person.**

N/A

**Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.**

N/A

**Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.**

N/A

**Item 10. Certification.**

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

**Signature**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: March 21, 2006

/s/ Laura Lee Gastis

Laura Lee Gastis