

CENTRAL GARDEN &amp; PET CO

Form 4

June 01, 2007

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BALOUSEK JOHN

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO  
[CENT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1340 TREAT BLVD., STE. 600  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/31/2007

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

WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ 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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/31/2007		M <sup>(1)</sup>	2,962 A	\$ 11.3 7,487	D	
Common Stock	05/31/2007		F <sup>(2)</sup>	2,327 D	\$ 14.385 5,160	D	
Class A Common Stock	05/31/2007		M <sup>(1)</sup>	5,924 A	\$ 11.23 12,692	D	
Class A Common Stock	05/31/2007		F <sup>(2)</sup>	4,984 D	\$ 13.35 7,708	D	

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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 (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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.3	05/31/2007		M	2,962	<u>(3)</u>	08/09/2007	Common Stock	2,962	
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.23	05/31/2007		M	5,924	<u>(3)</u>	08/09/2007	Class A Common Stock	5,924	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BALOUSEK JOHN 1340 TREAT BLVD., STE. 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Stuart W. Booth,  
Attorney-in-Fact

06/01/2007

\_\_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) Options granted pursuant to Central Garden & Pet Company 2003 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan.
- (2) Shares withheld by the Issuer in payment of the aggregate option exercise price incurred upon the above-reported exercise of options.
- (3) One-third of the total options granted became exercisable at each of 6 months, 18 months and 30 months after February 9, 2004, the date of the grant.

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