BOOTH STUART W Form 3 January 20, 2010 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> BOOTH STUART W			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement(Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO [CENT]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	01/14/2010	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
1340 TREAT BLVD., SUITE 600				(Check	ck all applicable)			
WALNUT CREEK,Â	(Street) CAÂ 94597	7		Director10% Owner XOfficerOther (give title below) (specify below) Chief Financial Officer			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 - N	lon-Derivat	ive Securiti	es Bei	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	ırity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owner (Instr.	1	
Common Stock			4,000	4,000		Â		
Class A Common Stock			23,874		D	Â		
Reminder: Rep owned directly	· •		ach class of securities benefic	ially S	EC 1473 (7-02))		

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

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

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	02/11/2011	Common Stock	12,000 <u>(1)</u>	\$ 7.28	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	12/09/2013	Common Stock	10,000 (2)	\$ 12.92	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(<u>3)</u>	12/14/2013	Common Stock	13,000 <u>(3)</u>	\$ 15.22	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	02/11/2011	Class A Common Stock	24,000 (4)	\$ 7.23	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(5)	12/09/2013	Class A Common Stock	20,000 <u>(5)</u>	\$ 12.83	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(6)	12/14/2013	Class A Common Stock	26,000 <u>(6)</u>	\$ 15.11	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(7)	05/23/2015	Class A Common Stock	27,000 <u>(7)</u>	\$ 13.83	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(8)	03/04/2014	Class A Common Stock	80,000 <u>(8)</u>	\$ 4.6	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1.0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BOOTH STUART W 1340 TREAT BLVD., SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597	Â	Â	Chief Financial Officer	Â		
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Signatures

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 reporting person was granted on February 10, 2003 an option for 15,000 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer. As of January 14, 2010, 12,000 shares are outstanding. Of the 12,000 shares currently outstanding, 6,000 shares are exercisable and 6,000 shares will vest

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and become exercisable on February 10, 2010.

The reporting person was granted on December 9, 2004 an option for 10,000 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer. As of January 14, 2010, 10,000 shares are outstanding. Of the 10,000 shares currently outstanding, 4,000 are exercisable and 6,000 shares will vest in three

(2) 2010, 10,000 shares are outstanding. Of the 10,000 shares currently outstanding, 4,000 are exercisable and 0,000 shares will vest in three equal installments as follows: 2,000 shares will vest and become exercisable on December 9, 2010, December 9, 2011 and December 9, 2012 respectively.

(3) The reporting person was granted on December 14, 2005 an option for 13,000 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer. As of January 14, 2010, 13,000 shares are outstanding. Of the 13,000 shares currently outstanding, 5,200 shares are exercisable and 7,800 shares will vest in three equal installments as follows: 2,600 shares will vest and become exercisable on December 14, 2010, December 14, 2011 and December 14, 2012 respectively.

The reporting person was granted on February 10, 2003 an option for 30,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer. As of (4) January 14, 2010, 24,000 shares are outstanding. Of the 24,000 shares currently outstanding, 12,000 shares are exercisable and 12,000 shares will vest and become exercisable on February 10, 2010.

(5) The reporting person was granted on December 9, 2004 an option for 20,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer. As of January 14, 2010, 20,000 shares are outstanding. Of the 20,000 shares currently outstanding, 8,000 are exercisable and 12,000 shares will vest in three equal installments as follows: 4,000 shares will vest and become exercisable on December 9, 2010, December 9, 2011 and December 9, 2012 respectively.

The reporting person was granted on December 14, 2005 an option for 26,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer. As of January 14, 2010, 26,000 shares are outstanding. Of the 26,000 shares currently outstanding, 10,400 are exercisable and 15,600 shares

(6) standary 14, 2010, 20,000 shares are outstanding. Of the 20,000 shares entrently outstanding, 10,400 are exercisable and 13,000 shares
 (6) will vest in three equal installments as follows: 5,200 shares will vest and become exercisable on December 14, 2010, December 14, 2011 and December 14, 2012 respectively.

The reporting person was granted on March 23, 2007 an option for 27,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer. As of January
(7) 14, 2010, 27,000 shares are outstanding. The option is exercisable on five equal installments as follows: 5,400 shares will vest and become exercisable on May 23, 2010, May 23, 2011, May 23, 2012, May 23, 2013 and May 23, 2014 respectively.

The reporting person was granted on March 4, 2008 an option for 80,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer. As of January
(8) 14, 2010, 80,000 shares are outstanding. Of the 80,000 shares currently outstanding, 12,000 shares are exercisable and 68,000 shares will vest and become exercisable on April 4, 2013.

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