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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Yuhas George A.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO

(Check all applicable)

General Counsel

[CENT]

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

(Month/Day/Year) 02/14/2012

C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY, 1340 TREAT

(Street)

(State)

BOULEVARD, SUITE 600

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597

(City)	(State)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securit	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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)
Class A Common Stock	02/14/2012		A	10,237 (1)	A	\$0	50,237	D	
Class A Common Stock	02/14/2012		F(2)	3,979	D	\$ 9.28	46,258	D	

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Tit	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Yuhas George A.

C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY 1340 TREAT BOULEVARD, SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597

General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ George A. Yuhas 02/15/2012

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Represents bonus in respect of fiscal year 2011 payable in fully vested shares of Class A Common Stock.
- (2) Shares delivered by the Reporting Person in payment of the withholding tax liability. The amount of shares withheld is based on the closing price of CENTA on February 14, 2012.

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