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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549								OMB Number:	3235-0287		
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(Print or Type I	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Ranelli 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) C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY, 1340 TREAT BLVD, SUITE 600			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2017					Officer (give title 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
				mendment, Date Original 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)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price				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	02/28/2017			S	997	D	\$ 33.35 (1)	13,655	I	By John R. Ranelli Trust <u>(2)</u>	
Class A Common Stock								169,039	D		
Common Stock								64,253	D		
Common								39,384	Ι	By John	

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R. Ranelli Trust (2)

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)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	· (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Ranelli John C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY 1340 TREAT BLVD, SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597	Х					
Signatures						
/s/ JoAnn Jonte, as Attorney-in-Fact for John Ranelli	03/02/2017					
**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).

The range of prices for the shares of Class A Common Stock is from \$33.25 to \$33.44. Mr. Ranelli undertakes that he will provide, upon
 (1) request by the staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, full information regarding the number of securities sold at each separate price.

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Mr. Ranelli disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of the Company's Common Stock and Class A Common Stock owned by the John R. Ranelli Trust dated 12/24/97 except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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