

MARCHIOLI NELSON J  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**MARCHIOLI NELSON J**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**DENNY'S CORPORATION, 203 EAST MAIN STREET**  
 (Street)

**SPARTANBURG, SC 29319**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**DENNYS CORP [DENN]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/18/2010**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**President and CEO**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/18/2010		M		1,250,000	A	\$ 1.03
Common Stock	03/18/2010		M		750,000	A	\$ 2 3,227,623

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 1.03	03/18/2010		M	1,250,000	(1) 02/05/2011	Common Stock	1,250,000	
Employee Stock Option	\$ 2	03/18/2010		M	750,000	(1) 02/05/2011	Common Stock	750,000	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MARCHIOLI NELSON J DENNY'S CORPORATION 203 EAST MAIN STREET SPARTANBURG, SC 29319	X		President and CEO	

## Signatures

J. Scott Melton for Nelson J. Marchioli  
Date: 03/22/2010

\*\*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) The option, granted on 02/05/01 pursuant to the Advantica Stock Option Plan, vested annually in 33 1/3% increments beginning on the first (1st) anniversary of the grant date.

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