BOOTH STUART W

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *BOOTH STUART W	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
	CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO [CENT]				
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify			
1340 TREAT BLVD., SUITE 600	(Month/Day/Year) 04/20/2006	below) below) VP, CFO & Secretary			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597		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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired nsaction(A) or Disposed of (D) le (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	04/20/2006		M <u>(1)</u>	3,000	A	\$ 21.74	13,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		F(2)	1,906	D	\$ 50.36	11,094	D	
Common Stock	04/21/2006		S(3)	494	D	\$ 50.2	10,600	D	
Common Stock	04/21/2006		S	100	D	\$ 50.7	10,500	D	
Common Stock	04/21/2006		S	500	D	\$ 50.71	10,000	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Securities		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 or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.74	04/20/2006		M		3,000	08/10/2005	08/11/2006	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BOOTH STUART W 1340 TREAT BLVD., SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597

VP, CFO & Secretary

Signatures

s/ Stuart W. 04/21/2006 Booth

**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) Options exercised through sales plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1(c)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- (2) Shares withheld by the Issuer in payment of the aggregate option exercise price and withholding tax liability incurred upon the above-reported exercise of options.
- (3) Sale (and all sales reflected in Table I of this Form 4) effected under sales plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1(c)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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