

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BOOTH STUART W			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO [CENT]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ____ Director X ____ Officer (give title below) 10% Owner EVP, CFO & Secretary			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1340 TREAT BLVD., SUITE 600			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/18/2006							
(Street) WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(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)			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	01/18/2006		M		7,000	A (1)	\$ 7.64	17,000	D	
Common Stock	01/18/2006		S		1,000	D (2)	\$ 47.67	16,000	D	
Common Stock	01/18/2006		S		1,000	D	\$ 47.5	15,000	D	
Common Stock	01/18/2006		S		1,000	D	\$ 47.54	14,000	D	
Common Stock	01/18/2006		S		1,000	D	\$ 47.35	13,000	D	
Common Stock	01/18/2006		S		3,000	D	\$ 47.1	10,000	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 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)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.64	01/18/2006		M			7,000	01/31/2005	01/31/2006	Common Stock	7,000	\$ 0	0	D

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BOOTH STUART W 1340 TREAT BLVD., SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597			EVP, CFO & Secretary	

Signatures

/s/ Stuart W. Booth		01/18/2006
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>		<small>Date</small>

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) 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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