Bolus Mark J.
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Bolus Mark J.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

R.R. #1, BOX 412A

(Street)

DALTON, PA 18414

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
COMMUNITY BANK SYSTEM INC [CBU]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/19/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner
_____ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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								48,712.1766 (1)	D	
Common Stock								5,148.497 (2)	I	By Mark Bolus Trust
Common Stock								157.9608 (3)	I	By daughter, Taylor Bolus
Common Stock								157.9608 (3)	I	By daughter,

				Paige Bolus
Common Stock		157.9608 (3)	I	By son, Austin Bolus
Common Stock		157.9608 (3)	I	By son, Noah Bolus

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 A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Stock Option	$ 27.36	01/19/2011		A		3,850		01/19/2011	01/19/2021	Common Stock
Phantom Stock (Deferred Compensation)	(4)	01/19/2011		A		164.4737		(4)	(4)	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Bolus Mark J. R.R. #1, BOX 412A DALTON, PA 18414	X			

Signatures

/s/ Donna J. Drengel, pursuant to a Confirming Statement executed by Mark J. Bolus	01/21/2011
**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) Includes 415.069 shares acquired on January 10, 2011 pursuant to the Community Bank System, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

(2) Includes 45.812 shares acquired on January 10, 2011 pursuant to the Community Bank System, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

(3) Includes 1.398 shares acquired on January 10, 2011 pursuant to the Community Bank System, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

(4) Each unit of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Community Bank System, Inc. common stock. The units of phantom stock relating to the Deferred Compensation Plan will be settled in Community Bank System, Inc. common stock at future dates selected by the reporting person.

(5) Includes 15.2388 units of phantom stock acquired on January 10, 2011 under the Deferred Compensation Plan's dividend reinvestment feature.

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