CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO

Form 4

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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 * BALOUSEK 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) 1340 TREA	(Last) (First) (Middle) 40 TREAT BLVD., STE. 600			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/18/2016				_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
Filed(Mor				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		
WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597								Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acc	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, is any (Month/Day/Year)		on Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	on(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Class A Common Stock	03/18/2016			Code V $S_{(1)}^{(1)}$	Amount 10,961	(D)	Price	28,769	D	
Common Stock								55,160	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Code V (A) (D) Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BALOUSEK JOHN 1340 TREAT BLVD., STE. 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597	X					

Signatures

/s/ JoAnn Jonte, as Attorney-in-Fact for John 03/22/2016 Balousek

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- 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) Shares sold through sales plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1(c)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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