

GIBBONS DAVID T
 Form 4
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GIBBONS DAVID T

(Last) (First) (Middle)

225 MAIN STREET, P. O. BOX
 8003

(Street)

MENASHA, WI 54952-8003

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BANTA CORP [BN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
04/26/2006

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Phantom stock units ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 0 | 04/26/2006 | | 225.85 | A | | | | (2) | (2) | Phantom stock units | 225.85 |
| Stock Option | \$ 39.62 | | | | | | | | 10/27/2005 | 04/27/2015 | Common Stock | 3,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 44.5 | | | | | | | | 06/22/2005 | 12/22/2014 | Common Stock | 6,000 |
| Stock Option ⁽⁴⁾ | \$ 50.83 | 04/26/2006 | | 3,000 | A | | | | 10/26/2006 | 04/26/2016 | Common Stock | 3,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| GIBBONS DAVID T 225 MAIN STREET P. O. BOX 8003 MENASHA, WI 54952-8003 | X | | | |

Signatures

Ronald D. Kneezel,
Attorney-in-fact

04/27/2006

**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).

(3) This security converts on a one-for-one basis.

(1) Award of phantom stock in partial payment of director compensation.

(2) The units will be settled in cash following the reporting person's conclusion of service as a director.

(4) Option granted to reporting person on April 26, 2006 under the Banta Corporation 2005 Equity Incentive Plan.

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