

MERCANTILE BANK CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CHRISTMAS CHARLES E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**MERCANTILE BANK CORP
 [MBWM]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/15/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Senior V.P. & CFO

MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION, 310 LEONARD STREET NW

(Street)

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

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

GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504

(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)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price				
Common Stock	01/15/2008		I		400	A	\$ 11.84	10,719	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	01/15/2008		I		1	A	\$ 11.85	10,720	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	01/15/2008		I		200	A	\$ 11.89	10,920	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	01/15/2008		I		499	A	\$ 11.9	11,419	I	401(k) Plan
	01/15/2008		I		100	A		11,519	I	

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Common Stock						\$ 11.91			401(k) Plan
Common Stock	01/15/2008		I	800	A	\$ 11.93	12,319	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	01/15/2008		I	100	A	\$ 11.05	12,419	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	01/15/2008		I	900	A	\$ 12	13,319	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	01/15/2008		I	100	A	\$ 12.08	13,419	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	01/15/2008		I	400	A	\$ 12.09	13,819	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	01/15/2008		I	40	A	\$ 12.14	13,859	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	01/15/2008		I	600	A	\$ 11.67	14,459	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	01/15/2008		I	500	A	\$ 11.68	14,959	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	01/15/2008		I	221	A	\$ 11.75	15,180	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock							5,681.8	D	
Common Stock							1,171.9	I	401(k) Plan for spouse

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 (Instr. 5)
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					Amount or Number of Shares
		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Code	V	(A)	(D)		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CHRISTMAS CHARLES E MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION 310 LEONARD STREET NW GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504			Senior V.P. & CFO	

Signatures

/s/ Jerome M. Schwartz Attorney-in-fact	01/17/2008
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 **Signature of Reporting Person

____Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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