

MERCANTILE BANK CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION, 310 LEONARD STREET NW

(Street)

GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/27/2007**

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)  
**Senior V.P. & CFO**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/27/2007		F	50 D \$ 22.41	3,352	D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007		M	138 A \$ 8.219	138	I	By spouse
Common Stock	08/27/2007		F	184 D \$ 22.41	3,168	D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007		M	332 A \$ 12.444	470	I	By spouse
	08/27/2007		F	457 D \$ 22.41	2,711	D	

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Common Stock									
Common Stock	08/27/2007		M	636	A	\$ 16.135	1,106	I	By spouse
Common Stock							9,910 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock							1,154 <sup>(2)</sup>	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. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.219	08/27/2007		M	138	11/09/2001 11/08/2010	Common Stock	138
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.444	08/27/2007		M	332	10/18/2002 10/17/2011	Common Stock	332
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.135	08/27/2007		M	636	10/17/2003 10/16/2012	Common Stock	636

Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.219	11/09/2001	11/08/2010	Common Stock	4,660
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.444	10/18/2002	10/17/2011	Common Stock	4,018
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.135	10/17/2003	10/16/2012	Common Stock	3,827

## 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

08/29/2007

\_\_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) This share amount includes shares Mr. Christmas acquired pursuant to the issuer's 401(k) Plan since his last report of common stock ownership.
- (2) This share amount includes shares Mrs. Christmas acquired pursuant to the issuer's 401(k) Plan since Mr. Christmas' last report of common stock ownership.

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