CENTRUE FINANCIAL CORP Form 8-K April 27, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

April 27, 2005

Centrue Financial Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

1-15025

(Commission

File Number)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

310 S. Schuyler, P.O. Box 552, Kankakee, Illinois

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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36-3846489

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

60901

(Zip Code)

815-937-4440

<u>Top of the Form</u> Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On April 21, 2005, Centrue Financial Corporation's (the "Company") Board of Directors approved an amendment to the Centrue Financial Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan") allowing the committee administering the Plan discretion in establishing the expiration provisions of each option grant. Prior to the amendment, the Plan provided for option grants to expire upon the earlier of 10 years from the date of grant or 3 months after an optionee terminates employment with the Company, with certain exceptions.

Additionally, on April 21, 2005, the board authorized the committee to amend the outstanding stock option agreement between Keith Roseland, a Regional President of Centrue Bank, and the Company. Pursuant to the amendment, Mr. Roseland's stock option agreement covering 5,000 shares of the Company's common stock shall continue to vest pursuant to its original terms and remain exercisable following Mr. Roseland's upcoming retirement from the Company. Prior to the amendment, the option agreement terminated pursuant to the termination provision of the Plan described above.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Centrue Financial Corporation

April 27, 2005

By: James M. Lindstrom

Name: James M. Lindstrom Title: Chief Financial Officer