

BANTA CORP  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
**DENERO HENRY 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)  
**04/27/2005**

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)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					2,300	D	

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)**

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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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom stock units	\$ 0	04/27/2005		A	522.21	(1) (1)	Phantom stock units 522.21
Stock Option	\$ 19.1875					10/26/2000 04/26/2010	Common Stock 1,500
Stock Option	\$ 21.375					10/28/1999 04/27/2009	Common Stock 1,500
Stock Option	\$ 21.75					01/30/1997 07/29/2006	Common Stock 4,500
Stock Option	\$ 25.375					10/23/1997 04/22/2007	Common Stock 1,500
Stock Option	\$ 26					10/25/2001 04/25/2011	Common Stock 3,000
Stock Option	\$ 30.92					10/30/2003 04/30/2013	Common Stock 3,000
Stock Option	\$ 31.375					10/29/1998 04/28/2008	Common Stock 1,500
Stock Option	\$ 36.71					04/24/2002 04/24/2012	Common Stock 3,000
Stock Option	\$ 45.79					10/28/2004 04/28/2014	Common Stock 3,000
Stock Option <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 39.62	04/27/2005		A	3,000	10/27/2005 04/27/2015	Common Stock 3,000

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

Ronald. D. Kneezel,  
Attorney-in-fact

04/28/2005

\_\_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) The units will be settled in cash following the reporting person's conclusion of service as a director.
- (2) This security converts on a one-for-one basis.
- (4) Option granted to reporting person on April 27, 2005 under the Banta Corporation Equity Incentive Plan.
- (3) The total includes 161.77 shares phantom stock units acquired in May, August, November, 2004 and February, 2005 through exempt dividend reinvestment at prices ranging from \$39.71 to \$44.48.

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