

CENTRUE FINANCIAL CORP
Form 3
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â DAIBER THOMAS A | | (Month/Day/Year) | CENTRUE FINANCIAL CORP [TRUED] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 11/13/2006 | |
| 122 W MADISON STREET | | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| (Street) | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| OTTAWA,Â ILÂ 61350 | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | (give title below) (specify below) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| | | | PRESIDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFI | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| COMMON STOCK | 44,734 ⁽¹⁾ | D | Â |
| COMMON STOCK | 2,692,496 ⁽²⁾ | I | 401 (K) PLAN |
| COMMON STOCK | 1,440 | I | SPOUSE IRA |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security | 4. Conversion or Exercise | 5. Ownership Form of | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | (Instr. 4) Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Price of Derivative Security | Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | (Instr. 5) |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|--|------------|
| EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY) | 11/13/2006 | 10/19/2014 | COMMON STOCK | 18,000 | \$ 22.92 | D | Â |
| EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY) | 11/13/2006 | 10/08/2013 | COMMON STOCK | 24,000 | \$ 21.88 | D | Â |
| EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY) | 11/13/2006 | 12/29/2012 | COMMON STOCK | 14,400 | \$ 22.5 | D | Â |
| EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY) | 11/13/2007 | 07/07/2013 | COMMON STOCK | 12,500 ⁽³⁾ | \$ 23.5 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| DAIBER THOMAS A 122 W MADISON STREET OTTAWA, IL 61350 | Â X | Â | Â PRESIDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFI | Â |

Signatures

THOMAS A.
DAIBER

11/21/2006

Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) ALL SHARES ARE HELD INDIVIDUALLY, EXCEPT FOR 16,968 SHARES HELD IN A JOINT ACCOUNT WITH SPOUSE.
- (2) ALL SHARES WERE ACCUMULATED THROUGH AUTOMATIC PAYCHECK DEDUCTIONS TO 401 (K) PLAN.
- (3) THIS OPTION WILL VEST IN EQUAL INSTALLMENTS OF 2,500 SHARES PER YEAR OVER 5 YEARS BEGINNING 11/13/07.

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