

MERCANTILE BANK CORP
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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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)
11/29/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	11/29/2007		A	1,325 A \$ 0	5,158 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock					10,163 ⁽²⁾	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock					1,162 ⁽³⁾	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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.74	11/29/2007		A	4,630	11/29/2009 11/28/2014	Common Stock	4,630

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 12/03/2007

**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) Includes shares Mr. Christmas acquired since his last report of common stock ownership by reinvesting cash dividends under the issuer's dividend reinvestment plan.
- (2) Includes shares Mr. Christmas acquired pursuant to the issuer's 401(k) Plan since his last report of common stock ownership.
- (3) 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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