

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO  
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 \*  
**PENNINGTON BROOKS III**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO  
[CENT]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**1280 ATLANTA HIGHWAY**  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/16/2005**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**Pres. & CEO - Pennington Seed**

**MADISON, GA 30650**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	08/16/2005		M <sup>(1)</sup>		7,500 A \$ 21.74	247,050	D
Common Stock	08/16/2005		S <sup>(2)</sup>		1,000 D \$ 51.5	246,050	D
Common Stock	08/16/2005		S		1,000 D \$ 51.35	245,050	D
Common Stock	08/16/2005		S		1,000 D \$ 51.25	244,050	D
Common Stock	08/16/2005		S		2,100 D \$ 51.2	241,950	D

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Common Stock	08/16/2005	S	597	D	\$ 51.12	241,353	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2005	S	53	D	\$ 51.1	241,300	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2005	S	750	D	\$ 51	240,550	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 50.9	239,550	D	
Common Stock						49,040	I	By L.P. <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock						6,938	I	By Spouse <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock						7,604	I	By LLC <sup>(5)</sup>

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)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.74	08/16/2005		M	7,500	08/10/2005	08/10/2006	Common Stock	7,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

