BALOUSEK JOHN
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BALOUSEK JOHN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY, 1340 TREAT BLVD, SUITE 600

(Street)

WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/12/2019

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
__X__ Director
_____ 10% Owner
_____ Officer (give title below)
_____ Other (specify below)

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Class A Common Stock	02/12/2019		A		718 (1)	A	$ 0	1,890	D	
Class A Common Stock								1,455	I	By Balousek Family L.P. (2)
Common Stock								5,160	I	By Balousek Family

L.P. (2)

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)		8. D Sec (Ins
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 27.88	02/12/2019		A		7,174 (3)		(4)	02/12/2025	Class A Common Stock	7,174	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BALOUSEK JOHN C/O CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY 1340 TREAT BLVD, SUITE 600 WALNUT CREEK, CA 94597	X			

Signatures

/s/JoAnn Jonte as Attorney-in-Fact for John Balousek	02/14/2019
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) Restricted stock award granted under the Company's Nonemployee Director Equity Incentive Plan, as amended

(2)

By Balousek Family L.P. Mr. Balousek is the general partner of Balousek Family L.P. Mr. Balousek disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(3) Stock options granted under the Company's Nonemployee Director Equity Incentive Plan, as amended.

(4) One-third of the total options granted will become exercisable at each of 6 months, 18 months and 30 months after February 12, 2019, the date of the grant.

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