

SPARTAN STORES INC
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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
STURKEN CRAIG C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O 850 - 76TH STREET SW

(Street)

GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49518

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SPARTAN STORES INC [SPTN]

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

01/05/2006

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)

Chairman, President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Pr Deriv Secur |
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Instr. 8) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | (Instr. 8) |
|------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|------------|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|------------|
| | (1) | 01/05/2006 | A | 56.272 | (1) | (1) | | | | | | Common Stock | (1) | \$ 1 |
| | (1) | 01/19/2006 | A | 54.119 | (1) | (1) | | | | | | Common Stock | (1) | \$ 1 |
| | (1) | 02/02/2006 | A | 51.853 | (1) | (1) | | | | | | Common Stock | (1) | \$ 1 |
| | (1) | 02/16/2006 | A | 50.061 | (1) | (1) | | | | | | Common Stock | (1) | \$ 1 |
| | (1) | 03/02/2006 | A | 49.191 | (1) | (1) | | | | | | Common Stock | (1) | \$ 1 |
| | (1) | 03/16/2006 | A | 46.679 | (1) | (1) | | | | | | Common Stock | (1) | \$ 1 |
| | (1) | 04/03/2006 | A | 46.029 | (1) | (1) | | | | | | Common Stock | (1) | \$ 1 |
| | (1) | 04/13/2006 | A | 45.052 | (1) | (1) | | | | | | Common Stock | (1) | \$ 1 |
| | (1) | 04/27/2006 | A | 44.115 | (1) | (1) | | | | | | Common Stock | (1) | \$ 1 |
| | (1) | 05/12/2006 | A | 44.949 | (1) | (1) | | | | | | Common Stock | (1) | \$ 1 |
| | (1) | 05/25/2006 | A | 44.181 | (1) | (1) | | | | | | Common Stock | (1) | \$ 1 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| STURKEN CRAIG C C/O 850 - 76TH STREET SW GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49518 | X | | Chairman, President and CEO | |

Signatures

/s/ Alex J. DeYonker, by Power of Attorney
06/19/2006

__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).

This Form 4 reports the purchase of Spartan Stores phantom stock through bi-weekly salary deductions under the Spartan Stores, Inc.

- (1) Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan ("Plan"). Shares of phantom stock are issued on a one-for-one basis and are payable in cash in accordance with the Plan following termination of employment.

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