

LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 STEININGER DONALD B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 LAKELAND FINANCIAL CORP  
 [LKFN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/09/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6914 WOODCROFT

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

FORT WAYNE, IN 46804

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/09/2005		P	500 A \$ 39.4076	9,800	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2005		P	300 A \$ 39.29	10,100	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2005		P	265 A \$ 39.63	10,365	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2005		P	65 A \$ 39.42	10,430	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2005		P	70 A \$ 39.79	10,500	D	

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Common Stock	03/10/2005	P	100	A	\$ 39.73	10,600	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2005	P	100	A	\$ 39.77	10,700	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2005	P	200	A	\$ 39.34	10,900	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2005	P	400	A	\$ 39.69	11,300	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2005	P	500	A	\$ 39.72	11,800	D	
Common Stock						700	I	By 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)	8. Priority of Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 14.25					06/12/2006	06/12/2011	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 34.37					12/09/2008	12/09/2013	Common Stock	500
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					07/10/2003	07/10/2013	Common Stock	252.5

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Phantom Stock	\$ 0	10/27/2003	10/27/2013	Common Stock	1
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	01/16/2004	01/16/2014	Common Stock	252.5
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	01/26/2004	01/26/2014	Common Stock	1
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	04/28/2004	04/28/2014	Common Stock	3
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	07/14/2004	07/14/2014	Common Stock	281
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	07/26/2004	07/26/2014	Common Stock	4
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	10/26/2004	10/26/2014	Common Stock	5
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	01/11/2005	01/11/2015	Common Stock	217
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	01/26/2005	01/26/2015	Common Stock	4

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STEININGER DONALD B 6914 WOODCROFT FORT WAYNE, IN 46804	X			

## Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman,  
Attorney-in-Fact

03/15/2005

\*\*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).

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