

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 *
 NOWAK JAMES J

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)
 2227 S. COUNTRY CLUB RD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/05/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Vice President & Treasurer

WARSAW, IN 46580
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 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	09/05/2006		M	1,800 A \$ 6.75	3,104.524	D	
Common Stock	09/05/2006		M	200 A \$ 6.75	3,304.524	D	
Common Stock	09/05/2006		S	1,800 D \$ 24.6	1,504.524	D	
Common Stock	09/05/2006		S	200 D \$ 24.8	1,304.524	D	
Common Stock					598	I	401(k) Plan

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 6.8125					01/09/2006 01/09/2011	Common Stock	2,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 6.75	09/05/2006		M	1,800	06/13/2005 06/13/2010	Common Stock	1,800
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 6.75	09/05/2006		M	200	06/13/2005 06/13/2010	Common Stock	200

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NOWAK JAMES J 2227 S. COUNTRY CLUB RD WARSAW, IN 46580			Vice President & Treasurer	

Signatures

Teresa A. Bartman,
Attorney-in-Fact

09/07/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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