

STEAK & SHAKE CO  
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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 \*  
MILNE DAVID C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

36 S. PENNSYLVANIA, SUITE 500

(Street)

INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
STEAK & SHAKE CO [SNS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/29/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
General Counsel; Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ 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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	09/29/2006		F	288	D \$ 17.17	12,356	D
Common Stock	09/29/2006		M	500	A \$ 9.9	12,856	D

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option	\$ 17.14					08/04/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 08/04/2009	Common Stock	5,000
Option	\$ 15.1					06/21/2002 <sup>(1)</sup> 06/21/2007	Common Stock	2,100
Option	\$ 19.75					09/14/2005 <sup>(1)</sup> 09/14/2010 <sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock	6,000
Option	\$ 17.47					02/08/2007 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/08/2016	Common Stock	6,900
Option	\$ 19.71					02/21/2005 02/21/2010	Common Stock	1,574
Option	\$ 9.9	09/29/2006		M	500	10/01/2001 10/01/2006	Common Stock	500
Option	\$ 17.17	09/29/2006		A	288	09/29/2006 09/29/2011	Common Stock	288

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MILNE DAVID C 36 S. PENNSYLVANIA SUITE 500 INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204			General Counsel; Secretary	

## Signatures

David C. Milne 09/29/2006

\*\*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).
- (1) These options vest over a five year period, with 20% vesting on the date of grant and the remainder on each anniversary thereof in 20% increments.
- (2) These options vest over a ten-year period, with 25% vesting on the first anniversary of the date of grant and the remainder vesting on subsequent anniversaries.

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