

PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC

Form 4

March 27, 2006

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
DESANCTIS KEVIN G

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
PENN NATIONAL GAMING INC  
[PENN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
825 BERKSHIRE BLVD SUITE 200

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/23/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
President & Chief Operating Of

(Street)

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

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

WYOMISSING, PA 19610

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/23/2006		M	12,644	A \$ 2.655	97,644	D
Common Stock	03/23/2006		M	13,476	A \$ 7.42	111,120	D
Common Stock	03/23/2006		M	12	A \$ 7.95	111,132	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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 2.655	03/23/2006		M	12,644	03/22/2005 03/22/2008	Common Stock 12,644
Incentive Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 7.42	03/23/2006		M	13,476	01/02/2006 01/02/2009	Common Stock 13,476
Incentive Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 7.95	03/23/2006		M	12	02/06/2005 02/06/2010	Common Stock 12

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
DESANCTIS KEVIN G 825 BERKSHIRE BLVD SUITE 200 WYOMISSING, PA 19610	President & Chief Operating Of

## Signatures

/s/Robert S Ippolito as attorney-in-fact for Kevin G DeSanctis

03/27/2006

\_\_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).

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