

BANNER CORP  
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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 \*  
MITCHELL DEAN W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BANNER CORP, PO BOX 907

(Street)

WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BANNER CORP [BANR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/15/2005

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)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	06/15/2005		F	22,268	D	\$ 27.115 (1)	40,407 (2)	D
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	06/15/2005		M	25,100	A	\$ 12.2934	65,507 (3)	D
Common Stock,	06/15/2005		M	206	A	\$ 22.0454	65,713 (4)	D

\$.01 par  
value per  
share

Common  
Stock,  
\$.01 par  
value per  
share

06/15/2005 M 545 A \$ 13.6932 66,258 <sup>(5)</sup> 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
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Option to buy Common Stock	\$ 12.2934	06/15/2005		M	45,919	07/26/1997 <sup>(6)</sup> 07/26/2006	Common Stock	45,919
Option to buy Common Stock	\$ 22.0454	06/15/2005		M	1,100	12/31/1999 <sup>(7)</sup> 12/31/2008	Common Stock	1,100
Option to buy Common Stock	\$ 13.6932	06/15/2005		M	1,100	12/21/2000 <sup>(8)</sup> 12/21/2009	Common Stock	1,100

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
			X	

MITCHELL DEAN W  
C/O BANNER CORP  
PO BOX 907  
WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

## Signatures

/s/Dean W.  
Mitchell

06/16/2005

\*\*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).

- (1) Market price on June 15, 2005.
- (2) Includes direct ownership of 385 shares through Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (3) Includes direct ownership of 25,485 shares through Deferred Compensation Plan as a result of surrender of 25,100 options into the Plan.
- (4) Includes direct ownership of 25,691 shares through Deferred Compensation Plan as a result of surrender of 206 options into the Plan.
- (5) Includes direct ownership of 26,236 shares through Deferred Compensation Plan as a result of surrender of 545 options into the Plan.
- (6) Options vest at rate of 20% per year from date of grant on 7/26/96.
- (7) Options vest at rate of 20% per year from date of grant on 12/31/98.
- (8) Options vest at rate of 20% per year from date of grant on 12/21/99.

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