

BYFUGLIN MAX S  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
BYFUGLIN MAX S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CHEESECAKE FACTORY INC  
[CAKE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/12/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
President (Subsidiary)

CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common stock	03/12/2012		M		9,000 A \$ 9.2	59,144	I By trust (1)
Common stock	03/12/2012		S		4,649 D \$ 30.42	55,495	I By trust (1)
Common stock	03/12/2012		S		3,000 D \$ 30.41	51,495	I By trust (1)
Common stock	03/13/2012		M		22,500 A \$ 20	73,995	I By trust (1)
Common stock	03/13/2012		S		400 D \$ 30.79	73,595	I By trust (1)

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Common stock	03/13/2012	S	2,300	D	\$ 30.78	71,295	I	By trust (1)
Common stock	03/13/2012	S	1,200	D	\$ 30.77	70,095	I	By trust (1)
Common stock	03/13/2012	S	9,216	D	\$ 30.76	60,879	I	By trust (1)
Common stock	03/13/2012	S	9,384	D	\$ 30.75	51,495	I	By trust (1)
Common stock						27,000	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	Amount or Number of Shares
Options to purchase common stock	\$ 9.2	03/12/2012		M	9,000	02/05/2012	02/05/2017	Common stock	9,000
Options to purchase common stock	\$ 20	03/13/2012		M	22,500	02/06/2008	02/06/2013	Common stock	22,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BYFUGLIN MAX S  
26901 MALIBU HILLS ROAD  
CALABASAS HILLS, CA 91301

President (Subsidiary)

## Signatures

Max Byfuglin by Debby Zurzolo, his attorney  
in fact

03/14/2012

\_\_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) Shares held by the Byfuglin Family Trust u/t/a 9/27/2003 of which the reporting person and his spouse are trustees.

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