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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

FOLZ PAUL E

(Last)

Symbol

BANNER CORP [BANR]

(Check all applicable)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

____ Director
X Officer (give title

2 10% Owner
2 Other (specify

10 SOUTH FIRST AVE.

(Month/Day/Year) 05/07/2008

below)
Executive VP, Banner Bank

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Code V

A

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

below)

WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative Securities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired (A)	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	omr Disposed of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership
					Following	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)
					Reported	(I)	
				(A)	Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	
			C 1 W	or	(Instr. 3 and 4)		

Common Stock.

\$.01 par 05/07/2008

(D)

Price

Amount

13.208

8,176 <u>(2)</u> D

value per share $\frac{(1)}{}$

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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						Exercisable	Date		Number		
				C + V	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FOLZ PAUL E 10 SOUTH FIRST AVE. WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

Executive VP, Banner Bank

Signatures

/s/Paul E. Folz 05/09/2008 **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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).
- Acquired pursuant to deferred compensation agreement; settled in stock at termination of service.
- Includes direct ownership of 1,265 shares through Deferred Compensation Plan, and 2,141 shares through Employee Stock Ownership **(2)**

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