## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

<b>STATEMENT</b>	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Wilhite Clayton E  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O CARROLS RESTAURANT GROUP, INC.				(CA) (T) (3. D)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CARROLS RESTAURANT GROUP, INC. [ TAST ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/09/2008								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer neck all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) below)				ner	
968 JAMES ST.  (Street)  SYRACUSE NY 13203  (City) (State) (Zip)				,	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  ative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefic							Lin	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				action	ction 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transac Code (In 8)	tion	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follow Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4)		
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			ransaction of Code (Instr. Derivativ		tive ties ed sed	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Options (right to buy)	\$6.43	06/09/2008			A		3,500		(1)	06	5/09/2015	Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	3,500	\$0	3,500	)	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The Options were granted to the Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuer's 2006 Stock Incentive Plan and will vest and become exercisable over a period of five years, with one-fifth (1/5) of such Options vesting on each of June 9, 2009, June 9, 2010, June 9, 2011, June 9, 2012 and June 9, 2013, provided that the Reporting Person has continuously remained a director of the Issuer. Any unvested Options reported herein will be immediately forfeited upon the Reporting Person ceasing to be a director.

> /s/ Clayton E. Wilhite 06/11/2008

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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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