#### HORACE MANN EDUCATORS CORP /DE/

Form 4

March 16, 2006

# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

PARKER CHARLES A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

HORACE MANN EDUCATORS CORP /DE/ [HMN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Instr. 4)

03/15/2006

(Street)

54 HUCKLEBERRY HILL ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Issuer

below)

NEW CANAAN, CT 06840

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

Code

3.

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Conversion Security or Exercise any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date

(Month/Day/Year)

Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)

7. Title and Amo

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Derivative Disposed of (D) Security (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Date (A)

Phantom

Common 100.536 Stock  $\$ 0 \frac{(1)}{2}$ 03/15/2006 Α 08/08/1988(2) 08/08/1988(2) Stock

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10

Units

## **Reporting Owners**

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

PARKER CHARLES A 54 HUCKLEBERRY HILL ROAD X NEW CANAAN, CT 06840

## **Signatures**

Rhonda R. Armstead, Attorney in Fact for Charles A. 03/16/2006 Parker

> \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- 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) One-for-one.

The phantom stock units are estimated based on the market price of Horace Mann Educators Corporation Common Stock and are (2) acquired under the Horace Mann Educators Corporation Director Stock Plan which are to be settled in Common Stock upon the reporting person's resignation from the Board of Directors.

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