PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT INC.

Form 4

August 20, 2014

FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

SANFILIPPO ANTHONY

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT

if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or

Check this box

SECURITIES Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

Symbol

INC. [PNK]

may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

MICHAEL

(Print or Type Responses)

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(Last) C/O PINNA ENTERTA HOWARD	(Month/D	. Date of Earliest Transaction Month/Day/Year) 18/18/2014					X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) LAS VEGAS, NV 89169						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Executio any	med n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	tion)	4. Securitie (A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4)	osed o		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	08/18/2014			A		100,000	A	\$0	289,961	D	
Common Stock									571,621	I	By Sanfilippo Family Trust
Common Stock									1,500	I	By Daughter
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Stock Daughter Common By 401(k) Ι 1,262 Stock Plan

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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 on 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.59	08/18/2014		A	50,000	<u>(1)</u>	08/18/2024	Common Stock	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiationsnips					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SANFILIPPO ANTHONY MICHAEL C/O PINNACLE ENTERTAINMENT, INC. 3980 HOWARD HUGHES PARKWAY LAS VEGAS, NV 89169	X		Chief Executive Officer			

Signatures

/s/ Elliot D. Hoops, Attorney-In-Fact for Anthony M. 08/20/2014 Sanfilippo

> **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) The stock options vest in two equal annual installments beginning on August 18, 2018.

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