

MERCANTILE BANK CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 30, 2015  
UNITED STATES

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): January 30, 2015**

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**Mercantile Bank Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Michigan**                      **000-26719**                      **38-3360865**  
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File (IRS Employer  
of incorporation)                      Number)                      Identification Number)

**310 Leonard Street NW, Grand Rapids,  
Michigan**                      **49504**  
(Address of principal executive offices)                      (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **616-406-3000**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

The Board of Directors of Mercantile Bank Corporation has authorized a new program to repurchase up to \$20.0 million of the Company's common stock from time to time in open market transactions at prevailing market prices or by other means in accordance with applicable regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

A press release issued by the Company announcing the program is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated into this Item 8.01 by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release of Mercantile Bank Corporation dated January 30, 2015, announcing new \$20.0 million stock repurchase program

**Signatures**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Mercantile Bank Corporation

By: */s/ Charles E. Christmas*  
Charles E. Christmas  
Senior Vice President, Chief

Date: January 30, 2015

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