

CENTRUE FINANCIAL CORP

Form 8-K

June 30, 2006

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**  
**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): June 30, 2006**  
**Centrue Financial Corporation**  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)  
**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**1-15025**  
(Commission File Number)

**36-3846489**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

**310 South Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, Illinois**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**60901**  
(Zip Code)

**(815) 937-4440**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Not Applicable**  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - 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**

On June 30, 2006, Centrue Financial Corporation and UnionBancorp, Inc. issued a joint press release announcing that they have signed a definitive agreement to join forces in a merger of equals transaction. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated June 30, 2006.

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**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.

**CENTRUE FINANCIAL  
CORPORATION**

Dated: June 30, 2006

By: /s/ Thomas A. Daiber  
Thomas A. Daiber  
Chief Executive Officer