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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): MAY 13, 2003

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)

5650 BYRON CENTER AVENUE SW, WYOMING, MICHIGAN (Address of principal executive offices)

49509 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 616-406-3777

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number

Description

99.1

Press release of Mercantile Bank Corporation reporting that it has reached \$1 billion of assets

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

The following information is being furnished under Item 12 of Form 8-K, "Results of Operations and Financial Condition," and is included under this Item 9 in accordance with SEC Release No. 33-8216 (March 27, 2003). The following information is also being furnished under Item 9 of Form 8-K, "Regulation FD Disclosure".

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Press Release. On May 13, 2003, Mercantile Bank Corporation issued a press release reporting that it had reached \$1 billion in assets. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933.

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 Financial Officer and Treasurer

Date: May 13, 2003

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