WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 4 - STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP () Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).													
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person: Stallkamp, William J. 134 Cheswold Lane Haverford, PA 19041													
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol: Matthews International Corporation - MATW													
3. IRS Identification Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary):													
4. Statement for Month/Day/Year: March 6, 2003													
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year):													
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable): (X) Director () Officer () 10% Owner () Other (title below) (specify below)													
 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line): (X) Form filed by one Reporting Person () Form filed by more than one Reporting Person 													
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Explanation of Responses:

- Formula award made under the 1994 Director Fee Plan, based on market price at time of award.
 Payments on phantom stock units commence on April 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the reporting person ceases to be a member of the Board of Directors.

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William J. Stallkamp 03/07/2003 Signature Of Reporting Person Date