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NEW CENTURY FINANCIAL CORP  
Form SC 13D/A  
February 16, 2007

OMB Number 3235-0145

United States  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
Washington DC 20549

Schedule 13D/A Amendment No. 2  
Under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

New Century Financial Corporation  
Name of Issuer

common stock  
Title of Class of Securities

CUSIP Number 6435EV108

Howard Amster, 23811 Chagrin Blvd., Suite 200  
Beachwood, Ohio 44122-5525, 216 595-1047  
(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized  
to Receive Notices and Communications)

February 13, 2007  
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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|    |                          |               |
|----|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1  | Name of Reporting Person | Howard Amster |
| 2  | If a member group        | a) / /        |
| b) | /X/                      |               |
| 3  | SEC Use only             |               |
| 4  | Source of Funds          | PF            |
| 5  | Check if Disclosure      |               |
| 6  | Citizenship              | U.S.A.        |

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|                  |  |                    |           |
|------------------|--|--------------------|-----------|
| Number of Shares | 7  | Sole Voting        | 2,069,271 |
| Beneficially     |  |                    |           |
| Owned By Each    | 8  | Shared Voting      | 885,960   |
| Reporting Person |  |                    |           |
| With             | 9  | Sole Dispositive   | 2,069,271 |
|                  | 10   | Shared Dispositive | 885,960   |
| 11               | Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned                    |                    | 2,205,602 |
| 12               | Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares |                    |           |
| 13               | Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11)     |                    | 3.98 %    |
| 14               | Type of Reporting Person                               |                    | IN        |

|                  |  |                    |   |
|------------------|--|--------------------|---|
| 1                | Name of Reporting Person                               |                    | Howard M Amster 2005<br>Charitable Remainder Unitrust |
| 2                | If a member group                                      | a)                 | / /   |
| b)               | /X/  |                    |   |
| 3                | SEC Use only   |                    |   |
| 4                | Source of Funds  | AF                 |   |
| 5                | Check if Disclosure                                    |                    |   |
| 6                | Citizenship  | U.S.A.             |   |
| Number of Shares | 7  | Sole Voting        |   |
| Beneficially     |  |                    |   |
| Owned By Each    | 8  | Shared Voting      | 131,394   |
| Reporting Person |  |                    |   |
| With             | 9  | Sole Dispositive   |   |
|                  | 10   | Shared Dispositive | 131,394   |
| 11               | Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned                    |                    | 131,394   |
| 12               | Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares |                    |   |
| 13               | Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11)     |                    | 0.24 %  |
| 14               | Type of Reporting Person                               |                    | 00  |

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|    |  |                            |                    |       |
|----|--|----------------------------|--------------------|-------|
| 1  | Name of Reporting Person                               | Amster Limited Partnership |                    |       |
| 2  | If a member group                                      | a)                         | /                  | /     |
| b) | /X/  |                            |                    |       |
| 3  | SEC Use only   |                            |                    |       |
| 4  | Source of Funds  | WC                         |                    |       |
| 5  | Check if Disclosure                                    |                            |                    |       |
| 6  | Citizenship  | USA                        |                    |       |
|    | Number of Shares                                       | 7                          | Sole Voting        |       |
|    | Beneficially   |                            |                    |       |
|    | Owned By Each  | 8                          | Shared Voting      | 3,900 |
|    | Reporting Person                                       |                            |                    |       |
|    | With   | 9                          | Sole Dispositive   |       |
|    |  | 10                         | Shared Dispositive | 3,900 |
| 11 | Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned                    |                            |                    | 3,900 |
| 12 | Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares |                            |                    |       |
| 13 | Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11)     |                            | 0.01               | %     |
| 14 | Type of Reporting Person                               | PN                         |                    |       |

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|----|--|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1  | Name of Reporting Person                               | Amster Trading Company |                    |
| 2  | If a member group                                      | a)                     | / /                |
| b) | /X/  |                        |                    |
| 3  | SEC Use only   |                        |                    |
| 4  | Source of Funds  | WC                     |                    |
| 5  | Check if Disclosure                                    |                        |                    |
| 6  | Citizenship  | USA                    |                    |
|    | Number of Shares                                       | 7                      | Sole Voting        |
|    | Beneficially   |                        |                    |
|    | Owned By Each  | 8                      | Shared Voting      |
|    | Reporting Person                                       |                        | 615,560            |
|    | With   | 9                      | Sole Dispositive   |
|    |  | 10                     | Shared Dispositive |
|    |  |                        | 615,560            |
| 11 | Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned                    |                        | 0                  |
| 12 | Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares |                        |                    |
| 13 | Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11)     |                        | 0 %                |
| 14 | Type of Reporting Person                               |                        | CO                 |

|    |                          |  |     |
|----|--------------------------|--|-----|
| 1  | Name of Reporting Person | Amster Trading Company<br>Charitable Remainder Unitrusts |     |
| 2  | If a member group        | a)   | / / |
| b) | /X/                      |  |     |
| 3  | SEC Use only             |  |     |
| 4  | Source of Funds          | AF   |     |
| 5  | Check if Disclosure      |  |     |
| 6  | Citizenship              |  |     |

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|                  |  |                    |         |
|------------------|--|--------------------|---------|
| Number of Shares | 7  | Sole Voting        |         |
| Beneficially     |  |                    |         |
| Owned By Each    | 8  | Shared Voting      | 615,560 |
| Reporting Person |  |                    |         |
| With             | 9  | Sole Dispositive   |         |
|                  | 10   | Shared Dispositive | 615,560 |
| 11               | Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned                    |                    | 615,560 |
| 12               | Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares |                    |         |
| 13               | Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11)     |                    | 1.11 %  |
| 14               | Type of Reporting Person                               |                    | 00      |

|    |                          |                 |
|----|--------------------------|-----------------|
| 1  | Name of Reporting Person | Samuel J Heller |
| 2  | If a member group        | a) / /          |
| b) | /X/                      |                 |
| 3  | SEC Use only             |                 |
| 4  | Source of Funds          | PF              |
| 5  | Check if Disclosure      |                 |
| 6  | Citizenship              | U.S.A.          |

|                  |  |                    |        |
|------------------|--|--------------------|--------|
| Number of Shares | 7  | Sole Voting        |        |
| Beneficially     |  |                    |        |
| Owned By Each    | 8  | Shared Voting      | 2,675  |
| Reporting Person |  |                    |        |
| With             | 9  | Sole Dispositive   |        |
|                  | 10   | Shared Dispositive | 2,675  |
| 11               | Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned                    |                    | 2,675  |
| 12               | Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares |                    |        |
| 13               | Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11)     |                    | 0.00 % |
| 14               | Type of Reporting Person                               |                    | IN     |

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|    |  |                                   |                    |       |
|----|--|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------|
| 1  | Name of Reporting Person                               | Samuel J Heller Irrevocable Trust |                    |       |
| 2  | If a member group                                      | a)                                | /                  | /     |
| b) | /X/  |                                   |                    |       |
| 3  | SEC Use only   |                                   |                    |       |
| 4  | Source of Funds  | 00                                |                    |       |
| 5  | Check if Disclosure                                    |                                   |                    |       |
| 6  | Citizenship  | U.S.A.                            |                    |       |
|    | Number of Shares                                       | 7                                 | Sole Voting        |       |
|    | Beneficially   |                                   |                    |       |
|    | Owned By Each  | 8                                 | Shared Voting      | 2,675 |
|    | Reporting Person                                       |                                   |                    |       |
|    | With   | 9                                 | Sole Dispositive   |       |
|    |  | 10                                | Shared Dispositive | 2,675 |
| 11 | Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned                    | 2,675                             |                    |       |
| 12 | Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares |                                   |                    |       |
| 13 | Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11)     | 0.00                              | %                  |       |
| 14 | Type of Reporting Person                               | 00                                |                    |       |

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1 Name of Reporting Person Ramat Securities Ltd.

2 If a member group a) / /  
 b) /X/

3 SEC Use only

4 Source of Funds WC

5 Check if Disclosure

6 Citizenship U.S.A.

Number of Shares 7 Sole Voting  
 Beneficially  
 Owned By Each 8 Shared Voting 132,431  
 Reporting Person  
 With 9 Sole Dispositive  
 10 Shared Dispositive 132,431

11 Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned 132,431

12 Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares

13 Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11) 0.24 %

14 Type of Reporting Person BD

1 Name of Reporting Person Tova Financial, Inc.

2 If a member group a) / /  
 b) /X/

3 SEC Use only

4 Source of Funds WC

5 Check if Disclosure

6 Citizenship USA

Number of Shares 7 Sole Voting  
 Beneficially  
 Owned By Each 8 Shared Voting 8,900

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|------------------|--|--------------------|--------|
| Reporting Person |  |                    |        |
| With             | 9  | Sole Dispositive   |        |
|                  | 10   | Shared Dispositive | 8,900  |
| 11               | Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned                    |                    | 3,100  |
| 12               | Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares |                    |        |
| 13               | Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11)     |                    | 0.01 % |
| 14               | Type of Reporting Person                               |                    | CO     |

|    |  |   |                          |
|----|--|---|--------------------------|
| 1  | Name of Reporting Person                               | Tova Financial, Inc. Charitable<br>Remainder Unitrust |                          |
| 2  | If a member group                                      | a)  | / /                      |
| b) | /X/  |   |                          |
| 3  | SEC Use only   |   |                          |
| 4  | Source of Funds  |   | AF                       |
| 5  | Check if Disclosure                                    |   |                          |
| 6  | Citizenship  |   |                          |
|    | Number of Shares                                       | 7   | Sole Voting              |
|    | Beneficially   |   |                          |
|    | Owned By Each  | 8   | Shared Voting 5,800      |
|    | Reporting Person                                       |   |                          |
|    | With   | 9   | Sole Dispositive         |
|    |  | 10  | Shared Dispositive 5,800 |
| 11 | Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned                    |   | 5,800                    |
| 12 | Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares |   |                          |
| 13 | Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11)     |   | 0.01 %                   |
| 14 | Type of Reporting Person                               |   | OO                       |



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|----|--|--------|--------------------------|
| 1  | Name of Reporting Person                               |        | ZAK Group LLC            |
| 2  | If a member group                                      | a)     | / /                      |
| b) | /X/  |        |                          |
| 3  | SEC Use only   |        |                          |
| 4  | Source of Funds  | WC     |                          |
| 5  | Check if Disclosure                                    |        |                          |
| 6  | Citizenship  | U.S.A. |                          |
|    | Number of Shares                                       | 7      | Sole Voting              |
|    | Beneficially   |        |                          |
|    | Owned By Each  | 8      | Shared Voting 2,100      |
|    | Reporting Person                                       |        |                          |
|    | With   | 9      | Sole Dispositive         |
|    |  | 10     | Shared Dispositive 2,100 |
| 11 | Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned                    |        | 2,100                    |
| 12 | Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares |        |                          |
| 13 | Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11)     |        | 0.00 %                   |
| 14 | Type of Reporting Person                               |        | 00                       |

|   |                          |              |
|---|--------------------------|--------------|
| 1 | Name of Reporting Person | David Zlatin |
|---|--------------------------|--------------|

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2 If a member group a) / /  
 b) /X/

3 SEC Use only

4 Source of Funds PF

5 Check if Disclosure

6 Citizenship U.S.A.

|                  |    |                    |         |
|------------------|----|--------------------|---------|
| Number of Shares | 7  | Sole Voting        | 1,551   |
| Beneficially     |    |                    |         |
| Owned By Each    | 8  | Shared Voting      | 143,531 |
| Reporting Person |    |                    |         |
| With             | 9  | Sole Dispositive   | 1,551   |
|                  | 10 | Shared Dispositive | 143,531 |

11 Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned 139,282

12 Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares

13 Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11) 0.25 %

14 Type of Reporting Person IN

1 Name of Reporting Person David Zlatin and Gilda Zlatin JTWROS

2 If a member group a) / /  
 b) /X/

3 SEC Use only

4 Source of Funds PF

5 Check if Disclosure

6 Citizenship U.S.A.

|                  |   |               |     |
|------------------|---|---------------|-----|
| Number of Shares | 7 | Sole Voting   |     |
| Beneficially     |   |               |     |
| Owned By Each    | 8 | Shared Voting | 100 |

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|                  |  |                    |        |
|------------------|--|--------------------|--------|
| Reporting Person |  |                    |        |
| With             | 9  | Sole Dispositive   |        |
|                  | 10   | Shared Dispositive | 100    |
| 11               | Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned                    |                    | 100    |
| 12               | Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares |                    |        |
| 13               | Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11)     |                    | 0.00 % |
| 14               | Type of Reporting Person                               |                    | IN     |

|                  |  |                    |        |
|------------------|--|--------------------|--------|
| 1                | Name of Reporting Person                               | Gilda Zlatin       |        |
| 2                | If a member group                                      | a)                 | / /    |
| b)               | /X/  |                    |        |
| 3                | SEC Use only   |                    |        |
| 4                | Source of Funds  | PF                 |        |
| 5                | Check if Disclosure                                    |                    |        |
| 6                | Citizenship  | U.S.A.             |        |
| Number of Shares | 7  | Sole Voting        | 374    |
| Beneficially     |  |                    |        |
| Owned By Each    | 8  | Shared Voting      | 9,000  |
| Reporting Person |  |                    |        |
| With             | 9  | Sole Dispositive   | 374    |
|                  | 10   | Shared Dispositive | 9,000  |
| 11               | Aggregate Amount Beneficially owned                    |                    | 3,574  |
| 12               | Check if Aggregate Amount (11) Excludes Certain Shares |                    |        |
| 13               | Percent of Class Represented by amount in row (11)     |                    | 0.01 % |
| 14               | Type of Reporting Person                               |                    | IN     |

There are no changes to the Schedule 13D, as amended except as set forth in this second amendment.

Item 2. Identity and Background

Pleasant Lake Apts. Ltd. Partnership sold all their shares of New Century Financial Corporation. Pleasant Lake Apts. Corp. and Pleasant Lake Apts. Ltd. Partnership no longer have any shared voting, dispositive power, disclaim any beneficial ownership of New Century Financial Corporation common shares and are no longer members of this group.

For information purposes only

Clients and employees (excluding Mr. Amster and Mr. Zlatin) of Ramat Securities own 113,233 shares of New Century Financial Corporation or 0.2 % of the Registrant's common shares.

Clients and employees (excluding Mr. Amster and Mr. Zlatin) of Ramat Securities Ltd. do not have ownership, no shared voting, no dispositive power, no pecuniary interest in any shares in Registrant's common shares nor to any other securities owned directly or indirectly by Ramat Securities Ltd. Clients and employees of Ramat Securities Ltd. (excluding Mr. Amster and Mr. Zlatin) disclaim being a member of this group.

Ramat Securities has no ownership, no shared voting, no dispositive, no pecuniary interest in Registrant's common shares nor in any other securities owned directly or indirectly by its clients or employees (excluding Mr. Amster and Mr. Zlatin).

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

Howard Amster sold 22,500 common shares reducing his total investment to \$ 101,512,967.70.

Amster Limited Partnership bought an additional 700 common shares with working capital without borrowing. The total consideration for the purchase is \$ 22,399.50 bringing Amster Limited Partnership's total investment to \$ 87,180.00. Amster Trading Company Charitable Remainder Unitrusts sold 275,000 common shares reducing Amster Trading Company Charitable Remainder Unitrusts' total investment to \$ 30,775,524.97.

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Ramat Securities Ltd. sold 178,900 common shares reducing Ramat Securities Ltd. total investment to \$ 5,386,405.75.

### Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

The following may be deemed to be a group for purposes of investment.

Howard Amster  
Howard Amster 2005 CRUT  
Amster Limited Partnership  
Amster Trading Company  
Amster Trading Company Charitable Remainder Unitrusts  
Samuel J Heller  
Samuel J Heller Irrevocable Trust  
Ramat Securities Ltd.  
Tova Financial, Inc.  
Tova Financial, Inc. Charitable Remainder Unitrust  
ZAK Group, Ltd.  
David Zlatin  
David Zlatin and Gilda Zlatin JTWROS  
Gilda Zlatin

There are no present plans or proposals by this group of record or the beneficial owners as reported in this Schedule 13D second amendment which relates to or would result in the following:

a. The acquisition by any person of additional securities of the issuer, or the disposition of securities of the issuer provided, however, the reporting persons might acquire additional shares or other securities of the issuer or dispose of some or all of their shares depending upon market conditions and their personal circumstances;

### Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

The outstanding common shares of the Issuer is 55,470,607 shares as of October 31, 2006 referenced in the 10-Q for period ending September 30, 2006.

(a)(b) The aggregate amount owned by this Reporting Group is 2,966,156 shares or 5.34 % of the outstanding shares.

Howard Amster in his name and individual retirement accounts owns 2,069,271 shares or 3.73 % of the common outstanding shares.

Howard M Amster 2005 Charitable Remainder Unitrust owns 131,394 shares or 0.24 % of the common outstanding shares.

Amster Ltd. Partnership owns 1,800 common shares or 0.00 % of the common outstanding shares

Amster Trading Company Charitable Remainder Unitrusts own 615,560 shares or 1.11 % of the common outstanding shares.

Samuel J Heller Irrevocable trust owns 2,675 shares

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or 0.00 % of the common outstanding shares.

Ramat Securities Ltd. owns 132,431 common shares or 0.24 % of the common outstanding shares.

Tova Financial, Inc. owns 3,100 common shares or 0.01 % of the common outstanding shares.

Tova Financial, Inc. Charitable Remainder Unitrust owns 5,800 common shares or 0.01 % of the common outstanding shares.

ZAK Group LLC owns 2,100 common shares or 0.0 % of the common outstanding shares.

David Zlatin owns 1,551 common shares or 0.0 % of the common outstanding shares.

David Zlatin and Gilda Zlatin own 100 common shares or 0.0% of the common outstanding shares.

Gilda Zlatin owns 374 common shares or 0.0 % of the common outstanding shares.

### c) Description of Transactions

All transactions were executed on a listed stock exchange as an open market transaction with Bear, Stearns Securities Corp. as executing broker.

#### Bought

| Identity                   | Date     | Shares | Price |
|----------------------------|----------|--------|-------|
| Amster Limited Partnership | 12/28/06 | 700    | 31.95 |

#### Sold

|   |          |         |       |  |
|---|----------|---------|-------|--|
| Howard Amster   | 11/20/06 | 22,500  | 36.77 |  |
| Amster Trading Company                                | 11/20/06 | 57,500  | 36.77 |  |
|   | 11/21/06 | 121,200 | 36.65 |  |
|   | 11/22/06 | 31,200  | 36.68 |  |
| Amster Trading Company Charitable Remainder Unitrusts | 11/28/06 | 50,000  | 36.00 |  |
|   | 11/29/06 | 100,000 | 36.00 |  |
|   | 11/30/06 | 125,000 | 36.03 |  |
| Pleasant Lake Apts. Ltd. Partnership                  | 11/22/06 | 26,000  | 36.68 |  |
| Ramat Securities Ltd.                                 | 02/13/07 | 8,800   | 17.01 |  |
|   | 02/13/07 | 140,100 | 17.44 |  |
|   | 02/14/07 | 100     | 19.71 |  |
|   | 02/14/07 | 29,900  | 19.65 |  |

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Signature            After reasonable inquiry and to the best of our knowledge  
                         and belief, we certify that the information set forth in this  
                         statement is true, complete and correct.

Date:                February 15, 2007

/s/  
Howard Amster

/s/  
Howard M Amster 2005 Charitable Remainder Unitrust  
By:            Howard Amster  
Title:        Trustee

/s/  
Amster Limited Partnership  
By:            Howard Amster  
Title:        General Partner

/s/  
Amster Trading Company  
By:            Howard Amster  
Title:        President

/s/  
Amster Trading Company Charitable Remainder Unitrusts  
By:            Howard Amster  
Title:        Trustee

/s/  
Samuel J Heller

/s/  
Samuel J Heller Irrevocable Trust  
By:            Howard Amster  
Title:        Trustee

/s/  
Ramat Securities Ltd.  
By:            David Zlatin  
Title:        Principal

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/s/

Tova Financial, Inc.

By: David Zlatin

Title: President

/s/

Tova Financial , Inc. Charitable Remainder Unitrust

By: David Zlatin & Gilda Zlatin

Title: Co-trustees

/s/

Zak Group LLC

By: David Zlatin

Title: Member

/s/

David Zlatin

/s/

David Zlatin and Gilda Zlatin JTWROS

/s/

Gilda Zlatin