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February 06, 2004

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. 15)*

HAEMONETICS CORPORATION

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01

(Title of Class of Securities)

405024100

(CUSIP Number)

Marc T. Scholvinck
Blum Capital Partners, L.P.
909 Montgomery Street, Suite 400
San Francisco, CA 94133
(415) 434-1111

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

January 29, 2004

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(b)(3) or (4), check the following box [] .

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

BLUM CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.P.

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

94-3205364

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2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) [x]
(b) [x]

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. SOURCE OF FUNDS* See Item 3

5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) []

6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION California

7. SOLE VOTING POWER -0-

NUMBER OF SHARES 8. SHARED VOTING POWER 1,166,800**

BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH PERSON WITH 9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER -0-

10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 1,166,800**

11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 1,166,800**

12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES
CERTAIN SHARES []

13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 4.8%**

14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON PN, IA

** See Item 5 below

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON RICHARD C. BLUM & ASSOCIATES, INC.

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON 94-2967812

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) [x]
(b) [x]

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PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) []

6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION California

7. SOLE VOTING POWER -0-

NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY EACH
PERSON WITH

8. SHARED VOTING POWER 1,166,800**

9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER -0-

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14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON CO

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON BLUM STRATEGIC GP, L.L.C.

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON 94-3303831

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) [x]
(b) [x]

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. SOURCE OF FUNDS* See Item 3

5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) []

6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Delaware

7. SOLE VOTING POWER -0-

NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY

8. SHARED VOTING POWER 1,166,800**

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OWNED BY EACH PERSON WITH -----
 9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER -0-

 10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 1,166,800**

 11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 1,166,800**

 12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES []

 13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 4.8%**

 14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON OO (Limited Liability Company)

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 1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON RICHARD C. BLUM
 S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON+

 2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) [x]
 (b) [x]

 3. SEC USE ONLY

 4. SOURCE OF FUNDS* See Item 3

 5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) []

 6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION U.S.A.

 7. SOLE VOTING POWER -0-

 NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH PERSON WITH
 8. SHARED VOTING POWER 1,166,800**

 9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER -0-

 10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 1,166,800**

 11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 1,166,800**

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CERTAIN SHARES

[]

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This Amendment No. 15 amends the Statement on Schedule 13D (the "Schedule 13D") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on August 20, 2003, by Blum Capital Partners, L.P., a California limited partnership ("Blum L.P."); Richard C. Blum & Associates, Inc., a California corporation ("RCBA Inc."); Blum Strategic GP, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("Blum GP"); Blum Strategic Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("Blum Strategic"); and Richard C. Blum, the Chairman and a substantial shareholder of RCBA Inc. and a managing member of Blum GP (collectively, the "Reporting Persons"). This amendment to the Schedule 13D relates to the shares of Common Stock, \$0.01 par value (the "Common Stock") of Haemonetics Corporation, a Massachusetts corporation (the "Issuer"). The principal executive office and mailing address of the Issuer is 400 Wood Road, Braintree, MA 02184. The following amendments to the Schedule 13D are hereby made. Unless otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Schedule 13D.

Item 2. Identity and Background

 Item 2 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended as follows:

Since the filing of Amendment No. 14 to Schedule 13D, there have been changes to the executive officers and directors of Blum L.P. and RCBA Inc.

The principal business office address of Blum L.P. and RCBA Inc. is 909 Montgomery Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, California 94133. The names of the executive officers and directors of Blum L.P. and RCBA Inc., their addresses, citizenship and principal occupations are as follows:

Name and Office Held	Business Address	Citizen-ship	Principal Occupation or Employment
Richard C. Blum President & Chairman	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	President & Chairman, Blum L.P.
Nils Colin Lind Managing Partner & Director	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	Norway	Managing Partner, Blum L.P.
John C. Walker Partner	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	Partner, Blum L.P.

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Jose S. Medeiros Partner	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	Brazil	Partner, Blum L.P.
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Kerry L. Nelson Partner	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	Partner, Blum L.P.
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Name and Office Held	Business Address	Citizen- ship	Principal Occupation or Employment
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Gregory L. Jackson Partner	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	Partner, Blum L.P.
Jeffrey A. Cozad Partner	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	Partner, Blum L.P.
Marc T. Scholvinck Partner, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant Secretary & Director	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	Partner & Chief Financial Officer, Blum L.P.

Since the filing of Amendment No. 14 to Schedule 13D, there have been changes to the members of Blum GP.

The principal business office address of Blum GP is 909 Montgomery Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, CA 94133. The names of the managing members and members of Blum GP, their addresses, citizenship and principal occupations are as follows:

Name and Office Held	Business Address	Citizen- ship	Principal Occupation or Employment
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Richard C. Blum Managing Member	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	President & Chairman, Blum L.P.
Nils Colin Lind Managing Member	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	Norway	Managing Partner, Blum L.P.
John C. Walker Member	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	Partner, Blum L.P.
Jose S. Medeiros Member	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	Brazil	Partner, Blum L.P.
Kerry L. Nelson Member	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400	USA	Partner, Blum L.P.

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Name and Office Held	Business Address	Citizen-ship	Principal Occupation or Employment
Jeff A. Cozad Member	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	Partner, Blum L.P.
Marc T. Scholvinck Member	909 Montgomery St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94133	USA	Partner & Chief Financial Officer, Blum L.P.

To the best knowledge of the Reporting Persons, none of the entities or persons identified in this Item 2 has, during the past five years, been convicted of any criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors), nor been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

Item 5 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended as follows:

(a), (b) According to the Issuer's most recent Form 10-K, there were 24,213,005 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding as of September 27, 2003. Based on such information, after taking into account the transactions described in Item 5(c) below, the Reporting Persons report beneficial ownership of the following shares of Common Stock: (i) 160,800 shares of Common Stock held by Blum L.P. and RCBA Inc. on behalf of the limited partnerships for which Blum L.P. serves as the general partner, or on behalf of an entity for which Blum L.P. serves as investment advisor, which represents .7% of the outstanding shares of the Common Stock; and (ii) 1,006,000 shares of Common Stock held by Blum GP on behalf of the limited partnership for which it serves as the general partner, which represents 4.1% of the outstanding shares of the Common Stock. Voting and investment power concerning the above shares are held solely by Blum L.P. and Blum GP. The Reporting Persons therefore may be deemed to be members in a group, in which case the group would be deemed to have beneficial ownership of an aggregate of 1,166,800 shares of the Common Stock, which is 4.8% of the outstanding Common Stock. As the sole general partner of Blum L.P., RCBA Inc. is deemed the beneficial owner of the securities over which Blum L.P. has voting and investment power. As Chairman,

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director and a substantial shareholder of RCBA Inc., Richard C. Blum might be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the securities beneficially owned by RCBA Inc. Additionally, Mr. Blum may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the securities over which Blum GP has voting and investment power. Although Mr. Blum is joining in this Schedule as a Reporting Person, the filing of this

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Schedule shall not be construed as an admission that he, or any of the other shareholders, directors or executive officers of RCBA Inc., managing members and members of Blum GP, is, for any purpose, the beneficial owner of any of the securities that are beneficially owned by RCBA Inc. or Blum GP.

c) During the last 60 days, the Reporting Persons sold the following shares of Common Stock in the open market:

Entity	Trade Date	Shares	Price/Share
Investment partnerships for which Blum L.P. serves as the general partner and on behalf of an entity for which Blum L.P. serves as investment advisor.	12/19/03	12,900	23.3777
	12/22/03	7,700	23.2734
	12/23/03	3,400	23.4139
	01/29/04	6,500	28.5838

Entity	Trade Date	Shares	Price/Share
The limited partnership for which Blum GP serves as the general partner.	12/19/03	80,900	23.3777
	12/22/03	48,500	23.2734
	12/23/03	21,600	23.4139
	01/29/04	40,500	28.5838

(d) Not applicable.

(e) As of January 29, 2004, the Reporting Persons ceased to be beneficial owners of more than five percent of the Common Stock.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits

Exhibit A Joint Filing Undertaking.

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SIGNATURES

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

Dated: February 6, 2004

RICHARD C. BLUM & ASSOCIATES, INC.

BLUM CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Richard C. Blum & Associates, Inc.
its general partner

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

Marc T. Scholvinck
Partner, Chief Financial Officer
and Assistant Secretary

Marc T. Scholvinck
Partner, Chief Financial Officer
and Assistant Secretary

BLUM STRATEGIC GP, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

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Marc T. Scholvinck, Member

RICHARD C. BLUM

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

Marc T. Scholvinck, Attorney-in-Fact

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Exhibit A
JOINT FILING UNDERTAKING

The undersigned, being duly authorized thereunto, hereby execute this agreement as an exhibit to this Schedule 13D to evidence the agreement of the below-named parties, in accordance with the rules promulgated pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, to file this Schedule jointly on behalf of each such party.

Dated: February 6, 2004

RICHARD C. BLUM & ASSOCIATES, INC.

BLUM CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Richard C. Blum & Associates, Inc.
its general partner

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

Marc T. Scholvinck
Partner, Chief Financial Officer
and Assistant Secretary

Marc T. Scholvinck
Partner, Chief Financial Officer
and Assistant Secretary

BLUM STRATEGIC GP, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

Marc T. Scholvinck, Member

RICHARD C. BLUM

By: /s/ Marc T. Scholvinck

Marc T. Scholvinck, Attorney-in-Fact