HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA INC

Form 4

August 18, 2005

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

OMB Number:

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

FULLER LYNN B

Common

Stock

08/17/2005

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

]	INC [HTLF]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1398 CENTRAL AVE.			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/17/2005					_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO			
DUBUQUI	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
_							Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock								40,000 (6)	D		
Common Stock	08/17/2005			P	1,000	A	\$ 19.75	498,389	I	As Trustee (2)	
Common Stock								21,000	I	Partnership	
Common Stock								6,000 (1)	I	By Spouse	

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By Son

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Common Stock	116,772 (1)	I	As Trustee (3)
Common Stock	505.43 (1) (5)	I	Minor Son
Common Stock	2,593.061 (5)	I	IRA

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.67					<u>(4)</u>	06/01/2011	Common Stock	15,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.8					<u>(4)</u>	01/15/2012	Common Stock	8,250
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.84					<u>(4)</u>	01/21/2013	Common Stock	15,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right To Buy)	\$ 19.48					<u>(4)</u>	01/20/2014	Common Stock	15,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21					<u>(4)</u>	02/10/2015	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FULLER LYNN B

1398 CENTRAL AVE. X President & CEO

DUBUQUE, IA 52001

Signatures

/s/ Lynn B. 08/18/2005 Fuller

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed to be an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.
- (2) Shares held by Lynn B. Fuller Trust Under Agreement dated 5-7-96, Lynn B. Fuller Trustee
- (3) Shares held by the Emma O. Fuller Trust dated 9-3-85 Dubuque Bank & Trust, L.S. Fuller & L.B. Fuller, co-trustees
- (4) Represents options to buy granted under the Company's Stock Option Plan, a Rule 16(b)(3) plan, which options vest one-third per year beginning on the 3rd anniversary of date of grant.
- (5) These shares participate in a Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (6) Includes 40,000 Restricted Stock Awards granted under the 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan.

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