

FIRST BUSEY CORP /NV/
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SCHARLAU EDWIN A II

(Last) (First) (Middle)
301 SHERWIN DR.

(Street)

URBANA, IL 61801

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FIRST BUSEY CORP /NV/ [BUSE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/14/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Chmn - Busey Investment Group

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common	12/08/2004	12/08/2004	M	11,250	A \$ 13.38	467,035	D
Common						36,550.4307	I ESOP Plan
Common						17,291.316	I 401(k) / Profit Sharing Plan
Common						81,504	I Spouse

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title or Nu of 3
Stock Option	\$ 19.59	09/14/2004		A	23,000	09/14/2007 09/14/2009	Common 23
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.38	12/08/2004		M	11,250	01/16/2001 12/15/2004	Common 11
Employee Stock Option	\$ 14.56					04/16/2005 12/16/2010	Common 30
Employee Stock Option	\$ 11.92					01/15/2002 12/15/2005	Common 11

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHARLAU EDWIN A II 301 SHERWIN DR. URBANA, IL 61801			Chmn - Busey Investment Group	

Signatures

Nicole M. Warren
- POA
12/09/2004

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
- Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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