

Saylor Kurt
Form 4
September 25, 2018

FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Saylor Kurt

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA
INC [HTLF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1398 CENTRAL AVE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/24/2018

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

DUBUQUE, IA 52001

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock						54,863	I	Wife's Trust ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	09/24/2018		S		1,450 ⁽²⁾	D \$ 60.7198	53,413	I	Wife's Trust ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock						0	D		
Common Stock						137,768	I	Trust ⁽³⁾	
Common Stock	09/24/2018		S		3,550 ⁽²⁾	D \$ 60.7198	134,218	I	Trust ⁽³⁾

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
2018 Director Restricted Stock Units (retainer)	(4)							(5)	(5)	Common Stock	460	(6)
2018 Director Restricted Stock Units	(4)							(5)	(5)	Common Stock	1,235	
2017 Director Restricted Stock Unit	(4)							(5)	(5)	Common Stock	1,035	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Saylor Kurt 1398 CENTRAL AVE DUBUQUE, IA 52001	X			

Signatures

/s/ Kurt Saylor

09/25/2018

__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).
- (1) These shares are held by Melissa J. Saylor Trust dated 1-6-1998 for which Reporting Person's wife acts as trustee.
- (2) Shares sold pursuant to 10b5-1 Plan effective September 10, 2018
- (3) These shares are held by Kurt M. Saylor Trust dated 1-6-1998 for which Reporting Person acts as trustee.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's common stock.
- (5) These restricted stock units are granted under the 2012 Long-term Incentive Plan and are subject to a one (1) year vesting schedule.
- (6) HTLF Directors may elect RSUs or cash for the retainer portion of their Director Compensation

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