

FIRST BUSEY CORP /NV/

Form 4

December 10, 2004

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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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
X Officer (give title _____ Other (specify
below) below)

Chmn - Busey Investment Group

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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	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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares of Underlying Security
Stock Option	\$ 19.59	09/14/2004		A	23,000	09/14/2007	Common	23,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.38	12/08/2004		M	11,250	01/16/2001	Common	11,250
Employee Stock Option	\$ 14.56					04/16/2005	Common	30,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 11.92					01/15/2002	Common	11,250

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).

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