

FBL FINANCIAL GROUP INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**PAULE JOHN**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 5400 UNIVERSITY AVENUE  
 (Street)

WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**FBL FINANCIAL GROUP INC [FFG]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/17/2005

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)  
 Chief Marketing Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Class A Common Stock	01/17/2005		A		2,846 A \$ 0 6,493	D	
Class A Common Stock					4,415.365	I	by Trust

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)
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.35	01/17/2005		A	4,703	01/17/2006 <sup>(1)</sup> 01/17/2015	Class A Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.35	01/17/2005		A	3,932	01/17/2006 <sup>(1)</sup> 01/17/2015	Class A Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PAULE JOHN 5400 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266			Chief Marketing Officer	

## Signatures

By: Robert Simons, per filed confirming stmt For: John M Paule 01/19/2005

\_\_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) Shares become exercisable annually, beginning one year from the date of grant, pro-rata during a five year period, subject to compliance with annual dollar limits for incentive stock option grants.

### Remarks:

Reporting person holds 4,415.365 shares in a company sponsored 401(k) Plan. Ownership form is indirect and the nature of the

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