

Sheeley Michael J.  
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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 \*  
Sheeley Michael J.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
UNITED FIRE GROUP INC  
[UFCS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
118 SECOND AVENUE SE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/15/2013

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP/COO - United Life Ins. Co.

CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407-3909  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
							\$
Common Stock	02/15/2013		A <sup>(1)</sup>		1,034	A	23.96 <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock					1,367	I	

By Issuer's Employee Stock Ownership Plan for self

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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. I. Der. Sec. (Instr. 3)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.96 <u>(4)</u>	02/15/2013		A	3,626	<u>(5)</u>	02/15/2023	Common	3,626
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.93					<u>(6)</u>	02/24/2022	Common	2,500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.54					<u>(7)</u>	02/18/2021	Common	1,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.89					<u>(8)</u>	02/19/2020	Common	750
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.14					<u>(9)</u>	05/20/2019	Common	1,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.39					<u>(10)</u>	02/15/2018	Common	1,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.23					<u>(10)</u>	02/16/2017	Common	1,000



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**(10)** All options currently exercisable.

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