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Return of Private Foundation
or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust
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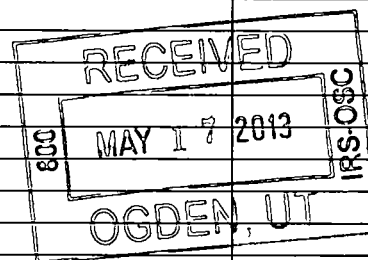
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For calendar year 2012 or tax year beginning

, and ending

Name of foundation LEON AND MARY STRAUSS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION		A Employer identification number 37-6448116
Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address) 17 WESTMORELAND PLACE	Room/suite	B Telephone number (314) 367-7208
City or town, state, and ZIP code ST. LOUIS, MO 63108		C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/>
G Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Name change		D 1. Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/>
H Check type of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation		E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) \$ 2,033,600.	J Accounting method: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____	F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a).)		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received		310,000.		N/A	
2 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments					
4 Dividends and interest from securities		58,992.	58,992.		STATEMENT 1
5a Gross rents					
b Net rental income or (loss)					
6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10		36,323.			
b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a	777,394.				
7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)			36,323.		
8 Net short-term capital gain					
9 Income modifications					
10a Gross sales less returns and allowances					
b Less Cost of goods sold					
c Gross profit or (loss)					
11 Other income		1,598.	1,598.		STATEMENT 2
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11		406,913.	96,913.		
13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.		0.	0.		0.
14 Other employee salaries and wages					
15 Pension plans, employee benefits					
16a Legal fees					
b Accounting fees	STMT 3	2,565.	0.		0.
c Other professional fees					
17 Interest					
18 Taxes	STMT 4	1,176.	0.		0.
19 Depreciation and depletion					
20 Occupancy					
21 Travel, conferences, and meetings					
22 Printing and publications					
23 Other expenses	STMT 5	10,333.	10,333.		0.
24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23		14,074.	10,333.		0.
25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid		93,200.			93,200.
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25		107,274.	10,333.		93,200.
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements		299,639.			
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)			86,580.		
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)				N/A	



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Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value		
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing			528,153.	255,834.	255,834.
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments					
	3 Accounts receivable ▶					
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶					
	4 Pledges receivable ▶					
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶					
	5 Grants receivable					
	6 Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons					
	7 Other notes and loans receivable ▶					
	Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶					
	8 Inventories for sale or use					
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges					
	10a Investments - U.S. and state government obligations					
	b Investments - corporate stock	STMT 6	1,046,983.	1,618,941.	1,777,766.	
	c Investments - corporate bonds					
Liabilities	11 Investments - land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶					
	Less: accumulated depreciation ▶					
	12 Investments - mortgage loans					
	13 Investments - other					
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment: basis ▶					
	Less: accumulated depreciation ▶					
	15 Other assets (describe ▶)					
	16 Total assets (to be completed by all filers)		1,575,136.	1,874,775.	2,033,600.	
	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses					
	18 Grants payable					
19 Deferred revenue						
20 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons						
21 Mortgages and other notes payable						
22 Other liabilities (describe ▶)						
23 Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)		0.	0.			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>					
	24 Unrestricted					
	25 Temporarily restricted					
	26 Permanently restricted					
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		1,575,136.	1,874,775.		
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg., and equipment fund		0.	0.		
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds		0.	0.		
30 Total net assets or fund balances		1,575,136.	1,874,775.			
31 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		1,575,136.	1,874,775.			

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1 Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	1,575,136.
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	299,639.
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	0.
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	1,874,775.
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	0.
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6	1,874,775.

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(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse; or common stock, 200 shs. MLC Co.)	(b) How acquired P - Purchase D - Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
1a WILLIAM BLAIR & CO - SEE ATTACHED	P	01/01/10	12/31/12
b WILLIAM BLAIR & CO - SEE ATTACHED	P	01/01/12	12/31/12
c CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS			
d			
e			

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a 507,140.		513,358.	<6,218.>
b 269,083.		227,713.	41,370.
c 1,171.			1,171.
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69

(i) F.M.V. as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col. (i) over col. (j), if any	(l) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col. (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))
a			<6,218.>
b			41,370.
c			1,171.
d			
e			

2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	<div> <div>If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7</div> <div>If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7</div> </div>	2	36,323.
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6): If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8	<div> <div>If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7</div> <div>If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7</div> </div>	3	N/A

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income.)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank.

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part.

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year; see the instructions before making any entries.

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col. (b) divided by col. (c))
2011	64,432.	1,209,964.	.053251
2010	49,651.	1,030,679.	.048173
2009	0.	491,904.	.000000
2008			
2007			

2 Total of line 1, column (d)	2	.101424
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period - divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	.033808
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2012 from Part X, line 5	4	1,722,945.
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	58,249.
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	866.
7 Add lines 5 and 6	7	59,115.
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate. See the Part VI instructions.	8	93,200.

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Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 - see instructions)

1a Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1. Date of ruling or determination letter: _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary-see instructions)			
b Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b		1	866.
c All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b).			
2 Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		2	0.
3 Add lines 1 and 2		3	866.
4 Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		4	0.
5 Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-		5	866.
6 Credits/Payments:			
a 2012 estimated tax payments and 2011 overpayment credited to 2012	6a	600.	
b Exempt foreign organizations - tax withheld at source	6b		
c Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c		
d Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d		
7 Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7	600.	
8 Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached	8		
9 Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9	266.	
10 Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10		
11 Enter the amount of line 10 to be: Credited to 2013 estimated tax <input type="checkbox"/> Refunded <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	11		

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		X
b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see instructions for definition)? If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities.		X
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation. <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 0. (2) On foundation managers. <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 0.		
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers. <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 0.		
2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.		X
3 Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
4a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T		X
6 Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either: • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?		X
7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? If "Yes," complete Part II, col. (c), and Part XV	X	
8a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) <input type="checkbox"/> NONE		
b If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation		X
9 Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2012 or the taxable year beginning in 2012 (see instructions for Part XIV)? If "Yes," complete Part XIV		X
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses	X	

N/A

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11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions)	11		X
12	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	12		X
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address N/A	13	X	
14	The books are in care of MARY STRAUSS Telephone no. (314) 367-7208 Located at 17 WESTMORELAND PLACE, ST. LOUIS, MO ZIP+4 63108			
15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	15	N/A	
16	At any time during calendar year 2012, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1. If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country	16	Yes	No X

Part II Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

	Yes	No
1a During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly):		
(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here	N/A	1b
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2012?		1c
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)):		
a At the end of tax year 2012, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2012? If "Yes," list the years	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement - see instructions.)	N/A	2b
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here.		
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2012 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969; (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest; or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2012.)	N/A	3b
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?		4a
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2012?		4b

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Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

5a During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to:

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955); or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3), or section 4940(d)(2)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)?

N/A

Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here

☒

c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant?

N/A

☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d).

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?

If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870

☐ Yes ☒ No

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?

☐ Yes ☒ No

b If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?

N/A

Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation.

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
MARY STRAUSS 17 WESTMORELAND PLACE ST. LOUIS, MO 63108	TRUSTEE 1.00	0.	0.	0.

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000

0

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1 Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes:		
a Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	1,680,839.
b Average of monthly cash balances	1b	68,344.
c Fair market value of all other assets	1c	
d Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	1,749,183.
e Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	0.
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	0.
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	1,749,183.
4 Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	26,238.
5 Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	1,722,945.
6 Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	86,147.

Part XI Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here ☐ and do not complete this part.)

1 Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	86,147.
2a Tax on investment income for 2012 from Part VI, line 5	2a	866.
b Income tax for 2012. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	2b	
c Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	866.
3 Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	85,281.
4 Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	0.
5 Add lines 3 and 4	5	85,281.
6 Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	6	0.
7 Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	85,281.

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1 Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes:		
a Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. - total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	93,200.
b Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	1b	0.
2 Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	
3 Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:		
a Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	
b Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	
4 Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	93,200.
5 Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	5	866.
6 Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	92,334.

Note. The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

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Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2011	(c) 2011	(d) 2012
1 Distributable amount for 2012 from Part XI, line 7				85,281.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2012				
a Enter amount for 2011 only			0.	
b Total for prior years:		0.		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2012:				
a From 2007				
b From 2008				
c From 2009				
d From 2010				
e From 2011	633.			
f Total of lines 3a through e	633.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2012 from Part XII, line 4: ► \$ 93,200.				
a Applied to 2011, but not more than line 2a			0.	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see instructions)		0.		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see instructions)	0.			
d Applied to 2012 distributable amount				85,281.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	7,919.			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2012 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))	0.			0.
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	8,552.			
b Prior years' undistributed income. Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0.		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed		0.		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount - see instructions		0.		
e Undistributed income for 2011. Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount - see instr.			0.	
f Undistributed income for 2012. Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2013				0.
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3)	0.			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2007 not applied on line 5 or line 7	0.			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2013. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	8,552.			
10 Analysis of line 9:				
a Excess from 2008				
b Excess from 2009				
c Excess from 2010				
d Excess from 2011	633.			
e Excess from 2012	7,919.			

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N/A

☐ 4942(i)(3) or ☐ 4942(i)(5)

(4) Gross investment income

(e) Total

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Part VII **Supplementary Information** (continued)

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a Paid during the year				
COCA 524 TRINITY AVENUE ST. LOUIS, MO 63130	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	20,000.
THE ST. LOUIS ART MUSEUM 1 ST. LOUIS, FINE ARTS DRIVE ST. LOUIS, MO 63110	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	1,000.
OPERA THEATRE OF ST. LOUIS 210 HAZEL AVENUE ST. LOUIS, MO 63119	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	5,000.
GRAND CENTER 3526 WASHINGTON AVENUE, 2ND FLOOR ST. LOUIS, MO 63103	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	5,000.
REPERTORY THEATRE OF ST. LOUIS 130 EDGAR ROAD WEBSTER GROVES, MO 63119	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	5,000.
Total			SEE CONTINUATION SHEET(S)	93,200.
b Approved for future payment				
NONE				
Total				0.

Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

[illegible]

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions to verify calculations.)

Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

[illegible]

Part XVII

Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

- | | | | |
|----------|--|--------------|------------|
| 1 | Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations? | | Yes |
| a | Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of: | | |
| | (1) Cash | 1a(1) | |
| | (2) Other assets | 1a(2) | |
| b | Other transactions: | | |
| | (1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization | 1b(1) | |
| | (2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization | 1b(2) | |
| | (3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets | 1b(3) | |
| | (4) Reimbursement arrangements | 1b(4) | |
| | (5) Loans or loan guarantees | 1b(5) | |
| | (6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations | 1b(6) | |
| c | Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees | 1c | |
| d | If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation. If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received. | | |

	Yes	No
1a(1)		X
1a(2)		X
1b(1)		X
1b(2)		X
1b(3)		X
1b(4)		X
1b(5)		X
1b(6)		X
1c		X

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- 2a** Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b** If "Yes," complete the following schedule.

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship
N/A		

**Sign
Here**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instr.)?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Signature of officer or trustee

Date _____

Title

TRUSTEE

**Paid
Preparer
Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name

Preparer's signature

Date _____

Check ☐ if
self-employed

PTIN

MICHAEL EVANS

Michael Evans

5/6/13

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Firm's name ▶ **ANDERS MINKLER HUBER & HELM LLP**

Firm's EIN ► 43-0831507

Firm's address ▶ 705 OLIVE, 10TH FLOOR
ST. LOUIS, MO 63101-2298

Phone no. . (314) 655-5500

Form **990-PF** (2012)

Schedule B
(Form 990, 990-EZ,
or 990-PF)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Schedule of Contributors**

▶ Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.

OMB No 1545-0047

2012

Name of the organization

**LEON AND MARY STRAUSS CHARITABLE
FOUNDATION**

Employer identification number

37-6448116

Organization type (check one)

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

☐ 501(c)() (enter number) organization☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation☐ 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

☒ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundationCheck if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.**Note.** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.**General Rule**

- ☒ For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II.

Special Rules

- ☐ For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- ☐ For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not total to more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year. ▶ \$ _____

Caution. An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on Part I, line 2 of its Form 990-PF, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

LHA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF. Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) (2012)

Name of organization
**LEON AND MARY STRAUSS CHARITABLE
 FOUNDATION**

Employer identification number

37-6448116**Part I****Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
<u>1</u>	<u>MARY B. STRAUSS</u> <u>17 WESTMORELAND PLACE</u> <u>ST. LOUIS, MO 63108</u>	\$ <u>310,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
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Name of organization

Employer identification number

**LEON AND MARY STRAUSS CHARITABLE
FOUNDATION****37-6448116****Part II****Noncash Property** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	

Name of organization

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**LEON AND MARY STRAUSS CHARITABLE
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Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., individual contributions to section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organizations that total more than \$1,000 for the year. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this information once) ► \$

Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee

**LEON AND MARY STRAUSS CHARITABLE
FOUNDATION**

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Supplementary Information

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
MAXX LOUIE PRODUCTIONS 15 TOPTON WAY 1C ST. LOUIS, MO 63105	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	1,000.
SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL 5715 ELIZABETH AVENUE ST. LOUIS, MO 63110	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	1,000.
LAUMEIER SCULPTURE PARK 12580 ROTT ROAD ST. LOUIS, MO 63127	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	1,200.
JAZZ ST. LOUIS 3547 OLIVE STREET, SUITE 260 ST. LOUIS, MO 63103	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	1,000.
NINE NETWORK OF PUBLIC MEDIA 3655 OLIVE STREET ST. LOUIS, MO 63108	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	5,000.
ST. LOUIS BALLET 218 THF BOULEVARD CHESTERFIELD, MO 63005	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	25,000.
DANCE ST. LOUIS 3547 OLIVE STREET, SUITE 300 ST. LOUIS, MO 63103	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	5,000.
SHELDON ART GALLERIES 3648 WASHINGTON BOULEVARD ST. LOUIS, MO 63108	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	2,500.
CIRCUS FLORA 3547 OLIVE STREET, 2ND FLOOR ST. LOUIS, MO 63103	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	1,000.
CIRCUS HARMONY 4120 PARKER ROAD FLORRISANT, MO 63033	N/A	PUBLIC CHARITY	GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES	1,000.
Total from continuation sheets				57,200.

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3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (Continuation)

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FORM 990-PF	DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST FROM SECURITIES	STATEMENT	1
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SOURCE	GROSS AMOUNT	CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS	COLUMN (A) AMOUNT
WILLIAM BLAIR & CO. LLC	60,163.	1,171.	58,992.
TOTAL TO FM 990-PF, PART I, LN 4	60,163.	1,171.	58,992.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER INCOME	STATEMENT	2
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DESCRIPTION	(A) REVENUE PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME
OTHER INCOME	1,598.	1,598.	
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART I, LINE 11	1,598.	1,598.	

FORM 990-PF	ACCOUNTING FEES	STATEMENT	3
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DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
	2,565.	0.		0.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 16B	2,565.	0.		0.

FORM 990-PF	TAXES	STATEMENT	4
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DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
EXCISE TAX ON INVESTMENT INCOME	576.	0.		0.
ESTIMATED EXCISE TAXES PAID	600.	0.		0.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 18	1,176.	0.		0.

FORM 990-PF	OTHER EXPENSES	STATEMENT	5
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DESCRIPTION	(A) EXPENSES PER BOOKS	(B) NET INVEST- MENT INCOME	(C) ADJUSTED NET INCOME	(D) CHARITABLE PURPOSES
INVESTMENT FEES	9,801.	9,801.		0.
FOREIGN TAX WITHHOLDING	532.	532.		0.
TO FORM 990-PF, PG 1, LN 23	10,333.	10,333.		0.

FORM 990-PF	CORPORATE STOCK	STATEMENT	6
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DESCRIPTION	BOOK VALUE	FAIR MARKET VALUE
SECURITIES	1,618,941.	1,777,766.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-PF, PART II, LINE 10B	1,618,941.	1,777,766.

FORM 990-PF	LIST OF SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTORS PART VII-A, LINE 10	STATEMENT	7
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NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR	ADDRESS
MARY STRAUSS	17 WESTMORELAND PLACE ST. LOUIS, MO 63108

William Blair & Company, L.L.C.
LEON & MARY STRAUSS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION
REALIZED GAINS AND LOSSES

452-28/03-18 RR# 590

From 12-31-11 Through 12-31-12

Open Date	Close Date	Quantity	Security	Unit Cost	Cost Basis	Amort. or Accretion	Unit Price	Proceeds	Gain Or Loss	
									Short Term	Long Term
03-24-11	02-02-12	750	***TYCO INTERNATIONAL LTD	44 79	33,599		50 51	37,889	4,289.76	
01-26-11	02-06-12	1,500	***NIELSEN HOLDINGS N V US LISTED	24 82	37,236		28 92	43,380		6,143 31
05-11-11	02-24-12	750	JOHNSON & JOHNSON	66 40	49,801		64 24	48,186	-1,614 64	
06-14-10	03-08-12	750	CARMAX INC	21 07	15,804		33 50	25,128		9,324 36
08-30-11	03-21-12	500	PFIZER INC	18 84	9,422		21 73	10,869	1,447 00	
12-24-09	03-21-12	253 807	**EURO PAC GROWTH FUND CL F1	38 22	9,703		39 40	10,000		296 96
01-24-12	04-20-12	500	MERCK & CO INC NEW	39 09	19,547		38 65	19,329	-217 39	
12-24-09	04-20-12	350	SELECT SCTOR SPDR TR	31 49	11,024		34 95	12,235		1,210 78
09-09-10	04-20-12	150	SBI UTILS SELECT INDE	31 71	4,756		34 95	5,243	487 22	
12-24-09	04-20-12	1,990 446	**HARBOR BOND FUND INSTITUTIONAL	12 15	24,183		12 55	25,000		816 07
02-28-12	04-25-12	1,000	EATON CORP	52 49	52,495		49 01	49,010	-3,484 53	
12-24-09	04-30-12	200	STERICYCLE INC	55 86	11,173		86 49	17,299		6,125 63
06-18-10	04-30-12	200	STERICYCLE INC	65 84	13,169		86 49	17,299		4,129 63
09-09-10	04-30-12	100	STERICYCLE INC	68 56	6,856		86 49	8,649		1,792 82
01-11-12	07-13-12	150	DEERE & CO	84 44	12,667		77 24	11,587	-1,079 88	
04-25-12	07-13-12	400	WYNN RESORTS LTD	126 51	50,604		95 64	38,259	-12,344 82	
01-11-12	07-17-12	350	DEERE & CO	84 44	29,556		74 93	26,228	-3,328 25	
02-21-12	07-17-12	150	DEERE & CO	84 47	12,671		74 93	11,240	-1,431 24	
07-13-12	08-21-12	500	ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC CL A	51 74	25,874		60 34	30,170	4,296 32	
07-13-12	09-11-12	500	ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC CL A	51 74	25,874		60 18	30,092	4,218 02	
06-14-10	09-20-12	500	CARMAX INC	21 07	10,536		29 63	14,817		4,281 81
08-10-11	09-20-12	250	CARMAX INC	26 38	6,595		29 63	7,408		813 66
12-24-09	09-20-12	150	UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP	70 53	10,580		80 51	12,077		1,496 96
03-29-10	09-20-12	250	UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP	73 97	18,494		80 51	20,129		1,634 94
12-31-10	10-03-12	100	COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP-NEW	72 32	7,232		99 72	9,972		2,739 77

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William Blair & Company, L.L.C.
LEON & MARY STRAUSS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION
REALIZED GAINS AND LOSSES

452-28103-18 RR#: 590

From 12-31-11 Through 12-31-12

Open Date	Close Date	Quantity	Security	Unit Cost	Cost Basis	Amort. or Accretion	Unit Price	Proceeds	Gain Or Loss	
									Short Term	Long Term
12-24-09	11-06-12	500	VANGUARD INTERNATIONAL EQUITY INDEX FUNDS	40 76	20,380		42 29	21,147		767 67
12-31-10	11-06-12	250	VANGUARD INTERNATIONAL EQUITY INDEX FUNDS	48 17	12,044		42 29	10,573		-1,471 14
01-19-12	11-06-12	250	VANGUARD INTERNATIONAL EQUITY INDEX FUNDS	41 78	10,445		42 29	10,573	128 84	
12-30-11	11-07-12	1,500	AT&T INC	30 35	45,525		33 72	50,593	5,068 86	
09-09-10	11-07-12	250	SELECT SCTOR SPDR TR SBI UTILS SELECT INDE	31 71	7,927		34 83	8,707		779 75
03-09-12	11-07-12	250	SELECT SCTOR SPDR TR SBI UTILS SELECT INDE	35 24	8,812		34 83	8,707	-104 93	
02-02-12	12-03-12	700	STARWOOD HOTELS & RESORTS WORLDWIDE INC NE	53 50	37,451		53 21	37,247	-204 12	
03-09-12	12-03-12	800	STARWOOD HOTELS & RESORTS WORLDWIDE INC NE	55 19	44,157		53 21	42,568	-1,588 95	
08-16-12	12-12-12	500	FEDEX CORP	89 72	44,861		89 18	44,593	-268 15	
TOTAL GAINS									19,448 80	42,841 36
TOTAL LOSSES									-25,666 90	-1,471 14
TOTAL REALIZED GAIN/LOSS		35,152			741,071	0		776,223	-6,218.10	41,370.22

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