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Form **990-PF**

# Return of Private Foundation

## or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation

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Internal Revenue Service

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For calendar year 2014 or tax year beginning

, and ending

Name of foundation <b>WHEELER FOUNDATION</b>		A Employer identification number <b>61-1445596</b>
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) <b>112 N VERMILION STREET</b>		B Telephone number (see instructions) <b>217-397-2685</b>
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>DANVILLE IL 61832</b>		C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/>
G Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return of a former public charity <input type="checkbox"/> Final return <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change		D 1. Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/>
H Check type of organization: <input type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation		D 2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation <input type="checkbox"/>
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) <b>\$ 0</b>	J Accounting method: <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual	E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input type="checkbox"/>
(Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis.)		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) (see instructions) )		(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 (attach schedule)				
2	Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B				
3	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	45,948	45,948		
4	Dividends and interest from securities	36,337	36,337		
5a	Gross rents				
b	Net rental income or (loss)				
6a	Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10 Stmt 1	217,385			
b	Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 2,314,156				
7	Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		0		
8	Net short-term capital gain			0	
9	Income modifications				
10a	Gross sales less returns and allowances				
b	Less Cost of goods sold				
c	Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)				
11	Other income (attach schedule) Stmt 2	463,090			
12	Total. Add lines 1 through 11	762,760	82,285	0	
13	Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0			
14	Other employee salaries and wages				
15	Pension plans, employee benefits				
16a	Legal fees (attach schedule) See Stmt 3	104	104	104	
b	Accounting fees (attach schedule) Stmt 4	600	600	600	
c	Other professional fees (attach schedule) Stmt 5	34,239	34,239	34,239	
17	Interest				
18	Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)				
19	Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion Stmt 6	12,153			
20	Occupancy				
21	Travel, conferences, and meetings				
22	Printing and publications				
23	Other expenses (att sch) Stmt 7	236,514	236,514	236,514	
24	Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	283,610	271,457	271,457	0
25	Contributions, gifts, grants paid	116,052			116,052
26	Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	399,662	271,457	271,457	116,052
27	Subtract line 26 from line 12				
a	Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	363,098			
b	Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		0		
c	Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			0	

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<b>Part II Balance Sheets</b> Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)		Beginning of year	End of year	
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
<b>Assets</b>	1 Cash – non-interest-bearing	226,781	477,693	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	15,000	15,000	
	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 (attach schedule) (see instructions)			
	7 Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ 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 (attach schedule) <b>Stmt 8</b>			
	b Investments – corporate stock (attach schedule) <b>See Stmt 9</b>	3,733,811	3,863,231	
	c Investments – corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11 Investments – land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ Less accumulated depreciation (attach sch) ▶			
	12 Investments – mortgage loans			
	13 Investments – other (attach schedule) <b>See Statement 10</b>	119,104	86,896	
	14 Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ <b>323,642</b> Less accumulated depreciation (attach sch) ▶ <b>Stmt 11 191,781</b>	144,014	131,861	
	15 Other assets (describe ▶ )			
	16 <b>Total assets</b> (to be completed by all filers – see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	4,238,710	4,574,681	0
<b>Liabilities</b>	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 (attach schedule)			
	22 Other liabilities (describe ▶ )			
	23 <b>Total liabilities</b> (add lines 17 through 22)	0	0	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.</b> ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
	24 Unrestricted	4,238,710	4,574,681	
	25 Temporarily restricted			
	26 Permanently restricted			
	<b>Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 27 through 31.</b> ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>			
	27 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	28 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund			
	29 Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
	30 <b>Total net assets or fund balances</b> (see instructions)	4,238,710	4,574,681	
	31 <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b> (see instructions)	4,238,710	4,574,681	

**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	4,238,710
2 Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	363,098
3 Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ <b>See Statement 12</b>	3	
4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	4,601,808
5 Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ <b>See Statement 13</b>	5	27,127
6 Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) – Part II, column (b), line 30	6	4,574,681

**Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income**

(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.)
<b>1a FIRST MIDWEST</b>				
<b>b</b>				
<b>c</b>				
<b>d</b>				
<b>e</b>				

  

(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)
<b>a</b>			
<b>b</b>			
<b>c</b>			
<b>d</b>			
<b>e</b>			

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))
<b>a</b>			
<b>b</b>			
<b>c</b>			
<b>d</b>			
<b>e</b>			

  

<b>2</b> Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	<div style="border-left: 1px solid black; border-right: 1px solid black; padding: 0 10px;">           If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7            If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7         </div>	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b> 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) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8	<div style="border-left: 1px solid black; border-right: 1px solid black; padding: 0 10px;">           If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8         </div>	<b>3</b>	

**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))
2013	103,111	3,928,250	0.026249
2012	92,855	3,235,475	0.028699
2011	132,808	385,409	0.344590
2010	36,382	394,613	0.092197
2009	40,061	341,605	0.117273

  

<b>2</b> Total of line 1, column (d)	<b>2</b>	0.609008
<b>3</b> 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	<b>3</b>	0.121802
<b>4</b> Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2014 from Part X, line 5	<b>4</b>	4,237,829
<b>5</b> Multiply line 4 by line 3	<b>5</b>	516,176
<b>6</b> Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b> Add lines 5 and 6	<b>7</b>	516,176
<b>8</b> 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	<b>8</b>	116,052

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

<b>1a</b>	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>b</b>	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	<b>1</b>	
<b>c</b>	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b)		
<b>2</b>	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>3</b>	Add lines 1 and 2	<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b>	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Tax based on investment income.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>6</b>	Credits/Payments:		
<b>a</b>	2014 estimated tax payments and 2013 overpayment credited to 2014	<b>6a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Exempt foreign organizations – tax withheld at source	<b>6b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	<b>6c</b>	
<b>d</b>	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	<b>6d</b>	
<b>7</b>	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b>	Enter any <b>penalty</b> for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b>	<b>Tax due.</b> If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter <b>amount owed</b>	<b>9</b>	
<b>10</b>	<b>Overpayment.</b> If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the <b>amount overpaid</b>	<b>10</b>	
<b>11</b>	Enter the amount of line 10 to be <b>Credited to 2015 estimated tax</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Refunded</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>11</b>	

**Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities**

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b> 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?		<b>X</b>
<b>b</b> Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for the definition)? If the answer is "Yes" to <b>1a</b> or <b>1b</b> , attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities		<b>X</b>
<b>c</b> Did the foundation file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year?		<b>X</b>
<b>d</b> Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year. (1) On the foundation <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____ (2) On foundation managers <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____		
<b>e</b> Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____		
<b>2</b> 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		<b>X</b>
<b>3</b> 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		<b>X</b>
<b>4a</b> Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		<b>X</b>
<b>b</b> If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on <b>Form 990-T</b> for this year?		
<b>5</b> Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T		<b>X</b>
<b>6</b> 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?	<b>X</b>	
<b>7</b> 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	<b>X</b>	
<b>8a</b> Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>IL</b>		
<b>b</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	<b>X</b>	
<b>9</b> 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 2014 or the taxable year beginning in 2014 (see instructions for Part XIV)? If "Yes," complete Part XIV	<b>X</b>	
<b>10</b> Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses		<b>X</b>

N/A

**Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)**

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		<b>X</b>
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		<b>X</b>
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address ► <b>N/A</b>	13	<b>X</b>	
14	The books are in care of ► <b>JOHN R ELLIS</b> <b>701 S GUTHRIE</b> Located at ► <b>RANKIN</b> IL ZIP+4 ► <b>60960</b> Telephone no ►			
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		
16	At any time during calendar year 2014, 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 FinCEN Form 114, (formerly TD F 90-22.1) If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ►	16	Yes	No <b>X</b>

**Part VII-B 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	<b>N/A</b>	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 2014?	<b>N/A</b>	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 2014, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2014? If "Yes," list the years ► 20 , 20 , 20 , 20	<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 )	<b>N/A</b>	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 ► 20 , 20 , 20 , 20		
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 2014 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 2014 )	<b>N/A</b>	3b
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?		<b>X</b>
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 2014?		<b>X</b>

**Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)**

<b>5a</b>	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))?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
	(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955); or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
	(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
	(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>b</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		<b>5b</b>
	Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>c</b>	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 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
	If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d)			
<b>6a</b>	Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>b</b>	Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?			<b>6b</b>
	If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870			<b>X</b>
<b>7a</b>	At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?	N/A		<b>7b</b>

**Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors****1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).**

(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
See Statement 14				

**2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1 – see instructions). 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

**Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors (continued)****3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."**

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶**Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities**

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.

	Expenses
<b>1 IROQUOIS WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT</b>	
	<b>41,483</b>
<b>2 HOOPESTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT</b>	
	<b>39,430</b>
<b>3 UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS</b>	
	<b>20,000</b>
<b>4 ARC OF IROQUOIS COUNTY</b>	
	<b>12,400</b>

**Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)**

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2

	Amount
<b>1 N/A</b>	
<b>2</b>	
All other program-related investments. See instructions.	
<b>3</b>	

Total. Add lines 1 through 3 ▶



**Part X Minimum Investment Return** (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

<b>1</b>	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes		
<b>a</b>	Average monthly fair market value of securities	<b>1a</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>b</b>	Average of monthly cash balances	<b>1b</b>	<b>352,237</b>
<b>c</b>	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions)	<b>1c</b>	<b>3,950,127</b>
<b>d</b>	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, b, and c)	<b>1d</b>	<b>4,302,364</b>
<b>e</b>	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	<b>1e</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>2</b>	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>3</b>	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	<b>3</b>	<b>4,302,364</b>
<b>4</b>	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1½% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	<b>4</b>	<b>64,535</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Net value of noncharitable-use assets.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	<b>5</b>	<b>4,237,829</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Minimum investment return.</b> Enter 5% of line 5	<b>6</b>	<b>211,891</b>

**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.)

<b>1</b>	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	<b>1</b>	
<b>2a</b>	Tax on investment income for 2014 from Part VI, line 5	<b>2a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Income tax for 2014 (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	<b>2b</b>	
<b>c</b>	Add lines 2a and 2b	<b>2c</b>	
<b>3</b>	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b>	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b>	Add lines 3 and 4	<b>5</b>	
<b>6</b>	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions)	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Distributable amount</b> as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	<b>7</b>	

**Part XII Qualifying Distributions** (see instructions)

<b>1</b>	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes		
<b>a</b>	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. – total from Part I, column (d), line 26	<b>1a</b>	<b>116,052</b>
<b>b</b>	Program-related investments – total from Part IX-B	<b>1b</b>	
<b>2</b>	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b>	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the:		
<b>a</b>	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	<b>3a</b>	
<b>b</b>	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	<b>3b</b>	
<b>4</b>	<b>Qualifying distributions.</b> Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	<b>4</b>	<b>116,052</b>
<b>5</b>	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions)	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Adjusted qualifying distributions.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4	<b>6</b>	<b>116,052</b>

**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.

**Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)**

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2013	(c) 2013	(d) 2014
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2014 from Part XI, line 7				
<b>2</b> Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2014				
<b>a</b> Enter amount for 2013 only				
<b>b</b> Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____				
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2014:				
<b>a</b> From 2009				
<b>b</b> From 2010				
<b>c</b> From 2011				
<b>d</b> From 2012				
<b>e</b> From 2013				
<b>f</b> Total of lines 3a through e				
<b>4</b> Qualifying distributions for 2014 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ <u>116,052</u>				
<b>a</b> Applied to 2013, but not more than line 2a				
<b>b</b> Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required – see instructions)				
<b>c</b> Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required – see instructions)				
<b>d</b> Applied to 2014 distributable amount				
<b>e</b> Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	116,052			
<b>5</b> Excess distributions carryover applied to 2014 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a) )				
<b>6</b> Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:	116,052			
<b>a</b> Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5				
<b>b</b> Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b				
<b>c</b> 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				
<b>d</b> Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount – see instructions				
<b>e</b> Undistributed income for 2013 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount – see instructions				
<b>f</b> Undistributed income for 2014 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2015				
<b>7</b> Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required—see instructions)				
<b>8</b> Excess distributions carryover from 2009 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions)				
<b>9</b> Excess distributions carryover to 2015. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a				
<b>10</b> Analysis of line 9:				
<b>a</b> Excess from 2010				
<b>b</b> Excess from 2011				
<b>c</b> Excess from 2012				
<b>d</b> Excess from 2013				
<b>e</b> Excess from 2014				

**Part XIV Private Operating Foundations** (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

**1a** If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2014, enter the date of the ruling N/A

**b** Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section ☒ 4942(j)(3) or ☐ 4942(j)(5)

Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total	
	(a) 2014	(b) 2013	(c) 2012		(d) 2011
<b>2a</b> Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed	0				0
<b>b</b> 85% of line 2a					
<b>c</b> Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed	116,052	103,111	92,855	132,808	444,826
<b>d</b> Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
<b>e</b> Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities Subtract line 2d from line 2c	116,052	103,111	92,855	132,808	444,826
<b>3</b> Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon					
<b>a</b> "Assets" alternative test – enter					
(1) Value of all assets					
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
<b>b</b> "Endowment" alternative test – enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed	141,261	130,942	107,849	12,847	392,899
<b>c</b> "Support" alternative test – enter					
(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii)					
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
(4) Gross investment income					

**Part XV Supplementary Information** (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year – see instructions.)

**1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:**

**a** List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000) (See section 507(d)(2) )  
N/A

**b** List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest.  
N/A

**2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:**

Check here ☐ if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc. (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d.

**a** The name, address, and telephone number or e-mail address of the person to whom applications should be addressed  
N/A

**b** The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include  
N/A

**c** Any submission deadlines  
N/A

**d** Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors  
N/A

**Part XV** 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)				
<b>a</b> Paid during the year <b>See Statement 15</b>				<p style="text-align: right;"><b>116,052</b></p>
<b>Total</b>			<b>▶ 3a</b>	<b>116,052</b>
<b>b</b> Approved for future payment <b>N/A</b>				
<b>Total</b>			<b>▶ 3b</b>	





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Statement 1 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 6a - Sale of Assets

Whom Sold	Description	Date Acquired	Date Sold	How Received		Cost	Expense	Depreciation	Net Gain / Loss
				Purchase	Sale Price				
				\$ 2,314,156	\$	2,096,771	\$	\$	217,385
Total				\$ 2,314,156	\$	2,096,771	0	0	217,385

Statement 2 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 11 - Other Income

Description	Revenue per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
CORN SALES	\$ 270,536		\$
SOYBEAN SALES	180,560		
GOVT PAYMENTS	1,445		
CASH RENT	9,800		
CAPITAL RETURN	719		
MISCELLANEOUS	30		
Total	\$ 463,090	0	0

Statement 3 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 16a - Legal Fees

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
Indirect Legal Fees	\$ 104	104	104	\$
Total	\$ 104	104	104	0

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**Statement 4 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 16b - Accounting Fees**

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
Indirect Accounting Fees	\$ 600	\$ 600	\$ 600	\$
Total	\$ 600	\$ 600	\$ 600	\$ 0

**Statement 5 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 16c - Other Professional Fees**

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
MANAGEMENT FEES	\$ 34,239	\$ 34,239	\$ 34,239	\$
Total	\$ 34,239	\$ 34,239	\$ 34,239	\$ 0

**Statement 6 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 19 - Depreciation**

Date Acquired	Description	Cost Basis	Prior Year Depreciation	Method	Life	Current Year Depreciation	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
5/29/07	HOUSE	\$ 60,615	\$ 14,603	S/L	27.5	\$ 2,204	\$	\$
1/01/05	TRACTOR	35,000	35,000	S/L	7			
1/01/05	DWELLING	72,418	32,588	S/L	20	3,621		
1/01/05	NORTH SHED	6,000	2,700	S/L	20	300		
1/01/05	SOUTH CATTLE SHED	16,000	7,200	S/L	20	800		
1/01/05	CATTLE BARN	9,000	4,050	S/L	20	450		
1/01/05	WEST SHED	5,000	2,250	S/L	20	250		
1/01/05	NORTH BARN	18,000	8,100	S/L	20	900		



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## Statement 6 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 19 - Depreciation (continued)

Description		Date Acquired	Cost Basis	Prior Year Depreciation	Method	Life	Current Year Depreciation	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
SOUTH BARN		1/01/05	\$ 17,000	\$ 7,650	S/L	20	\$ 850	\$	
EAST SHED		1/01/05	11,000	4,950	S/L	20	550		
15000 BINS		1/01/05	29,000	29,000	S/L	7			
15000 BIN		1/01/05	8,000	8,000	S/L	7			
12000 BIN		1/01/05	6,000	6,000	S/L	7			
7000 BIN		1/01/05	4,000	4,000	S/L	7			
SHED		1/01/05	3,068	1,380	S/L	20	154		
5000 BIN		1/01/05	2,477	2,477	S/L	7			
6000 BIN		1/01/05	3,048	3,048	S/L	7			
7000 BIN		1/01/05	3,492	3,492	S/L	7			
TILE		3/02/12	11,425	2,992	S/L	7	1,632		
TILE		9/03/13	3,099	148	S/L	7	442		
Total			\$ 323,642	\$ 179,628			\$ 12,153	\$ 0	\$ 0

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## Statement 7 - Form 990-PF, Part I, Line 23 - Other Expenses

Description	Total	Net Investment	Adjusted Net	Charitable Purpose
Expenses	\$	\$	\$	\$
BUILDING REPAIRS	32,015	32,015	32,015	
TILE REPAIRS				
SEED EXPENSE	57,610	57,610	57,610	
FERTILIZER	43,089	43,089	43,089	
CHEMICALS	19,311	19,311	19,311	
INSECTICIDE				
CUSTOM WORK	825	825	825	
DRYING				
STORAGE	967	967	967	
TRUCKING				
CHECKOFF FEE				
REAL ESTATE TAX	25,648	25,648	25,648	
FARM INSURANCE	13,836	13,836	13,836	
UTILITIES	8,447	8,447	8,447	
LP GAS				
MANAGEMENT FEE	33,454	33,454	33,454	
SOIL TEST				
OPTIONS				
BANK CHARGES				
ANNUAL FEES	30	30	30	
INSURANCE	1,271	1,271	1,271	
POSTAGE	11	11	11	
Total	\$ 236,514	\$ 236,514	\$ 236,514	\$ 0

## Statement 8 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 10a - US and State Government Investments

Description	Beginning of Year	End of Year	Basis of Valuation	Fair Market Value
FNMA	\$	\$		\$
Total	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0

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Statement 9 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 10b - Corporate Stock Investments

Description	Beginning of Year	End of Year	Basis of Valuation	Fair Market Value
	\$ 3,733,811	\$ 3,863,231		\$
Total	\$ 3,733,811	\$ 3,863,231		\$ 0

Statement 10 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 13 - Other Investments

Description	Beginning of Year	End of Year	Basis of Valuation	Fair Market Value
	\$ 119,104	\$ 86,896		\$
Total	\$ 119,104	\$ 86,896		\$ 0

Statement 11 - Form 990-PF, Part II, Line 14 - Land, Building, and Equipment

Description	Beginning Net Book	End Cost / Basis	End Accumulated Depreciation	Net FMV
	\$ 144,014	\$ 323,642	\$ 191,781	\$
Total	\$ 144,014	\$ 323,642	\$ 191,781	\$ 0

**Federal Statements****Statement 12 - Form 990-PF, Part III, Line 3 - Other Increases**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
UNREALIZED GAINS ON INVESTMENTS	\$ <u>          </u>
Total	\$ <u>          0</u>

**Statement 13 - Form 990-PF, Part III, Line 5 - Other Decreases**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
UNREALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENT	\$ <u>      27,127</u>
Total	\$ <u>      27,127</u>

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Statement 14 - Form 990-PF, Part VIII, Line 1 - List of Officers, Directors, Trustees,  
Etc.

Name and Address	Title	Average Hours	Compensation	Benefits	Expenses
BRUCE MEACHUM 110 N VERMILION DANVILLE IL 61832	PRESIDENT	0.00	0	0	0
JOHN ELLIS PO BOX 327 RANKIN IL 60960	TREASURER	0.00	0	0	0
KAREN EVANS PO BOX 87 HOOPESTON IL 60942	SECRETARY	0.00	0	0	0
LYNN MAGERS PO BOX 195 RANKIN IL 60960	DIRECTOR	0.00	0	0	0
DENNIS WEBER 210 S GUTHRIE RANKIN IL 60960	DIRECTOR	0.00	0	0	0

Statement 15 - Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 3a - Grants and Contributions Paid During the  
Year

Name Address	Relationship	Status	Purpose	Amount
BISMARCK SCHOOLS			GRANT	
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS			GRANT	20,000
PARKVIEW HOME			GRANT	
VERMILION CO CONSERVATION DISTRICT			GRANT	

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**Statement 15 - Form 990-PF, Part XV, Line 3a - Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year (continued)**

Name	Address	Relationship	Status	Purpose	Amount
AMBUCS					
WORKSOURCE ENTERPRISES				GRANT	
HOOPESTON AREA COMMUNITY UNIT				GRANT	
VASE				GRANT	39,430
THE ARC OF IROQUOIS COUNTY				GRANT	
IROQUOIS WEST COMMUNITY UNIT				GRANT	12,400
IROQUOIS SPECIAL EDUCATION ASSOCIAT				GRANT	41,483
Total					2,739
					116,052

**Federal Statements****Statement 16 - Form 990-PF, Part XVI-A, Line 11 - Other Revenue**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Business Code</u>	<u>Unrelated Amount</u>	<u>Exclusion Code</u>	<u>Exclusion Amount</u>	<u>Related Income</u>
CORN SALES		\$		\$	270,536
SOYBEAN SALES					180,560
INS PROCEEDS					
GOVT PAYMENTS					1,445
CASH RENT					9,800
BUILDING RENT					
PATRONAGE DIVIDEND					
CAPITAL RETURN					719
MISCELLANEOUS					30
Total		\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 463,090

Form **4562**

# Depreciation and Amortization (Including Information on Listed Property)

OMB No 1545-0172

**2014**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service (99)

▶ Attach to your tax return.

▶ Information about Form 4562 and its separate instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form4562](http://www.irs.gov/form4562).Attachment  
Sequence No **179**

Name(s) shown on return

**WHEELER FOUNDATION**

Identifying number

**61-1445596**

Business or activity to which this form relates

**Indirect Depreciation****Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179****Note:** If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

1	Maximum amount (see instructions)	1	<b>500,000</b>
2	Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3	Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)	3	<b>2,000,000</b>
4	Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5	Dollar limitation for tax year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions	5	
6	(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
7	Listed property Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8	Total elected cost of section 179 property Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9	Tentative deduction Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 5 or line 8	9	
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2013 Form 4562	10	
11	Business income limitation Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instructions)	11	
12	Section 179 expense deduction Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	
13	Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2015 Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12	13	

**Note:** Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V.**Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions.)**

14	Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	<b>12,153</b>

**Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions.)****Section A**

17	MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2014	17	<b>0</b>
18	If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here		

**Section B—Assets Placed in Service During 2014 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System**

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only—see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property						
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs		S/L	
h Residential rental property			27 5 yrs	MM	S/L	
			27 5 yrs	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			39 yrs	MM	S/L	
				MM	S/L	

**Section C—Assets Placed in Service During 2014 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System**

20a Class life					S/L	
b 12-year			12 yrs		S/L	
c 40-year			40 yrs	MM	S/L	

**Part IV Summary (See instructions)**

21	Listed property Enter amount from line 28	21	
22	<b>Total.</b> Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21 Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return Partnerships and S corporations—see instructions	22	<b>12,153</b>
23	For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see separate instructions.

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