#### **HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC**

Form 5

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FORM 5 **OMB** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 3235-0362 Number: Washington, D.C. 20549 Check this box if January 31, Expires: no longer subject 2005 to Section 16. Estimated average ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL Form 4 or Form burden hours per 5 obligations OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES response... 1.0 may continue. See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Form 4 Transactions Reported 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Ann S. Gerdin Revocable Trust Symbol HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC (Check all applicable) [HTLD] (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (First) Director \_X\_\_ 10% Owner Officer (give title \_\_X\_\_ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 12/31/2015 Co-Trustee of 10% Owner 901 NORTH KANSAS AVENUE (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line) NORTH LIBERTY, Â IAÂ 52317 Form Filed by One Reporting Person \_X\_ Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

| (City)                               | (State)                              | (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |   |  |   |   |  |   |   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|--|---|---|--|---|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year)                            | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or Amount (D) Price |   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned at end<br>of Issuer's<br>Fiscal Year<br>(Instr. 3 and<br>4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 08/11/2014                           | Â  | G5 <u>(1)</u>                           | 487,780  | A | \$ 0  | 9,306,686  | D (2)   | Â |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 08/11/2014                           | Â  | G5 <u>(1)</u>                           | 181,307  | A | \$0   | 9,487,993  | D (2)   | Â |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 08/19/2014                           | Â  | G5 <u>(1)</u>                           | 164,205  | A | \$0   | 9,652,198  | D (2)   | Â |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 08/19/2014                           | Â  | G5 <u>(1)</u>                           | 442,442  | A | \$0   | 10,094,640   | D (2)   | Â |

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| <b>C</b>        |            |   |               |           |   |      |            |       |   |
|-----------------|------------|---|---------------|-----------|---|------|------------|-------|---|
| Common<br>Stock | 12/01/2014 | Â | G5 <u>(1)</u> | 160,213   | A | \$ 0 | 10,254,853 | D (2) | Â                                       |
| Common<br>Stock | 12/12/2014 | Â | G5 <u>(1)</u> | 918,165   | A | \$ 0 | 11,173,018 | D (2) | Â                                       |
| Common<br>Stock | 01/15/2015 | Â | G             | 887,407   | A | \$ 0 | 12,060,425 | D (2) | Â                                       |
| Common<br>Stock | 06/04/2015 | Â | G             | 430,894   | A | \$ 0 | 12,491,319 | D (2) | Â                                       |
| Common<br>Stock | 06/11/2015 | Â | G             | 7,800     | D | \$0  | 12,483,519 | D (2) | Â                                       |
| Common<br>Stock | 06/11/2015 | Â | G             | 2,600     | A | \$0  | 32,584     | I     | Co-Trustee of Trust (3)                 |
| Common<br>Stock | 06/11/2015 | Â | G             | 2,600     | A | \$0  | 32,584     | I     | Co-Trustee of Trust (4)                 |
| Common<br>Stock | 08/11/2015 | Â | G             | 235,259   | A | \$0  | 12,718,778 | D (2) | Â                                       |
| Common<br>Stock | 08/19/2015 | Â | G             | 224,939   | A | \$0  | 12,943,717 | D (2) | Â                                       |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/09/2015 | Â | G             | 370,092   | A | \$0  | 13,313,809 | D (2) | Â                                       |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/30/2015 | Â | G             | 260,510   | A | \$0  | 13,574,319 | D (2) | Â                                       |
| Common<br>Stock | 12/07/2015 | Â | G             | 9,000,000 | D | \$0  | 4,574,319  | D (2) | Â                                       |
| Common<br>Stock | 12/18/2015 | Â | G             | 1,678,731 | A | \$0  | 6,253,050  | D (2) | Â                                       |
| Common<br>Stock | 12/18/2015 | Â | G             | 2,107,282 | A | \$0  | 2,669,951  | I     | Beneficiary of Trust (5)                |
| Common<br>Stock | Â          | Â | Â             | Â         | Â | Â    | 4,802,738  | I     | Beneficiary of Trust (6)                |
| Common<br>Stock | Â          | Â | Â             | Â         | Â | Â    | 2,043,372  | I     | Beneficiary of Trust (7)                |
| Common<br>Stock | Â          | Â | Â             | Â         | Â | Â    | 1,936,276  | I     | Co-General<br>Partner of<br>Partnership |
| Common<br>Stock | Â          | Â | Â             | Â         | Â | Â    | 6,313      | I     | By Spouse                               |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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# $\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

| 1. Title of | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.          | 5.         | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Titl | e and    | 8. Price o |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|---------------|-------------|---------|----------|------------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transaction | Number     | Expiration D  | ate         | Amou    | int of   | Derivativ  |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code        | of         | (Month/Day/   | Year)       | Under   | lying    | Security   |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8)  | Derivative | •             |             | Securi  | ities    | (Instr. 5) |
|             | Derivative  |                     |                    |             | Securities |               |             | (Instr. | 3 and 4) |            |
|             | Security    |                     |                    |             | Acquired   |               |             |         |          |            |
|             | •           |                     |                    |             | (A) or     |               |             |         |          |            |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | Disposed   |               |             |         |          |            |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | of (D)     |               |             |         |          |            |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | (Instr. 3, |               |             |         |          |            |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | 4, and 5)  |               |             |         |          |            |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            |               |             |         | Amount   |            |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            |               |             |         |          |            |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            | Date          | Expiration  | Title   | Or       |            |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            | Exercisable   | Date        | Title   | Number   |            |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | (A) (D)    |               |             |         | of       |            |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | (A) (D)    |               |             |         | Shares   |            |

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# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |                         |  |  |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------------------------|--|--|
| <b></b>   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other                   |  |  |
| Ann S. Gerdin Revocable Trust<br>901 NORTH KANSAS AVENUE<br>NORTH LIBERTY, IA 52317 | Â             | ÂX        | Â       | Co-Trustee of 10% Owner |  |  |
| Janssen Angela K<br>901 NORTH KANSAS AVENUE<br>NORTH LIBERTY, IA 52317              | Â             | Â         | Â       | Co-Trustee of 10% Owner |  |  |
| Gerdin Ann S<br>901 NORTH KANSAS AVENUE<br>NORTH LIBERTY, IA 52317                  | Â             | ÂX        | Â       | Â                       |  |  |
| Durr Julie J<br>901 NORTH KANSAS AVENUE<br>NORTH LIBERTY, IA 52317                  | Â             | Â         | Â       | Co-Trustee of 10% Owner |  |  |

# **Signatures**

| /s/Michael Gerdin, Co-Trustee, by Thomas E. Hill, pursuant to power of attorney previously filed |      |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|------|--|--|--|--|--|
| **Signature of Reporting Person  | Date |  |  |  |  |  |
| /s/Angela K. Janssen, by Thomas E. Hill, pursuant to power of attorney previously filed          |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Signature of Reporting Person  | Date |  |  |  |  |  |
| /s/ Ann S. Gerdin, by Thomas E. Hill, pursuant to power of attorney previously filed             |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Signature of Reporting Person  | Date |  |  |  |  |  |
| /s/Julie J. Durr, by Thomas E. Hill, pursuant to power of attorney previously filed              |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Signature of Reporting Person  | Date |  |  |  |  |  |

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### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The Ann S. Gerdin Revocable Trust became a 10% owner on June 30, 2014. The reported transactions represent previously unreported gifts for 2014.
- Michael Gerdin, Mrs. Durr, Mrs. Janssen, and Mrs. Gerdin serve as co-trustees over shares held by the Ann S. Gerdin Revocable Trust.

  (2) As co-trustees, they have shared voting and dispositive powers with respect to this trust. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed for Mr. Gerdin, Mrs. Durr, and Mrs. Janssen.
- (3) Mrs. Durr is co-trustee over shares held by trusts created for the benefit of her children. As co-trustee, Mrs. Durr has shared voting and dispositive powers with respect to this trust. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.
- (4) Mrs. Janssen is co-trustee over shares held by trusts created for the benefit of her children. As co-trustee, Mrs. Janssen has shared voting and dispositive powers with respect to this trust. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.
- Mrs. Durr and Mrs. Janssen are two of the beneficiaries of the 2007 Gerdin Heartland Trust. A remainder interest of 2,107,282 shares was (5) distributed from a grantor retained annuity trust created for the benefit of Mrs. Gerdin to the 2007 Gerdin Heartland Trust. Mr. Gerdin, the third beneficiary of the 2007 Gerdin Heartland Trust, previously reported the distribution of the remainder interest.
- Mrs. Durr, Mrs. Janssen, and Mr. Gerdin are the beneficiaries of the 2009 Gerdin Heartland Trust. None of Mrs. Durr, Mrs. Janssen, or(6) Mr. Gerdin has voting and dispositive powers with respect to this trust. Lawrence D. Crouse served as trustee as of the event date.Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.
- Mrs. Durr, Mrs. Janssen, and Mr. Gerdin are the beneficiaries of the 2005 Gerdin Children's Trust. None of Mrs. Durr, Mrs. Janssen, or (7) Mr. Gerdin has voting and dispositive powers with respect to this trust. Lawrence D. Crouse served as trustee as of the event date. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.
  - The Ann S. Gerdin Revocable Trust, Mr. Gerdin, Mrs. Durr, and Mrs. Janssen are co-general partners of Gerdin Family Investments LP. None of the Ann S. Gerdin Revocable Trust, Mr. Gerdin, Mrs. Durr, or Mrs. Janssen has voting and dispositive powers with respect to
- (8) this partnership. Lawrence D. Crouse served as voting trustee over the shares represented by a voting trust certificate as of the event date. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed except to the extent of each such reporting person's percentage ownership of general and limited partner shares in the partnership. These shares have been held since 1997.
- (9) Mrs. Janssen's husband owns these shares. Beneficial ownership of these shares is disclaimed.

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