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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HIGGINS ROBERT J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			TRANS WORLD ENTERTAINMENT CORP [TWMC]	(Check all applicable) X Director X 10% Own			
(Last) 38 CORPOR	(First) (Middle) ORATE CIRCLE		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2011	X Officer (give title Other (specibelow) below) Chairman and CEO			
ALBANY, N	(Street) Y 12203		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	equired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owne			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative S	Securit	ties Acq	uired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	(A)			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock par value \$.01 per share	02/27/2011		J <u>(7)</u>	253,213	D	\$ 1.69	14,197,625	D	
Common Stock par value \$.01 per share	08/19/2011		P	200,000	A	\$ 2.05	14,397,625	D	
Common Stock par value \$.01							137,500	I	Higgins Foundation

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per share

Common

Stock par value \$.01 per share

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy) (1)	<u>(2)</u>					(3)	(3)	Common Stock par value \$.01 per share	3,075,000
Stock Settled Appreciation Rights (1)	(2)					(3)	(3)	Common Stock par value \$.01 per share	450,000
Restricted stock units (1)	<u>(4)</u>					<u>(5)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock par value \$.01 per share	279,898

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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HIGGINS ROBERT J
38 CORPORATE CIRCLE X X Chairman and CEO
ALBANY, NY 12203

Signatures

/S/ Robert J. 08/22/2011 Higgins

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- All of the equity transactions listed above are pursuant to equity plans qualified under Rule 16b-3 and exempt from Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act
- (2) Previously reported on Form 4.
- (3) All grants are exercisable within 4 years and expire 10 years from date of grant.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Trans World Entertainment Corporation stock.
- (5) Restricted stock units vest based on achievement of predetermined financial goals.
- (6) Restricted stock units terminate upon vesting.

The Robert J. Higgins TR UA Dated February 2, 2009 ("2009 GRAT") was formed on February 2, 2009 and received 253,303 shares on that date as a gift from Robert J. Higgins. On February 27, 2011, Mr. Higgins was distributed 90 shares from the 2009 GRAT. On the same date, the remaining 253,213 shares held by the 2009 GRAT were distributed to Mr. Higgins' children and the 2009 GRAT was terminated.

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