SIFFORD CLIFTON E

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SIFFORD CLIFTON E | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SHOE CARNIVAL INC [SCVL] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |
|---|----------|----------|---|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check an applicable) |
| 7500 E. COLUMBIA STREET | | | (Month/Day/Year) 01/25/2012 | Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP - GENERAL MERCHANDISE MGR |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check |
| EVANSVILLE, IN 47715 | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | | | equired d of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 01/25/2012 | | M | 2,575 | A | \$ 12.67 | 68,681 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/25/2012 | | S | 2,575 | D | \$ 25.8 | 66,106 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/26/2012 | | M | 7,425 | A | \$ 12.67 | 73,531 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/26/2012 | | S | 7,425 | D | \$ 25.8 | 66,106 | D | |

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. Number op for Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amour or Number of Shares |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 12.67 | 01/25/2012 | | M | 2,575 | <u>(1)</u> | 03/11/2013 | Common Stock | 2,57 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 12.67 | 01/26/2012 | | M | 7,425 | <u>(1)</u> | 03/11/2013 | Common Stock | 7,42 |

Relationships

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | | • | |
|--------------------------------|----------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |

SIFFORD CLIFTON E EVP - GENERAL 7500 E. COLUMBIA STREET MERCHANDISE EVANSVILLE, IN 47715 MGR

Signatures

By: W. Kerry Jackson For: Clifton E. Sifford 01/27/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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 option becomes exercisable in thirds, commencing one year after the date of grant.

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