

JAY NEWLIN TRUST  
Form SC 13G  
February 10, 2009

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
(AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_) \*

WEST BANCORPORATION, INC.

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(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock - No Par Value

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(Title of Class of Securities)

95123P106

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(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2008

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(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this  
Schedule is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)
- Rule 13d-1(c)
- Rule 13d-1(d)

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initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and  
for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the  
disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act  
but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the  
Notes).

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SEC 1745 (12-02)

CUSIP NO. 95123P106

1. Names of Reporting Persons.  
I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

The Jay Newlin Trust 42-6267990

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)  
(a)  Not Applicable

(b)  Not Applicable

3. SEC Use Only

4. Citizenship or Place of Organization

State of Iowa

Number of	5.	Sole Voting Power
Shares		1,041,952
Beneficially	6.	Shared Voting Power
Owned by		Not Applicable
Each	7.	Sole Dispositive Power
Reporting		1,041,952
Person With:	8.	Shared Dispositive Power
		Not Applicable

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

1,041,952

10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares  
(See Instructions)

Not Applicable

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

6.0%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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Item 1(a) Name of Issuer:  
West Bancorporation, Inc.

Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:  
1601 22nd Street  
West Des Moines, IA 50265-1474

Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing:  
The Jay Newlin Trust

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office, or, if none, Residence:  
6165 NW 86th Street  
Johnston, IA 50131

Item 2(c) Citizenship or Place of Organization:  
Iowa

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:  
Common - No Par Value

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number:  
95123P106

Item 3 If this statement is filed pursuant to Section 240.13d-1(b) or Section 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:  
Not Applicable

Item 4 Ownership:

(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:	1,041,952
(b) Percent of Class:	6.0%
(c) Number of shares as to which the person has:	
(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote	1,041,952
(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote	Not Applicable
(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:	1,041,952
(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:	Not Applicable

Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:  
Not Applicable

Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

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Not Applicable

Item 7 Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company:

Not Applicable

Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

Not Applicable

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Item 9 Notice of Dissolution of Group:

Not Applicable

Item 10 Certification:

By signing below, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 10, 2009

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Date

/s/ Vesta N. Hansen

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Signature

Vesta N. Hansen, Managing Trustee

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Name/Title

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