

**ReliaStar Life Insurance Company
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**Supplement dated May 21, 2013 to the Contract Prospectus and Statement of Additional
Information, each dated April 30, 2012, as amended**

The following information updates and amends certain information contained in your variable annuity Contract Prospectus and Statement of Additional Information (“SAI”), each dated April 30, 2012, as amended. Please read it carefully and keep it with your current Contract Prospectus and SAI for future reference.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE COMPANY

The first three paragraphs under the heading “THE COMPANY” in the Contract Prospectus and the first two paragraphs under the heading “GENERAL INFORMATION AND HISTORY” in the SAI are deleted and replaced with the following:

ReliaStar Life Insurance Company (the “Company” “we”, “us”, “our”) issues the contracts described in the Contract Prospectus and SAI and is responsible for providing each contract’s insurance and annuity benefits. All guarantees and benefits provided under the contract that are not related to the separate account are subject to the claims paying ability of the Company and our general account.

We are a stock life insurance company organized in 1885 and incorporated under the insurance laws of the State of Minnesota. Until May 7, 2013, we were an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of ING Groep N.V. (“ING”), a global financial institution active in the fields of insurance, banking and asset management. We offer individual life insurance and annuities, employee benefits and retirement contracts. We are authorized to do business in the District of Columbia and in all states, except New York.

Pursuant to an agreement with the European Commission (“EC”), ING has agreed to divest itself of ING U.S., Inc. and its subsidiaries, including the Company (collectively “ING U.S.”), which constitutes ING’s U.S.-based retirement, investment management and insurance operations. To effect this divestment, on May 7, 2013, ING completed an initial public offering (“IPO”) of the common stock of ING U.S. While ING is currently the majority shareholder of the common stock of ING U.S., pursuant to the agreement with the EC mentioned above ING is required to divest itself of at least 25% of ING U.S. by the end of 2013, more than 50% by the end of 2014 and 100% by the end of 2016.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUNDS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE CONTRACTS

The following table reflects variable investment option name changes since your last prospectus supplement:

New Fund Name	Former Fund Name
ING Columbia Contrarian Core Portfolio	ING Davis New York Venture Portfolio
ING Invesco Comstock Portfolio	ING Invesco Van Kampen Comstock Portfolio
ING Invesco Equity and Income Portfolio	ING Invesco Van Kampen Equity and Income Portfolio
ING Invesco Growth and Income Portfolio	ING Invesco Van Kampen Growth and Income Portfolio
Oppenheimer Main Street Small Cap Fund [®] /VA	Oppenheimer Main Street Small- & Mid-Cap Fund [®] /VA

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUNDS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE CONTRACT

The following chart lists the variable investment options that are, effective May 1, 2013, available through the contracts. Some investment options may be unavailable through certain contracts or plans, or in some states.

The investment results of the mutual funds (funds) are likely to differ significantly and there is no assurance that any of the funds will achieve their respective investment objectives. You should consider the investment objectives, risks and charges, and expenses of the funds carefully before investing. Please refer to the fund prospectuses for additional information. Shares of the funds will rise and fall in value and you could lose money by investing in the funds. Shares of the funds are not bank deposits and are not guaranteed, endorsed or insured by any financial institution, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. Except as noted, all funds are diversified, as defined under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Fund prospectuses may be obtained free of charge by contacting our Administrative Service Center at: ING Service Center, P.O. Box 5050 Minot, ND 58702-5050, calling 1-877-884-5050 or by accessing the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") website or by contacting the SEC Public Reference Branch. If you received a summary prospectus for any of the funds available through your contract, you may obtain a full prospectus and other information free of charge by either accessing the internet address, calling the telephone number or sending an email request to the email address shown on the front of the fund's summary prospectus.

Certain funds offered under the contracts have investment objectives and policies similar to other funds managed by the fund's investment adviser. The investment results of a fund may be higher or lower than those of other funds managed by the same adviser. There is no assurance and no representation is made that the investment results of any fund will be comparable to those of another fund managed by the same investment adviser.

Fund Name	Investment Objective(s)
American Funds® – Growth Fund (Class 2) Investment Adviser: Capital Research and Management Company SM	Seeks growth of capital by investing primarily in common stocks and seeks to invest in companies that appear to offer superior opportunities for growth of capital.
American Funds® – Growth-Income Fund (Class 2) Investment Adviser: Capital Research and Management Company SM	Seeks capital growth and income over time by investing primarily in common stocks and other securities that demonstrate the potential for capital appreciation and/or dividends.
American Funds® – International Fund (Class 2) Investment Adviser: Capital Research and Management Company SM	Seeks growth of capital over time by investing primarily in common stocks of companies located outside the United States.
Franklin Small Cap Value Securities Fund (Class 2) Investment Adviser: Franklin Advisory Services, LLC	Seeks long-term total return. Under normal market conditions, the fund invests at least 80% of its net assets in investments of small capitalization companies.
ING American Century Small-Mid Cap Value Portfolio (Class S) Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC Subadviser: American Century Investment Management, Inc.	Seeks long-term capital growth; income is a secondary objective.

Fund Name	
Investment Adviser/ Subadviser	Investment Objective(s)
ING Baron Growth Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: BAMCO, Inc.	
ING BlackRock Large Cap Growth Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks long-term growth of capital.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	
ING Clarion Global Real Estate Portfolio (Class I)	Seeks high total return, consisting of capital appreciation and current income.
Investment Adviser: ING Investments, LLC	
Subadviser: CBRE Clarion Securities LLC	
ING Columbia Contrarian Core Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks total return, consisting of long-term capital appreciation and current income.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: Columbia Management Investment Advisers, LLC	
ING Fidelity[®] VIP Contrafund[®] Portfolio (Class S)*⁽¹⁾	Seeks long-term capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser to the Portfolio: Directed Services LLC	
Investment Adviser to the Master Fund: Fidelity Management & Research Company (“FMR”)	
Subadviser to the Master Fund: FMR Co., Inc. (“FMRC”)	
* Fidelity and Contrafund are registered trademarks of Fidelity Management & Research LLC	
ING Fidelity[®] VIP Equity-Income Portfolio (Class S)*⁽¹⁾	Seeks reasonable income. Will also consider the potential for capital appreciation. Goal is to achieve a yield that exceeds the composite yield on the securities comprising the S&P 500 [®] Index.
Investment Adviser to the Portfolio: Directed Services LLC	
Investment Adviser to the Master Fund: FMR	
Subadviser to the Master Fund: FMRC	
* Fidelity is a registered trademark of Fidelity Management & Research LLC	

Fund Name	
Investment Adviser/ Subadviser	Investment Objective(s)
ING Fidelity[®] VIP Mid Cap Portfolio (Class S)*⁽¹⁾	Seeks long-term growth of capital.
Investment Adviser to the Portfolio: Directed Services LLC	
Investment Adviser to the Master Fund: FMR	
Subadviser to the Master Fund: FMRC	
* Fidelity is a registered trademark of Fidelity Management & Research LLC	
ING FMRSM Diversified Mid Cap Portfolio (Class I)*	Seeks long-term growth of capital.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: Fidelity Management & Research Company.	
* FMR is a service mark of Fidelity Management & Research Company	
ING Global Bond Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks to maximize total return through a combination of current income and capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Global Resources Portfolio (Class S)	A <i>non-diversified</i> Portfolio that seeks long-term capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Growth and Income Portfolio (Class I)	Seeks to maximize total return through investments in a diversified portfolio of common stocks and securities convertible into common stocks. It is anticipated that capital appreciation and investment income will both be major factors in achieving total return.
Investment Adviser: ING Investments, LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Index Plus MidCap Portfolio (Class I)	Seeks to outperform the total return performance of the Standard and Poor's MidCap 400 Index, while maintaining a market level of risk.
Investment Adviser: ING Investments, LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Intermediate Bond Portfolio (Class I)	Seeks to maximize total return consistent with reasonable risk. The Portfolio seeks its objective through investments in a diversified portfolio consisting primarily of debt securities. It is anticipated that capital appreciation and investment income will both be major factors in achieving total return.
Investment Adviser: ING Investments, LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING International Index Portfolio (Class I)	Seeks investment results (before fees and expenses) that correspond to the total return (which includes capital appreciation and income) of a widely accepted international index.
Investment Adviser: ING Investments, LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING International Value Portfolio (Class I)	Seeks long-term capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: ING Investments, LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	

Fund Name	Investment Objective(s)
Investment Adviser/ Subadviser	
ING Invesco Comstock Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks capital growth and income.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: Invesco Advisers, Inc.	
ING Invesco Equity and Income Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks total return, consisting of long-term capital appreciation and current income.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: Invesco Advisers, Inc.	
ING Invesco Growth and Income Portfolio (Class S2)	Seeks long-term growth of capital and income.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: Invesco Advisers, Inc.	
ING JPMorgan Mid Cap Value Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks growth from capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: J.P. Morgan Investment Management Inc.	
ING Large Cap Growth Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks long-term capital growth.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Large Cap Value Portfolio (Class I)	Seeks long-term growth of capital and current income.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Marsico Growth Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: Marsico Capital Management, LLC	
ING MFS Total Return Portfolio (Class S2)	Seeks above-average income (compared to a portfolio entirely invested in equity securities) consistent with the prudent employment of capital and secondarily, seeks reasonable opportunity for growth of capital and income.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: Massachusetts Financial Services Company	
ING MidCap Opportunities Portfolio (Class I)	Seeks long-term capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: ING Investments, LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Money Market Portfolio (Class I)*⁽²⁾	Seeks to provide high current return, consistent with preservation of capital and liquidity, through investment in high-quality money market instruments while maintaining a stable share price of \$1.00.
Investment Adviser: ING Investments, LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
* There is no guarantee that the ING Money Market Portfolio subaccount will have a positive or level return.	

Fund Name	
Investment Adviser/ Subadviser	Investment Objective(s)
ING Oppenheimer Global Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: OppenheimerFunds, Inc.	
ING PIMCO Total Return Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks maximum total return, consistent with capital preservation and prudent investment management.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: Pacific Investment Management Company LLC (PIMCO)	
ING Pioneer High Yield Portfolio (Class I)	Seeks to maximize total return through income and capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: Pioneer Investment Management, Inc.	
ING SmallCap Opportunities Portfolio (Class I)	Seeks long-term capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: ING Investments, LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Solution 2015 Portfolio (Class S)⁽¹⁾	Until the day prior to its Target Date, the Portfolio seeks to provide total return consistent with an asset allocation targeted at retirement in approximately 2015. On the Target Date, the Portfolio's investment objective will be to seek to provide a combination of total return and stability of principal consistent with an asset allocation targeted to retirement.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Solution 2025 Portfolio (Class S)⁽¹⁾	Until the day prior to its Target Date, the Portfolio seeks to provide total return consistent with an asset allocation targeted at retirement in approximately 2025. On the Target Date, the Portfolio's investment objective will be to seek to provide a combination of total return and stability of principal consistent with an asset allocation targeted to retirement.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Solution 2035 Portfolio (Class S)⁽¹⁾	Until the day prior to its Target Date, the Portfolio seeks to provide total return consistent with an asset allocation targeted at retirement in approximately 2035. On the Target Date, the Portfolio's investment objective will be to seek to provide a combination of total return and stability of principal consistent with an asset allocation targeted to retirement.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Solution 2045 Portfolio (Class S)⁽¹⁾	Until the day prior to its Target Date, the Portfolio seeks to provide total return consistent with an asset allocation targeted at retirement in approximately 2045. On the Target Date, the Portfolio's investment objective will be to seek to provide a combination of total return and stability of principal consistent with an asset allocation targeted to retirement.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Solution Income Portfolio (Class S)⁽¹⁾	Seeks to provide a combination of total return and stability of principal consistent with an asset allocation targeted to retirement.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	

Fund Name	Investment Objective(s)
Investment Adviser/ Subadviser	
ING Strategic Allocation Conservative Portfolio (Class I)⁽¹⁾	Seeks to provide total return (i.e., income and capital growth, both realized and unrealized) consistent with preservation of capital.
Investment Adviser: ING Investments, LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Strategic Allocation Growth Portfolio (Class I)⁽¹⁾	Seeks to provide capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: ING Investments, LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING Strategic Allocation Moderate Portfolio (Class I)⁽¹⁾	Seeks to provide total return (i.e., income and capital appreciation, both realized and unrealized).
Investment Adviser: ING Investments, LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
ING T. Rowe Price Diversified Mid Cap Growth Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks long-term capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc.	
ING T. Rowe Price Equity Income Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks substantial dividend income as well as long-term growth of capital.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc.	
ING T. Rowe Price Growth Equity Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks long-term capital growth, and secondarily, increasing dividend income.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc.	
ING Templeton Foreign Equity Portfolio (Class S)	Seeks long-term capital growth.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: Templeton Investment Counsel, LLC	
ING U.S. Stock Index Portfolio (Class I)	Seeks total return.
Investment Adviser: Directed Services LLC	
Subadviser: ING Investment Management Co. LLC	
Lord Abbett Series Fund – Mid Cap Stock Portfolio (Class VC)	The Fund seeks capital appreciation through investments, primarily in equity securities, which are believed to be undervalued in the marketplace.
Investment Adviser: Lord, Abbett & Co. LLC (Lord Abbett)	
Oppenheimer Main Street Small Cap Fund[®]/VA	The Fund seeks capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: OppenheimerFunds, Inc.	

Fund Name	Investment Objective(s)
Investment Adviser/ Subadviser	
PIMCO VIT Real Return Portfolio (Administrative Class)	Seeks maximum real return, consistent with preservation of real capital and prudent investment management.
Investment Adviser: Pacific Investment Management Company LLC (PIMCO)	
Pioneer High Yield VCT Portfolio (Class I)	Seeks to maximize total return through a combination of income and capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: Pioneer Investment Management, Inc.	
Wanger Select	Seeks long-term capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: Columbia Wanger Asset Management, LLC	
Wanger USA	Seeks long-term capital appreciation.
Investment Adviser: Columbia Wanger Asset Management, LLC	

¹ These funds are structured as “fund of funds” or “master-feeder” funds that invest directly in shares of an underlying fund. Please refer to the Fund prospectus for information about the aggregate annual operating expenses of the Fund and its corresponding underlying Fund or Funds.

² Available for investment in transfer premium series contracts only.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE COMPANY’S INTEREST BEARING RETAINED ASSET ACCOUNT

The following updates information regarding payment of death benefits or proceeds:

Subject to the conditions and requirements of state law, full payment of the death benefit or proceeds (“Proceeds”) to a beneficiary may be made either into an interest bearing retained asset account that is backed by our general account or by check. For additional information about the payment options available to you, please refer to your claim forms or contact our ING Customer Service Center at P.O. Box 5011, Minot, ND 58702-5011, 1-877-886-5050 or www.ingservicecenter.com. Beneficiaries should carefully review all settlement and payment options available under the contract and are encouraged to consult with a financial professional or tax adviser before choosing a settlement or payment option.

The Retained Asset Account. The retained asset account, known as the ING Personal Transition Account, is an interest bearing account backed by our general account. **The retained asset account is not guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (“FDIC”).** Beneficiaries that receive their payment through the retained asset account may access the entire Proceeds in the account at any time without penalty through a draftbook feature. The Company seeks to earn a profit on the account, and interest credited on the account may vary from time to time but will not be less than the minimum rate stated in the supplemental contract delivered to the beneficiary together with the paperwork to make a claim to the Proceeds. Interest earned on the Proceeds in the account may be less than could be earned if the Proceeds were invested outside of the account. Likewise, interest credited on the Proceeds in the account may be less than under other settlement or payment options available through the contract.

MORE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE

More information about the funds available through your contract, including information about the risks associated with investing in them, can be found in the current prospectus and Statement of Additional Information for each fund. You may obtain these documents by contacting your local representative or by writing or calling the Company at:

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If you received a summary prospectus for any of the funds available through your contract, you may obtain a full prospectus and other fund information free of charge by either accessing the internet address, calling the telephone number or sending an email request to the email address shown on the front of the fund's summary prospectus.