

STRYKER CORP  
Form 4  
March 02, 2009

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number: 3235-0287  
Expires: January 31, 2005  
Estimated average burden hours per response... 0.5

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
STRYKER RONDA E

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2825 AIRVIEW BLVD.  
(Street)

KALAMAZOO, MI 49002

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
STRYKER CORP [SYK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/26/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price                                         |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                            |
| Common Stock                    | 02/26/2009                           |                                                    | M                              | 20,000 A \$ 12.14                                                 | 112,000                                                                                       | D                                                        |                                            |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   | 21,207,398 (1)                                                                                | I                                                        | By L. Lee Stryker Trust                    |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   | 15,016,682 (1)                                                                                | I                                                        | By Revocable Trust                         |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   | 40,000                                                                                        | I                                                        | By Husband                                 |

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

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

SEC 1474  
(9-02)

**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Common Stock                               | \$ 12.14                                               | 02/26/2009                           |                                                    | M                              | 20,000                                                                                  | <u>(2)</u> 04/19/2009                                    | Common Stock                                                  | 20,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                               | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                              | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| STRYKER RONDA E<br>2825 AIRVIEW BLVD.<br>KALAMAZOO, MI 49002 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

Ronda E. Stryker 03/02/2009

\_\_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) An aggregate of 8,210,015 shares were distributed by the L. Lee Stryker Trust to the Revocable Trust between August 1, 2008 and November 21, 2008.
- (2) Stock option granted pursuant to the Stryker Corporation 1998 Stock Option Plan, exercisable as to 20% on each of the first five anniversaries of the date of grant.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.