#### **BOSTON BEER CO INC**

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### FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Grinnell David L. Issuer Symbol **BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]** (Check all applicable) (First) (Last) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O THE BOSTON BEER 03/26/2008 below) COMPANY, INC., ONE DESIGN Vice President of Brewing **CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

#### BOSTON, X1 02159

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

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

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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. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Class A Common	03/26/2008		M	650	A	\$ 14.47	650	D	
Class A Common	03/26/2008		M	850	A	\$ 18.465	1,500	D	
Class A Common	03/26/2008		M	200	A	\$ 21.14	1,700	D	
Class A Common	03/26/2008		S	900	D	\$ 48.75	800	D	
Class A Common	03/26/2008		S	600	D	\$ 48.78	200	D	

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Class A Common

03/26/2008

S 200

D \$48.82 0

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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)	ctionof 1 Derivative (		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. F Der Sec (Ins
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.47	03/26/2008		M		650	01/01/2008	01/01/2013	Class A Common	12,000	\$
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.465	03/26/2008		M		850	<u>(1)</u>	01/01/2014	Class A Common	9,000	\$ 1
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.14	03/26/2008		M		200	<u>(2)</u>	01/01/2015	Class A Common	8,000	\$

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Grinnell David L.

C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC. ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850 BOSTON, X1 02159

Vice President of Brewing

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## **Signatures**

Kathleen H. Wade under POA for the benefit of David L. Grinnell

03/27/2008

\*\*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) Of this option, the remaining 1,800 shares will vest on 1/1/2009.
- (2) Of this option, 1,600 shares will vest on 1/1/2009 and 1/1/2010.

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