

Owen Katherine Ann
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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 *
 Owen Katherine Ann

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/21/2012

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

KALAMAZOO, MI 49002
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code V Amount (D) Price | | |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Common Stock | \$ 53.6 | 02/21/2012 | A | 18,190 | | | | | (1) | 02/20/2022 | Common Stock | 18,190 |
| Common Stock | (2) | 02/21/2012 | A | 12,000 | | | | | (3) | 02/20/2022 | Common Stock | 12,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Owen Katherine Ann 2825 AIRVIEW BLVD. KALAMAZOO, MI 49002 | | | VP | |

Signatures

Timothy I. Williams, attorney-in-fact for Katherine A. Owen
02/23/2012

__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) Stock option granted pursuant to the Stryker Corporation 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan, exercisable as to 20% on each of the first five anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Stryker Common Stock.
The restricted stock units vest as to 25% of the shares on March 21, 2013, 25% of the shares on March 21, 2014 and the remaining 50% of the shares on March 21, 2015. Vesting will be accelerated in the event of termination of employment by reason of disability or death but will otherwise cease upon termination of employment or a significant decrease in the reporting person's role and/or responsibilities with Stryker.
- (3)

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