

Rude Michael W
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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 *
Rude Michael W

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/10/2012

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

2825 AIRVIEW BLVD.

V.P., Human Resources

(Street)

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

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

KALAMAZOO, MI 49002

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	02/10/2012		M	3,000 A \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	22,165	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2012		F	976 D \$ 53.96	21,659 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock					1,087	I	By 401K

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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. 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)	8. Price or Amount of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)
Common Stock	(1)	02/10/2012		M	3,000	(1) (1)	Common Stock	3,000 \$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Rude Michael W 2825 AIRVIEW BLVD. KALAMAZOO, MI 49002			V.P., Human Resources	

Signatures

Lauren E. Keller, attorney-in-fact for Michael W. Rude
02/14/2012

**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) On Feb. 10, 2012, 3,000 Restricted Stock Units vested and were settled for an equal number of shares of Stryker Common Stock.
- (2) Includes 470 shares of Stryker Common Stock acquired pursuant to Stryker Corporation's Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP") as of 12/31/2011, the date of the latest available statement of the reporting person's ESPP holdings.

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