#### BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC

Form 4

March 16, 2006

## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue. See Instruction

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

1(b).

WAY

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

SCHRAM MARTHA J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

BEVERLY ENTERPRISES INC

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

[BEV]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE THOUSAND BEVERLY

(Month/Day/Year) 03/14/2006

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner Other (specify \_X\_\_ Officer (give title

below)

PRESIDENT - AEGIS THERAPIES

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

FORT SMITH, AR 72919

(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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	03/14/2006		Code V  D(1)	Amount 26,743	(D)	Price \$ 12.5	(Instr. 3 and 4)	D		
\$.10 Par Value Common Stock - ESPP	03/14/2006		D <u>(1)</u>	73.0381	D	\$ 12.5	0	D		
Common Stock	03/14/2006		A(2)	15,400	A	\$0	15,400	D		

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Common Stock	03/14/2006	D(3)	5,113	D	\$ 12.5	10,287	D
Common Stock	03/14/2006	C(1)	10,287	D	\$ 12.5	0	D

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 (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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.95	03/14/2006		D	13,500	<u>(4)</u>	02/13/2012	\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	13,500
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.35	03/14/2006		D	8,500	<u>(4)</u>	02/20/2011	\$.10 Par Value Common Stock	8,500

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHRAM MARTHA J ONE THOUSAND BEVERLY WAY FORT SMITH, AR 72919

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## **Signatures**

By: Brenda Boster, by Power of Attorney For: Martha J. Schram

03/15/2006

\*\*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) In accordance with the terms of the Merger Agreement entered into by and between Beverly Enterprises, Inc. and Pearl Senior Care, LLC et al. the stock held by the Reporting Person were disposed of pursuant to the Merger Agreement.
- (2) In accordance with the terms of the Merger Agreement entered into by and between Beverly Enterprises, Inc. and Pearl Senior Care, LLC et al. vesting of the performance units were accelerated and valued at the merger consideration of \$12.50 per share.
- (3) Shares were traded to pay the tax obligation.
  - This option was fully vested and was cancelled in the merger between Beverly Enterprises, Inc. and Pearl Senior Care, LLC (the
- (4) "Merger") in exchange for a cash payment representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the Merger consideration of \$12.50 per share for the underlying common stock.
- (5) Represents the difference between the per share exercise price of the option and the per share merger consideration.

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