

Carpenter Lonny J
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Carpenter Lonny J		(Month/Day/Year)	STRYKER CORP [SYK]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
		12/01/2008		
2825 AIRVIEW BLVD.			(Check all applicable)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
			(give title below) (specify below)	
			Group President	
KALAMAZOO,Â MIÂ	49002			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	13,193	D	Â
Common Stock	1,667	I	By 401k

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Common Stock	Â (1)	04/28/2012	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 26.4	D	Â
Common Stock	Â (1)	10/13/2013	Common Stock	16,000	\$ 38.83	D	Â
Common Stock	Â (1)	03/04/2014	Common Stock	14,000	\$ 45.21	D	Â
Common Stock	Â (1)	04/21/2015	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 48.27	D	Â
Common Stock	Â (1)	02/06/2016	Common Stock	16,500	\$ 46.85	D	Â
Common Stock	Â (1)	02/13/2017	Common Stock	18,000	\$ 62.65	D	Â
Common Stock	Â (1)	02/11/2018	Common Stock	22,000	\$ 67.8	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Carpenter Lonny J 2825 AIRVIEW BLVD. KALAMAZOO, MI 49002	Â	Â	Â Group President	Â

Signatures

Lonny J. Carpenter
12/09/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person
Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Employee 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.

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