

CARTERS INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
BLOOM BRADLEY M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BERKSHIRE PARTNERS  
LLC., ONE BOSTON PLACE,  
SUITE 3300

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02108

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CARTERS INC [CRI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/12/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/12/2006		A	(A) Code V Amount (D) Price 1,431 (1) A \$ 62.89	33,469	I	See footnotes. (2) (3)
Common Stock					150,002	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. 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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BLOOM BRADLEY M  
C/O BERKSHIRE PARTNERS LLC,  
ONE BOSTON PLACE, SUITE 3300  
BOSTON, MA 02108

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## Signatures

Kenneth Bring, attorney  
in fact

05/16/2006

\_\_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) These shares were granted pursuant to the Issuer's Amended and Restated 2003 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan").

Of these shares, 4,053 shares are held by Berkshire Partners LLC ("Berkshire Partners"), of which Mr. Bloom is a member (shares include 1,311 shares granted pursuant to the Plan on May 12, 2005 for Mr. Bloom's service as a director, 1,311 shares granted pursuant to the Plan on the same date for the director service of another member of Berkshire Partners and 1,431 shares granted pursuant to the Plan on May 12, 2006 for Mr. Bloom's service as a director; pursuant to agreements between these individuals and Berkshire Partners, these shares were issued directly to Berkshire Partners).

(3) The Reporting Person disclaims any beneficial ownership of any shares in which he does not have a pecuniary interest. The remaining 29,416 shares are held in four trusts for the benefit of the Reporting Person's children. The Reporting Person is not the trustee of, and does not retain investment control over, any of the trusts. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities in the trusts, and the filing of this report is not an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

**Remarks:**

Exhibit List Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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