

Johnston Thomas H
Form 4
May 05, 2010

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Johnston Thomas H

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
AMERICAN GREETINGS CORP
[AM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE AMERICAN ROAD

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/03/2010

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

CLEVELAND, OH 44144

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
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Person

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price	
Class A Common Shares	05/03/2010		A		2,800 (1)	\$ 0	30,800 D
Class A Common Shares	05/04/2010		M		11,000	A \$ 7.73	41,800 D
Class A Common Shares	05/04/2010		S		11,000	D \$ 24.106 (2)	30,800 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 7.73	05/04/2010		M			11,000	<u>(3)</u>	05/01/2019	Class A Common Shares	11,000
Stock Option	\$ 24.69	05/03/2010		A			11,000	<u>(4)</u>	05/03/2020	Class A Common Shares	11,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Johnston Thomas H ONE AMERICAN ROAD CLEVELAND, OH 44144	Senior Vice President

Signatures

Catherine M. Kilbane, Power of Attorney for Thomas H. Johnston 05/05/2010

__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) Represents restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on May 3, 2010. The restricted stock units will vest and shares will be issued in equal amounts on the first and second anniversaries of the date of grant, based on the continued employment of the reporting person.

(2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price for shares sold on May 4, 2010, with prices ranging from \$23.99 to \$24.24, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to American Greetings Corporation, any security holder thereof, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

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- (3) This option became exercisable with respect to 11,000 shares on May 1, 2010, and will become exercisable with respect to 11,000 shares on May 1, 2011.
- (4) This option will vest equally on each of the first and second anniversaries of the grant date.

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