

WEISS ZEV  
Form 4  
May 05, 2008

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
WEISS ZEV

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)

CLEVELAND, OH 44144

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/01/2008

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

Chief Executive Officer

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

**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								13,937.016 <u>(1)</u>	I	By Profit Shar. Plan
Class B Common Shares								65,683	D	
Class B Common Shares								110,296.55 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Deferred Comp.
Class B Common								445,454 <u>(3)</u>	I	By LLC

Shares

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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 18.12	05/01/2008		A		100,000		<u>(4)</u>	05/01/2018	Class B Common Shares	100,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WEISS ZEV ONE AMERICAN ROAD CLEVELAND, OH 44144	X	X	Chief Executive Officer	

## Signatures

Catherine M. Kilbane, Power of Attorney for Zev  
Weiss

05/05/2008

\_\_\_\_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 Class A common shares allocated to the Reporting Person's account as of May 1, 2008, in the American Greetings Retirement Profit Sharing and Savings Plan reflecting the Reporting Person's interest in common shares held in such plan.

(2) Represents the number of shares allocated to the account of the reporting person under the American Greetings Corporation Executive Deferred Compensation Plan, including dividend equivalents credited with respect to any dividends paid on issuer's common shares.

(3) On August 11, 2006, the Reporting Person acquired membership interests in the Irving I. Stone Limited Liability Company (the "LLC") representing 24.5% of the equity in the LLC. As a result of such acquisition, the Reporting Person may be deemed to have an indirect beneficial ownership interest in 445,454 of the 1,818,182 Class B common shares owned by the LLC.

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- (4) This option will vest equally on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of the grant.

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