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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549								OMB Number:	3235-0287		
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(Print or Type ]	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> SMITH STEPHEN JOSEPH			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN GREETINGS CORP [AM]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/12/2010					Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP-Chief Financial Officer			
Filed(				Amendment, Date Original I(Month/Day/Year)				<ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li> Form filed by More than One Reporting</li> </ul>			
CLEVELA	ND, OH 44144							Person		r8	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-D	erivative (	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	ransaction Date 2A. Deemed onth/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securit m(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	•	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Class A Common Shares	05/12/2010			M	11,000	, ,	\$ 18.12	32,220	D		
Class A Common Shares	05/12/2010			S <u>(1)</u>	11,000	D	\$ 25	21,220	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 D S (1
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 18.12	05/12/2010		М	11,000	(2)	05/01/2018	Class A Common Shares	11,000	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer		Other		
SMITH STEPHEN JOSEPH ONE AMERICAN ROAD CLEVELAND, OH 44144			SVP-Chief F	inancial Officer			
Signatures							
Catherine M. Kilbane, Power o Smith	f Attorne	y for Stephe	n J.	05/13/2010			

<u>\*\*</u>Signature of Reporting Person

## **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) Transaction was made pursuant to the reporting person's 10b5-1 Plan.
- (2) This option is fully vested as of May 1, 2010.

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