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SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 1)\*

American Greetings Corporation

(Name of Issuer)

Class A Common Shares, \$1.00 par value

(Title of Class of Securities)

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026375105

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(CUSIP Number)

September 30, 2006

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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SEC 1745 (03-06) Page 1 of 4 pages \_\_\_\_\_ CUSIP No. 026375105 13G \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Reporting Person 1. I.R.S. Identification No. of above Person Goldman Sachs Asset Management, L.P. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (a) [\_] (b) [\_] \_\_\_\_\_ 3. SEC Use Only \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Citizenship or Place of Organization Delaware \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Sole Voting Power Number of 3,539,471 \_\_\_\_\_ Shares 6. Shared Voting Power Beneficially 0 Owned by \_\_\_\_\_ Each 7. Sole Dispositive Power 5,782,709 Reporting \_\_\_\_\_ Person 8. Shared Dispositive Power With:

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9.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person			
		5,782,7	709	
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares			
				[_]
11.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)			
		10.4%		
12.	Type of Reporting Person			
		IA		
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Item	4.		Ownershi	ip. *
		(a).		peneficially owned: response(s) to Item 9 on the attached cover page(s).
		(b).		of Class: response(s) to Item 11 on the attached cover page(s).
	(c). Number of shares as to which such person has:			of shares as to which such person has:
			(i).	Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: See the response(s) to Item 5 on the attached cover page(s).
			(ii).	Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: See the response(s) to Item 6 on the attached cover page(s).
			(iii).	Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: See the response(s) to Item 7 on the attached cover page(s).
			(iv).	Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: See the response(s) to Item 8 on the attached cover page(s).
Item	10.	10. Certification. By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issued of the securities and were not acquired and are not held for connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.		

 $<sup>\</sup>star$  In accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") Release No. 34-39538 (January 12, 1998), this filing reflects the securities beneficially

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## SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: October 10, 2006

GOLDMAN SACHS ASSET MANAGEMENT, L.P.

By: /s/ Andrea Louro DeMar \_\_\_\_\_\_Name: Andrea Louro DeMar Title: Attorney-in-fact

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