#### MACDONALD WILLIAM E III

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### 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 * MACDONALD WILLIAM E III			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)			
(Last) C/O ONE Al	(First) (M	iddle)		e of Earliest Transaction h/Day/Year) b/2010			_X Director Officer (gives) below)		6 Owner er (specify	
(Street) CLEVELAND, OH 44144			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State) (Z	Zip)	Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Executio any	med n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or of (D)	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)	
Class A Common Shares							1,000	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)

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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)	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	\$ 24.69	05/03/2010		A	15,000	<u>(1)</u>	05/03/2020	Class A Common Shares	15,000

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MACDONALD WILLIAM E III C/O ONE AMERICAN ROAD CLEVELAND, OH 44144	X					

### **Signatures**

Catherine M. Kilbane, Power of Attorney for William E. MacDonald, III

05/04/2010

\*\*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) This option will vest equally on each of the first and second anniversaries of the grant date.

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