

Beeder John W  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Beeder John W

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)  
04/26/2013

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior Vice President

CLEVELAND, OH 44144  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class A Common Shares	04/26/2013		A		15,525 (1)	A	\$ 0
Class A Common Shares					60,074.14	I	(2)

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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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Beeder John W ONE AMERICAN ROAD CLEVELAND, OH 44144			Senior Vice President	

## Signatures

Christopher W. Haffke, Power of Attorney for John W. Beeder 04/30/2013

\_\_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 performance shares granted to the reporting person on May 25, 2012, and credited to the account of the reporting person. The reporting person's right to receive the common shares represented by these performance shares is subject to vesting where the performance shares will vest, and the underlying shares will be issued, on February 28, 2015, based on the continued employment of the reporting person. Under the terms of the agreement and plan of merger (the "Merger Agreement"), dated March 29, 2013, by and among American Greetings Corporation, Century Intermediate Holding Company ("Parent"), and Century Merger Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent, if the merger contemplated thereby is completed, it is expected that these performance shares would remain outstanding and be subject to existing terms and conditions, except that the performance shares would represent only the right to receive a cash payment upon vesting rather than Class A common shares.
  - (2) Represents the number of shares allocated to the account of the reporting person under the Corporation's Executive Officers Deferred Compensation Plan, including dividend equivalents credited with respect to any dividends paid on the issuer's common shares.

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