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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement AMERICAN GREETINGS CORP [AM] WEISS ELIE (Month/Day/Year) 08/04/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O AMERICAN GREETINGS (Check all applicable) CORPORATION, Â ONE AMERICAN ROAD \_X\_ 10% Owner Director (Street) Officer Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person CLEVELAND, OHÂ 44144 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Class B Common Stock 23,430 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 4)	Price of Derivative	Derivative Security:	(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	01/27/2007	Class B Common Stock	31,250	\$ 29.5	I	By Trust
Right to Acquire Indirect Interest	(2)	(2)	Class B Common Stock	445,454	\$ <u>(3)</u>	I	By LLC

#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
		10% Owner	Officer	Other		
WEISS ELIE						
C/O AMERICAN GREETINGS CORPORATION	Â	ÂΧ	â	â		
ONE AMERICAN ROAD	А	АЛ	А	А		
CLEVELAND, OH 44144						

## **Signatures**

Catherine M. Kilbane, Power of Attorney for Elie
Weiss

08/11/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The Option became exercisable with respect to 7,813 shares on the 27th day of each of January 1998 and 1999, and with respect to 7,812 shares on the 27th day of each of January 2000 and 2001.
  - On August 4, 2006, the Reporting Person acquired the right to purchase membership interests in the Irving I. Stone Limited Liability
- (2) Company (the "LLC") on or before August 11, 2006, which represents 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.
- (3) Not applicable.

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