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HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR THE FAMILY

Great Gifts the Whole Family Can Enjoy

North Olmsted, Ohio – Perfume for mom, a tie for dad and underwear for the kids – not this holiday season! Break out of the routine of boring and unimaginative gifts and save up for some really cool things for the whole family.

In a recent survey conducted by retailer Circuit City of 1,500 parents surveyed nationwide, 52 percent said they will shop this year for a big holiday gift the family can enjoy together. So what are the latest gifts for 2003? Read on to discover items to satisfy any budget, appeal to those who seem to have everything, and provide fun and relaxation for the family.

Digital Video Recorder (DVR)

According to Steve Greenberg with *Smart HomeOwner* magazine, one of the hottest family items this holiday season is Replay TV 4000 which uses a high speed Internet connection which allows users to share video clips recorded onto a hard drive with other family members or friends. Now you can trade family videos, favorite movies, TV programs or any video from one Replay to another and as compared to other DVRs, Replay has no monthly service fees. Costs depend on the size of the hard drive storage – 40 hours of storage costs \$700. For more information, see www.replaytv.com.

Home Organizer

At work you can't live without your Palm Pilot, now bring organization into your home. Simpliciti's Home Organizer stores soccer schedules, phone numbers, grocery lists and family recipes. And, this information can be printed out so the whole family can stay connected. This PDA is available for \$139, see www.simpliciti.com.

Massaging Showerhead

A gift everyone can enjoy is a new showerhead, especially one that offers a continuous control to make it easy for each member of the family to customize the spray pattern they prefer. Moen's Revolution™ showerhead takes ordinary water, spins each drop, then twirls the entire stream. From a rainlike shower to a deep, therapeutic massage and anything in between, Revolution technology offers a unique showering sensation. The increased speed in movement of the water drops results in a perception of higher flow, higher pressure and the sensation of a massaging shower. The product is available from \$60 to \$66, visit www.moen.com/revolution for more details.

Jukebox

Today's latest jukeboxes fit in your pocket to travel with you. Forget about quarters, the Archos Jukebox Recorder 20 is the first, portable MP3 recorder with a 20GB hard drive. According to Greenberg, it can record directly from any audio source (stereo, CD player radio, etc.) with up to 300 hours of top quality music. It also has a built-in microphone and there's no need for special software to download MP3 songs. It lets families merge an entire collection of MP3s and CDs into one hand-held device for \$320. For more information, go to www.archos.com.

Single Cup Coffee Maker

Mom likes a special blend, dad prefers it strong and grandma will only drink fresh roast. Now there is a way to customize a cup of java for each family member. The Keurig Single Cup Brewer can fix a cup of coffee in under a minute – for those mornings when waiting for a whole pot to brew is out of the question (or when most of the pot will be thrown away). This coffee maker sells for \$249, click on www.keurig.com.

Flat Screen TV

In the "Circuit City Dashing Through Your List Survey," almost a quarter of respondents said they would like a new television for the holidays. Today's hottest models are the super slim flat panel TVs which can mount on a wall and don't take up precious living space. Sharp's Aquos brand ranges in price from \$360 to \$700 and can be found at www.hardwarecentral.com.

DVD Burner

For years you have been relying on your VCR to record your favorite shows and your DVD to provide high-quality movies and all those extra outtakes that come with today's latest DVD releases. Now, a new product combines the best of both worlds. The Panasonic DMR-E60 DVD is both a player and recorder that not only plays your favorite movies, but also allows you to burn movies and TV shows onto a DVD disc. With the latest releases this holiday season including family favorites such as "Finding Nemo," "Sea Biscuit," and "Lord of the Rings Two Towers," you'll want to have this DVD burner on hand. The cost is \$599, visit www.video-direct.com/panasonic/dvd for complete information.

Family Games

Turn off the TV and turn on the family fun with games the whole family can enjoy. These are the same games you enjoyed as a child that now are available for the next generation. Purchase classics such as *Scrabble*, *Yahtzee*, *Sorry*, and *Life*. Some games even offer new twists on old favorites such as Lord of the Rings and Disney editions of *Monopoly* or Simpsons and Scooby-Doo versions of *Clue*. You'll find this is a great way to stay connected throughout the year. Prices range from \$10 to \$35 depending on the game, visit www.hasbro.com. Or, if your family is more of the high-tech type, try the new *Scene It* game which provides a DVD with movie clips, on-screen challenges and movie trivia. Learn more about this \$50 game at www.giveagame.com.

The BIG Remote

If your family is continually losing the remote control, you might want to invest in the Big Remote this holiday season. It is the size of a man's shoes and will not easily slip

between the couch cushions. And, it has extra large, backlit buttons which can easily be read by children or seniors. The Big Remote has been pre-programmed to operate most popular TVs, VCRs and cable boxes. It costs \$40 from www.SmartHome.com.

For more information about Moen products, contact Moen Incorporated at 25300 Al Moen Drive, North Olmsted, Ohio 44070-8022, call toll free 1-800-BUY MOEN (1-800-289-6636) or visit its web site at www.moen.com.

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