Spice Up Holiday Greetings With Digital Photo Slide Shows

(NAPSA)—The holiday season is a time to catch up with family and friends via cards and newsletters. Instead of only writing about your life, wouldn't it be nice to show it?

You can do this by turning family photos into DVD or CD digital photo slide shows to watch on TV. Take your favorite photos and transform them into entertaining slide shows, complete with music, narration, titles and a winter holiday-themed DVD menu background. You can even include video clips.

All you need is a computer, a scanner (if your photos aren't in a digital format), a CD or DVD burner, and DVD/CD creation software, such as Ulead DVD PictureShow 2 Digital Camera Suite.

Once your photos are in a digital format, you can remove redeye or add special photo effects to create an artistic look. Next, drag and drop photos into the software's straight-forward storyboard. Add descriptions, captions, music, and pick from over 40 different transitions such as fades, spirals, and dissolves. With a microphone, narrate each photo to liven up your slide show. You can also add and trim video clips.

If you have a lot of photos, create multiple slide shows with numerous photos in each one. You can also bring in short video clips to include as separate chapter thumbnails on your DVD.

Once your slide show is finished, choose from a variety of menu backgrounds including 50 fall and winter holiday-themes such as Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and more. Or, use your own images.

Personalize your holiday DVD with a menu title such as "Holiday Greetings from the Smith Family." You can also add catchy titles to



Digital slide shows are a wonderful way to share news and bring loved ones closer together.

describe each slide show on your DVD.

Preview your slide show project on your computer before you burn it to DVD or CD. You can easily go back to fix it or add new photos or video clips.

The software offers three different output options. You can create a DVD which will play on a standard DVD player or on a computer that has DVD player software. If you only have a CD burner, you can burn a slide show project to a CD in the Video CD (VCD) format. A VCD can play on most standard DVD players. Once you decide on the format, simply click "burn." To add a final personal touch, create a customized CD label with DVD PictureShow's CD label printing feature.

Family and friends will be pleasantly surprised to pop your DVD or CD into their DVD player and watch your photos on TV.

With DVD slide show creation software, capturing and sharing the memorable events in your life is fun and easy. DVD PictureShow is available for under \$50 at computer stores or directly from Ulead at www.ulead.com.

To get the best deal, you can compare prices over the Internet with PriceGrabber.com.