

(NAPSA)—When it comes to gift giving, the most treasured gifts are often those that come from the heart. This holiday season consider using technology to make the holidays even more memorable. A digital camera, an ink-jet printer and holidaythemed specialty papers can help you make unique and affordable presents and cards, right from the convenience of your own home.

Digital imaging is more affordable than ever and new advances in hardware have made printing high-quality photos fast, easy and straightforward-even without the use of a PC. Photo printers, such as the portable HP Photosmart 475 Photo Printer available at Staples, offer high-quality photos for photo enthusiasts on the go. Delivering the power of a PC in a printer, the 475 features a built-in handle, 2.5-inch color display, and prints 5 x 7-inch, 4 x 6-inch and 4 x 12-inch photos that resist fading for generations. It is also the only printer of its kind that stores photos-more than 1000-with 1.5 GB of internal memory.

An office supply superstore can be a great destination for one-stop holiday shopping. You can shop for a wide range of digital cameras as well as specialty printing supplies to create cards and gifts at home. Here are some ideas for projects that can be printed at home to help make this holiday season special:

• Place cards—The holidays are about getting together with family and friends, so make guests feel welcome with their own customized place card. Incorporate a photo by scanning it using an all-in-one printer. Print on colorful paper with the guest's



name to make a holiday meal even more special.

• Personalized greeting cards —Create your own greeting cards with family photos and your own choice of font and personal messages. Print them on high-quality Staples Greeting Card paper, which comes in a variety of holiday patterns.

• Holiday ornaments—Today's photo printers make it easy for kids to print with the press of a button, so kids can join in the holiday spirit by making personalized gifts. Simply print photos on photo paper, embellish with your own personal touch and hang them from the tree.

• Scrapbooks—Preserve holiday memories by creating your own scrapbook with photos, favorite holiday quotes, a letter to Santa and other mementos. Miniscrapbooks make great gifts, and with at-home printing technology you can create them for family and friends while guests are still in town.

• Thank-you notes—Let loved ones know how much you appreciate their thoughtfulness by enclosing a photo with a hand-written thank-you note.

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