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## **A Debt of Gratitude: *Affordable Father's Day gift ideas***

Newton, MA – June 5, 2007 – With taxes due in April, Mother's Day in May, and now Father's Day this month, Spring can cost you a lot of money if you don't keep an eye on your spending. How can you pay tribute to Dad this Father's Day while still sticking to your budget?

Here are a few money-saving suggestions:

- **Look for greeting cards online.** Why spend an extra two to five dollars for a brand name greeting card when there are many web sites that offer printable Father's Day cards or e-cards for free?
- **Make a Father's Day Mix CD.** Gather up all of your dad's favorite CDs and pick a few tracks from each to burn onto a blank CD and to make 'Dad's Greatest Hits!'
- **Utilize your dad's favorite photos.** Go through your family photo albums and find pictures of your dad's favorite places, trips or parties. Enlarge a few and frame them for your father's office. Nothing will motivate Dad more than looking at his vintage Mustang or the golf course where he shot two under par!
- **Customize a VHS/DVD.** Instead of paying fifty to eighty dollars for an entire season of your dad's favorite sitcom or TV drama, be resourceful and record an episode of his favorite show each night in syndication. After a few weeks you'd be surprised at how many episodes you'll have accumulated.
- **Give the gift of savings.** Buy your father a book of gift certificates to the places that he goes to but always hates paying the bill. Your dad will be relieved when he can just reach for a gift certificate when he's passing through the car wash, the oil changing service or gas station.

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