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# Agenda

- Strategic Overview
- Broadcasting Overview
- Publishing Overview

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#### Break

- Integrated Marketing
- Interactive Media
- Financial Update
- Q&A

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## A Decade of Media Platform Growth

















Late 1990's

2002

## A Decade of Media Platform Growth











2003 2005 2006

# Fiscal 2007 Investment Activity

- Core businesses
  - Creative
  - Circulation
  - News expansions
  - Brand building
- Online expansions
  - BHG.com
  - Parents.com
  - Broadcasting sites
- Meredith Video Solutions











# Portfolio Management

- Acquisitions
  - O'Grady Meyers
  - Genex
  - New Media Strategies
  - ReadyMade
  - Healia
- Divestitures
  - Child
  - Bend
  - Chattanooga (in process)











## Great Brands and Properties

- 25 subscription magazines
- 180 special interest publications
- 13 television stations
- 40+ Web sites
- 400 books
- Marketing relationships with America's leading companies



### **Broad Customer Reach**

- 85 million name database
- 75 million monthly magazine readers
- 10 percent of U.S. television households
- 12 million monthly unique online visitors







## Strong Online Businesses and Brands

- 43 Web sites: 25 Publishing; 18 Broadcasting
- 12 million unique visitors monthly
- 150 million page views monthly
- 2.8 million Internet subscriptions
- More than 1 million video clips streamed monthly
- Operating profit up more than 50%





## Growth Strategies

- Maximize margin opportunity in Broadcasting
- Strengthen and grow Publishing business and brands
- Integrate and expand custom marketing businesses
- Expand online and video platforms



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## Meredith Broadcasting Group



## Broadcasting Growth Strategies

- Increase and monetize ratings
  - Expand and improve news
  - Execute sales strategies
- Grow new revenue streams
  - Capitalize on Web potential
  - Develop Meredith Video Solutions

## Expand and Improve News

### **Morning News**

	May 2002	May 2007
Portland – FOX	17	33
Las Vegas – FOX	7	12
Hartford – CBS	30	34
Nashville – NBC	20	24
Kansas City - CBS	14	16

## Expand and Improve News

### **Late News - Big 3 Markets**

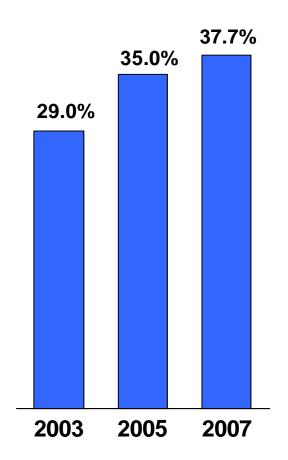
	May 2002		May 2007			
	Rating	Share	Ad Rate	Rating	Share	Ad Rate
Atlanta	3.3	6	\$650	3.6	7	\$850
Phoenix	3.7	6	\$400	5.9	10	\$1,250
Portland	4.5	8	\$600	6.7	13	\$700

# Monetize ratings growth

#### Revenue

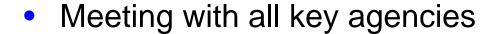
# \$350 \$310 \$270 2003 2005 2007

#### **EBITDA Margin**



# Capture Early Political Dollars

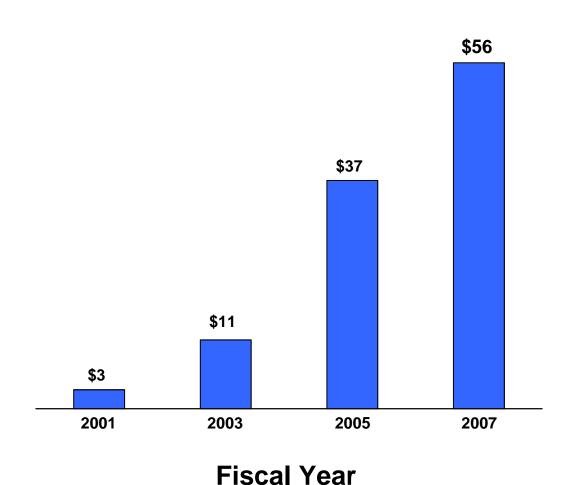
### **Action Steps**





- Create pro-active presentations on maturing FOX demos
- Discuss Web site advertising with agencies and candidates
- Hold Washington D.C. reception in late September 2007

## Grow New Revenue Streams







## Capitalize on Web Potential

### **Enhance Broadcasting Sites**

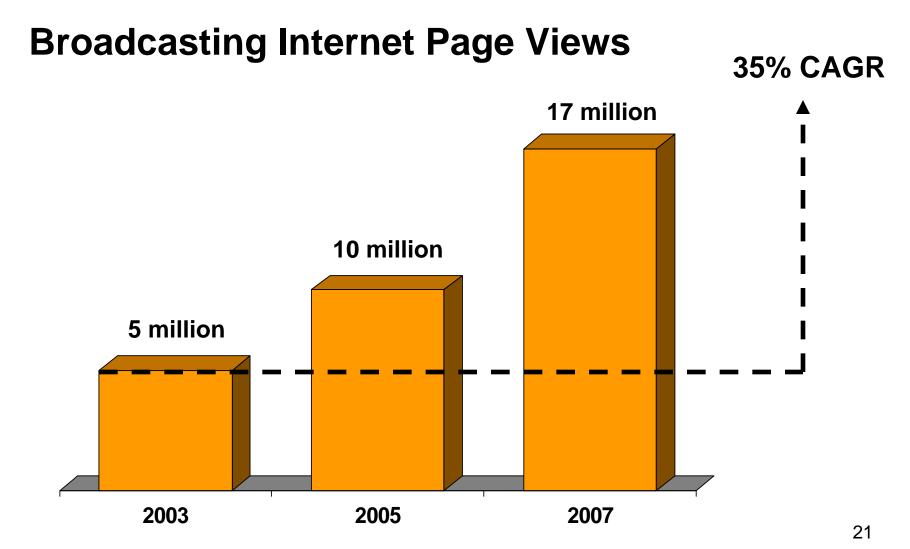
- Invested in new technology
- Redesigned all Web sites
- Added dedicated creative personnel
- Hired dedicated Internet sellers

#### Results

- Traffic up significantly
- Revenues more than doubled in FY2007



## Capitalize on Web Potential







- Better.tv
- www.BHG.com

- Parents.tv
- www.parents.com

Better television show

### **Collaborative Approach**

- Publishing brands, content and promotion
- Broadcasting resources and production expertise
- Interactive Media traffic, sales and platform







### **Content Strategy and Development**



- Over 20 channels
- Library of over 1,000 video assets
- 2-30 minute segments
- Producing 20 hours a week



- Channels include:
  - "Doc Talk"
  - "It Moms"
  - "New Moms Club"
- Producing new content monthly
- Building library of assets

### Monetizing the Better Brand

#### Broadband network:

- Advertising spots
- Sponsorships
- Product placement

#### Television show:

- Local advertising
- Sponsorships
- Product placement
- Syndication to other groups

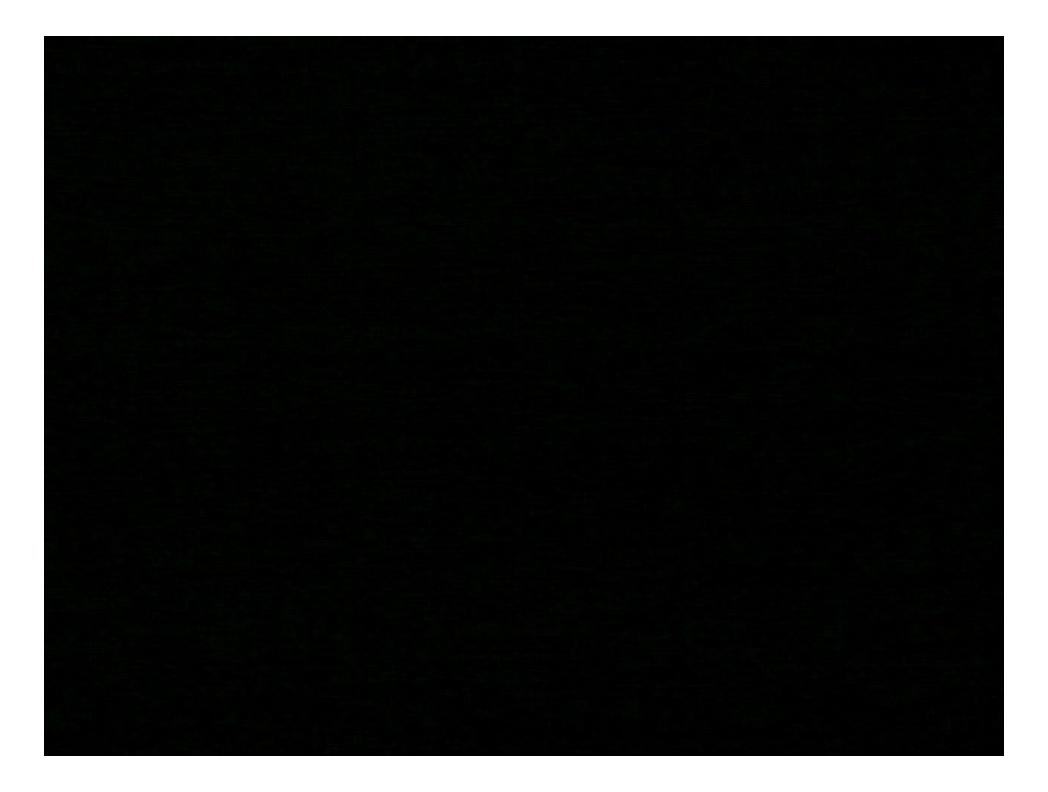












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#### Meredith Speaks to Women on Subject Matter They Care About Most

75 Million Women at Every Adult Lifestage



# Advertising Category Mix

	Calendar 2001	Calendar 2007
Food	12%	19%
Pharmaceutical	7%	13%
Direct Response	17%	12%
Home	24%	11%
Cosmetics	7%	11%
Non-DTC	3%	6%
Retail	4%	4%
Travel	5%	4%

## Publishing Growth Strategies

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  - Enhance vibrancy of brands
  - Build on strengthening sales performance
- Expand and integrate custom marketing business
- Expand online and video platforms

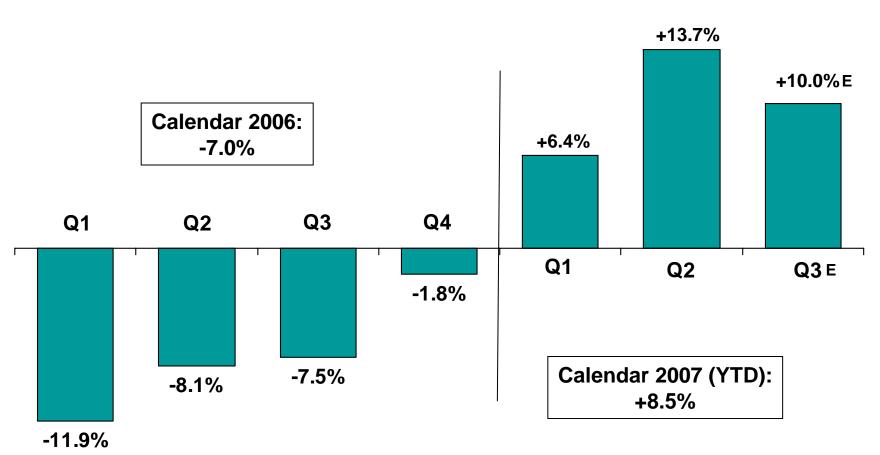
#### Better Homes and Gardens

- Re-crafted editorial product
  - Readership up 5-10 percent
- Improved advertising performance
- Stabilized circulation
  - Renewal rates up 5 percent
  - Newsstand sales up 8 percent
- Relaunched BHG.com
- Expanded brand licensing activities
  - Universal Furniture
  - International





#### Better Homes and Gardens Advertising Revenues



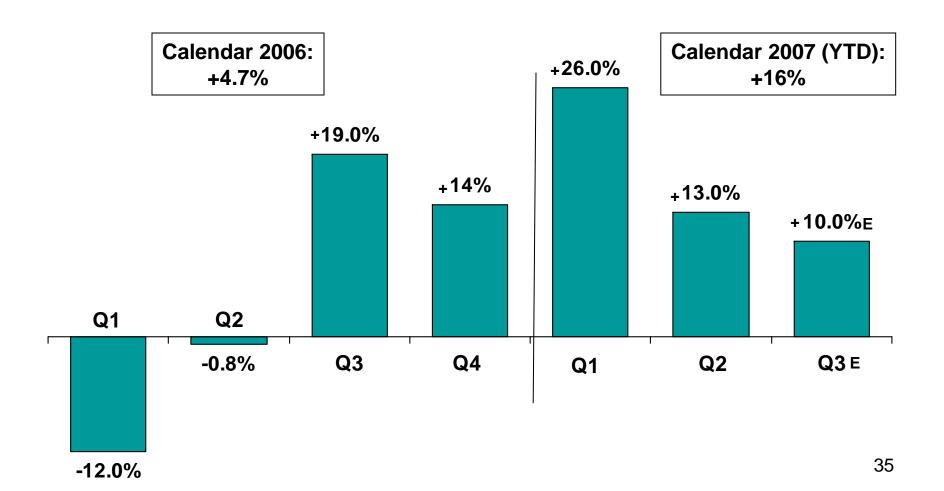
### Family Circle

- Creative improvements
  - Editorial
  - Design
- New sales and marketing leadership
- Circulation initiatives
  - Increased Direct-to-publisher subscriptions from 30% to 60%
  - Newsstand improvements





#### Family Circle Advertising Revenues



#### **Parents**

- New sales leadership
- Circulation initiatives
- Enhanced brand marketing
  - Parents.com
  - Parents.tv
  - Product licensing



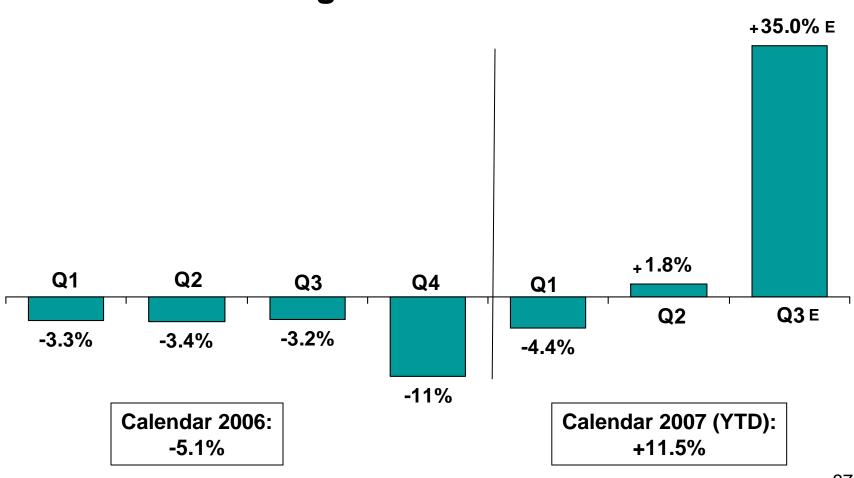






# Enhance Vibrancy of Brands

#### **Parents Advertising Revenues**



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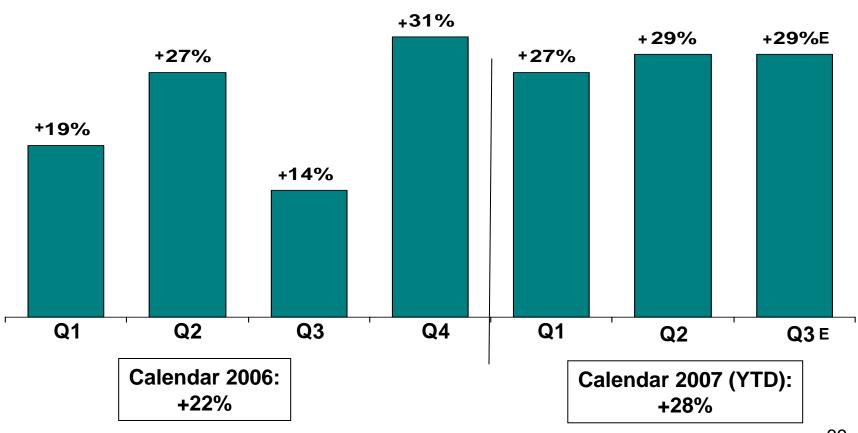
#### More

- Outstanding creative and advertising leadership
- Rate base increases
- Web site development
- Social networking
  - More Model Search
  - More Marathon
  - Online



# Enhance Vibrancy of Brands

#### More Advertising Revenues



# Strengthening Sales Performance

#### **Advertising Revenues: Calendar Year-to-Date**

**BHG** 

**Family Circle** 

**Parents** 

More

**TOTAL GROUP** 

January - September 2006
(-7%)
0%
(-8%)
+22%
0%

January - September 2007
+8.5%
+16%
+11.5%
+28%
+8%

## Strengthening Sales Performance

- Expanded corporate sales group
- Aggregated sales and marketing creative resources

Created Meredith 360°



## Strengthening Sales Performance

#### Meredith 360° Case Study - GE Lighting



Custom video content
High impact inserts
Rich media
P-O-P displays
On-pack promotion

Experiential Purchase In

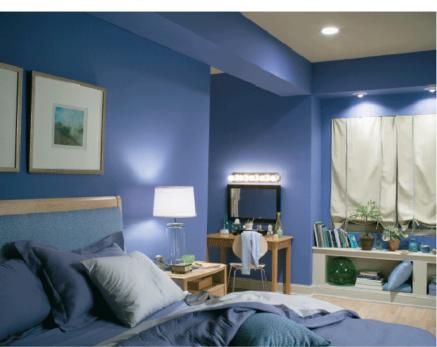
**Purchase Incentive** 

Hand-raising effort

Film production

Custom research













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# Meredith Integrated Marketing

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- Deep breadth of services
- Transformative growth underway
- Not dependent on advertising



### Strong Heritage of Custom Communications

### **Kraft Food & Family**

- Term: 3 years
- Custom magazine
  - 5 times a year
  - 10 million circulation
  - Multiple versions
- Email content



## Deep Breadth of Services: Nestlé



Partnership Development

CUSTOM PUBLISHER		RELATIONSHIP MARKETER
Brand Messaging		Brand Marketing
Awareness/Imagery/ Propensity to purchase		Calls to action; Purchase triggers
Responsive/Executional		Proactive/Strategic
Ink-on-paper/magazine	<b></b>	Discipline-neutral (mail; e-marketing; magazines)
Turn-key, flat fee solutions		Fees, based on blended rates
Vendors		Partners

### O'GRADY\MEYERS

- Acquired in April, 2006
- 60 employees
- Interactive AoR for Nestlé USA
- Expertise includes:
  - CRM strategy online
  - E-branding
  - Web site design and build
- Strength in packaged goods













- Acquired in January, 2007
- 120 employees
- Expertise includes
  - User experience
  - Web site architecture
  - Online application development
  - Leading edge visual design
- Strength in financial services, auto

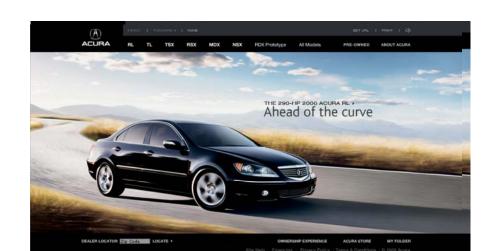














- Acquired in January, 2007
- 70 employees
- Expertise:
  - Word-of-mouth campaigns
  - Online brand promotion and protection
  - Viral marketing



















### The "New" Meredith Integrated Marketing

#### MIM (pre-OGM)

Custom Publishing — Content and Editorial Expertise











#### **OGM**

E-CRM Strategy — Web site design and build — E-Branding











#### Genex

Web site architecture — Application development — Leading edge visual design













#### **NMS**

WOM — Viral — Online Research — Consumer Monitoring









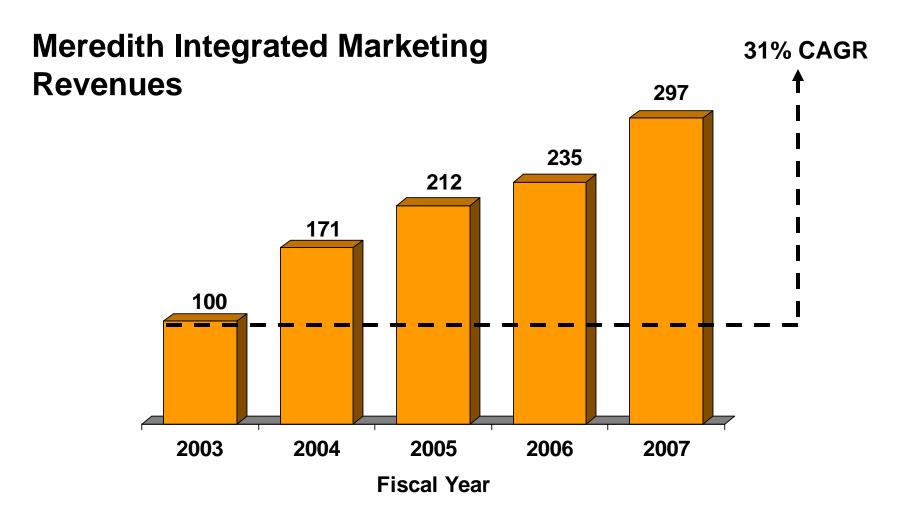








### Significant Non-Advertising Revenue Growth



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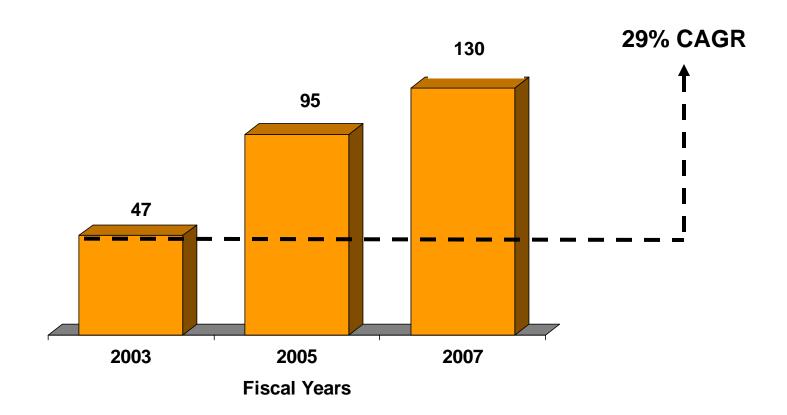




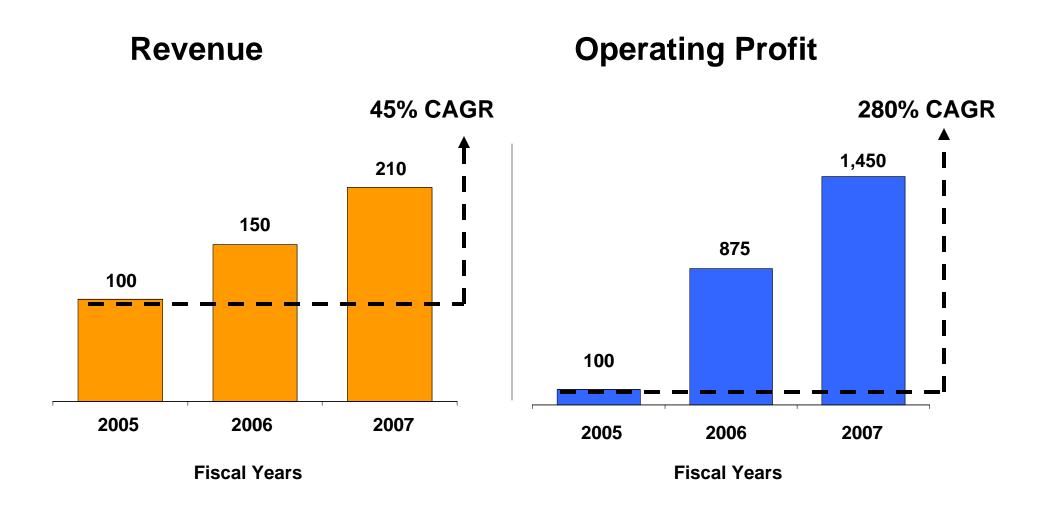
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# Increase Traffic and Loyalty

### **Publishing Internet Page Views**

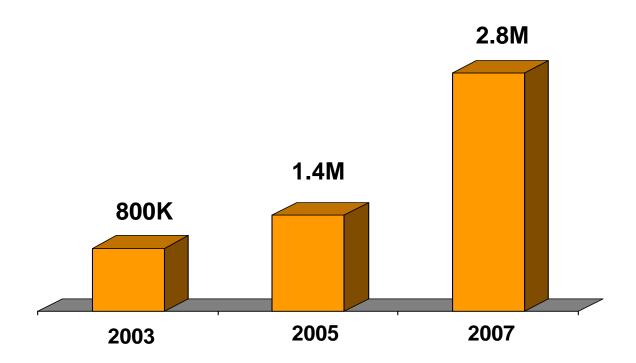


### Continue Aggressive Revenue & Profit Growth



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#### **Internet-Sourced Subscriptions**



# Expand Online and Video Platforms

#### **Growth Initiatives**

- Strengthen position in core categories
- Expand into complementary categories
- Increase traffic and loyalty
- Aggressively grow revenue and profit



## Strengthen Position in Core Categories

### Relaunch Flagship Site: BHG.com

#### Action Taken

- New tools and guides
- Video library
- 10 editor blogs, updated daily

#### Redesign Results

- Page views up 15 percent to 75 million
- Time spent per visitor up 12 percent
- Video streams up from 25k to 650k
- Advertising revenues up 50 percent



## Strengthen Position in Core Categories

### Create Parenthood portal

- Combines American Baby, Parents,
   Child and Family Circle brands
- Brand positioning: From crib to college, more parents more solutions
- Personalization capabilities
- Strong community tools
- Broadband home for Parents.tv



### Expand into Complementary Categories

### Health & Well-Being: Healia



- Consumer search engine
- Focused on health
- Unique technology
- Strong strategic fit
  - Fast-growing category
  - Web under-utilized by advertisers



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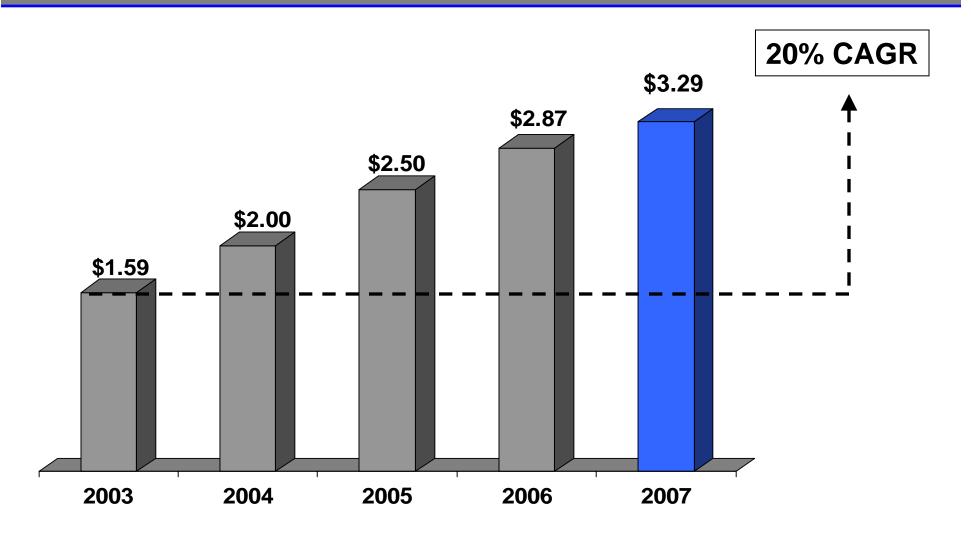
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# Outstanding EPS Growth



# Strong Cash Flow

#### Fiscal 1998 through Fiscal 2007

Free Cash Flow	\$1,100*
Net Debt	500
Deferred Taxes	200
Stock Option Exercises	200
Available Cash	\$2,000
Acquisitions, Net of Dispositions	\$1,200
Share Repurchases	600
Dividends	200
Utilization of Cash	\$2,000

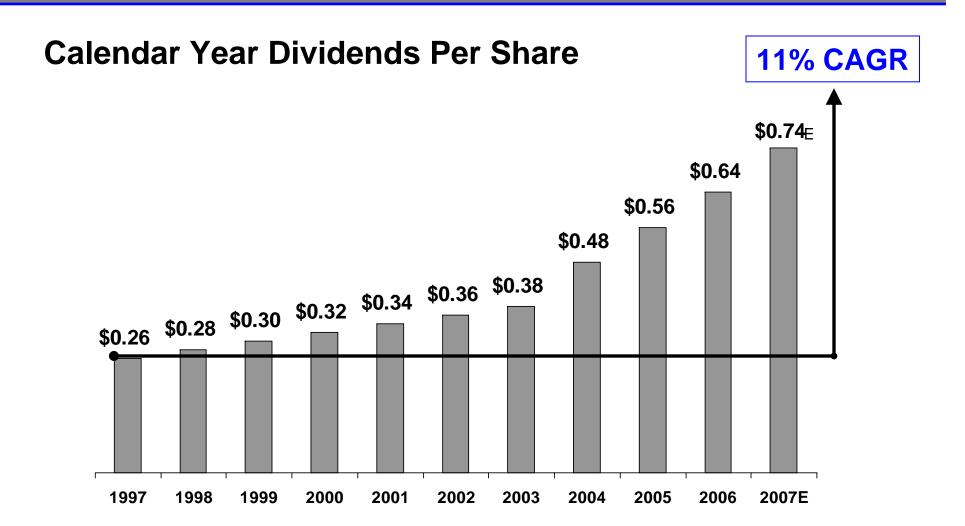
<sup>\*</sup>Defined as net earnings plus depreciation and amortization less capital expenditures excluding special items \$ in millions

### Current Debt Structure

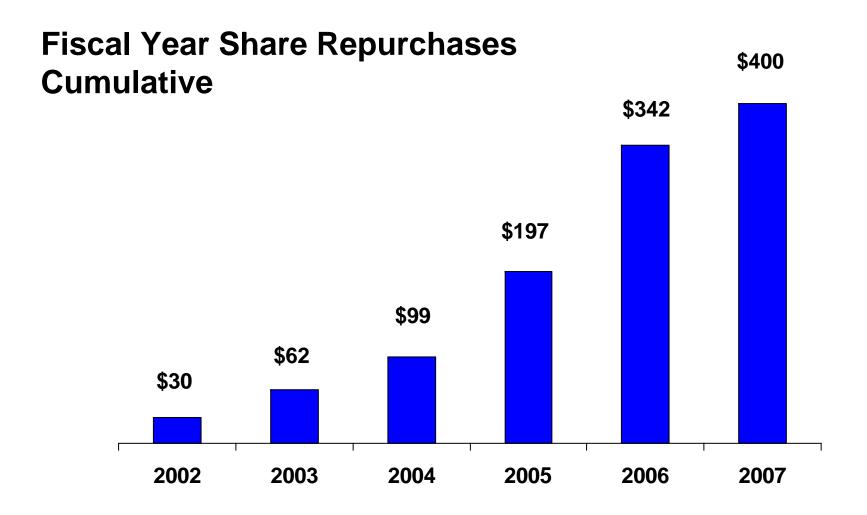
- \$460 million total debt
- 5.0% cost of debt
- 1.3x debt to EBITDA
- 3.75x maximum debt to EBITDA

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# Return Capital to Shareholders



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### Fiscal 2008 Outlook

### September 2007

 Publishing advertising revenue Up Low double digits

Broadcast pacings Down Mid-to-high single digits

 Q1 Fiscal 2008 earnings per share

\$0.67

 Fiscal 2008 earnings per share

\$3.50-\$3.55

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