

THE GOODS AND BADS OF CREDIT CARDS

The GOOD:

- 1. establish a good credit history
- 2. make purchases over the phone/internet
- 3. hold reservations

The BAD:

- 1. generally high interest rates
- 2. easy to spend more than you can afford
- 3. vulnerable to ID theft

The UGLY:

- 1. miss a payment and your interest rate may go up...way up
- 2. miss or pay late, and late fees will be added to your bill
- 3. you would be amazed how fast you can be buried in credit card debt

Best policy: Do not charge any more than you can pay off each month. Avoid all fees and interest charges. Use your card as a convenience.