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What's new: Auto collision shop opens in Boise, Show 2 Go sites open in Meridian and MacLife computer store opens in BoDo

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Maaco Collision Repair & Auto Painting has a new center at 3236 E. Amity Road.

Maaco Franchising Inc., headquartered in King of Prussia, Pa., has 475 Maaco centers across the U.S. The businesses repair and paint more than 750,000 vehicles each year, according to representatives.

"Most vehicles eventually get dinged, dented or worse," said Jeff Leonard, owner of the new Maaco center in Boise. "About one in eight will suffer physical damage each year, but only one in 16 will have a claim filed. High deductibles and fear of rising premiums are the reasons many Boise drivers hesitate about reporting accidents to their insurance companies."

Maaco uses original-equipment replacement parts, Leonard said, but also offers quality aftermarket cosmetic panels and other ways to economize.

"Spot painting following the repair of a newer vehicle helps maintain resale value," Leonard said. "When you have an older vehicle with a dull surface, complete repainting can actually increase resale value."

Business hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m.-noon Saturday. Phone: 342-3332.

Show 2 Go sites open in Meridian

Show 2 Go offers 24-hour access to movie rentals, espresso, cappuccino and concession items, along with Visa card and ATM services. It is located at 2498 E. Fairview Ave., Suite 16. Two additional Show 2 Go sites are at Rocky Mountain Fitness locations in Eagle and on ParkCenter Boulevard in Boise.

The self-serve locations, owned by William and Sandra Harshman, are managed by remote cameras and a computer. The Harshmans are associated with Charge 2 Card Corp., Posdiscount.com and The Lightkeepers Limited Partnership.

For more information and a free membership card, visit www.freeshow2go.com.

MacLife computer store opens in BoDo

Boise may not have an official Apple retail store, as Portland and Seattle do, but now it has two independent Apple-certified specialty stores.

A second MacLife store opened in Boise Tuesday at 421 S. 8th St.

The company already runs a store at 8610 Overland Road.

Like the Overland store, the Downtown MacLife carries a full line of Apple products and has an in-house service department.

Some customers got a sneak preview during First Thursday last week. The store's official grand opening will be during First Thursday on April 2.

Store hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday to Saturday.

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