

Making The Most Of Time Spent Together

Family Gatherings Provide Instant Fun and Lasting Memories

(NAPSA)—Family gatherings provide an opportunity to reunite with loved ones and create lasting memories. Weddings, reunions and the holidays all mark special occasions that can bring families together and help them “click” instantly—often after long periods apart.

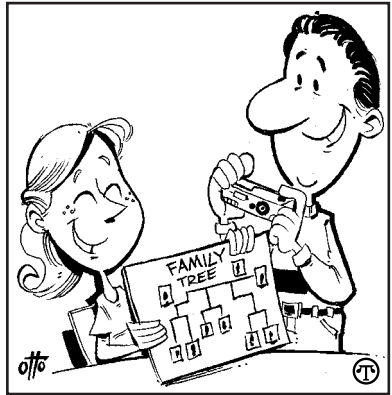
For adults, family gatherings are a time to catch up and enjoy conversation. For children, family gatherings provide an opportunity to learn about family history, which can create an important sense of belonging and pride.

According to a recent national poll, conducted by Harris Interactive/Modern Woodmen of America, 90 percent of Americans feel spending time with extended family is important. The research also found nearly four out of five Americans agree they would like to get together more often with family—but 75 percent say staying in touch with family members can be difficult. Hectic work and school schedules, personal obligations and distances apart all play a major role.

“It can be challenging for families to find the time to get together, so it’s important to make the most of the time we do have with one another,” said Jennifer Crichton, renowned family expert and author of *Family Reunion: Everything You Need to Know to Plan Unforgettable Get-Togethers*. “Planning activities that the entire family can enjoy helps bring us closer together, provides instant fun and leaves us with lasting memories.”

To celebrate the launch of its “Click Instantly” game, Polaroid created a list of activities that can help families make the most of their time together:

- **Create a photo family tree** using markers, a piece of poster board and an instant camera like



Roots Of Family—Making a family tree at your next get-together can be a fun way to teach family history.

the Polaroid i-Zone, which uses instant sticker film. Children can learn about their family’s history and how they fit in by sticking a photo next to the name of each family member.

- **Create a family scrapbook** that can be enjoyed throughout the years. Photos of Mom and Grandma preparing the holiday feast and Grandpa and Grandson tossing the football are moments that can easily be captured for instant enjoyment and timeless recollection with instant photos.

- **Plant a tree** with the entire family and make it a tradition to document the tree’s growth every time the family comes together with instant photography. The photo can be dated with a permanent marker and easily stored.

While it can be challenging for families to find the time to come together, it’s easy to make the most of these special occasions with activities that create instant fun and lasting memories. For more information on how to capture your special family gathering memories, visit www.polaroid.com/clickinstantly.