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Hello,

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family.

This November newsletter highlights documenting family history during the holidays with a few questions to ask your family members so that everyone can remember those great family stories even after the holiday dinner.

Plus, three quick tips for staying organized during the holidays.

**Enjoy!
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[Documenting Family History During the Holidays](#)

It happens every year... family members from near and far come together to celebrate the holidays. We linger around the tables and reminisce about the past, share what is currently happening and look bright to the future. Young and old family members enjoy the shared stories and funny jokes, and each of us returns home feeling a bit more connected than before because we know even more about our great family.

However, shortly after this great time together, many of us start to have trouble remembering the details of these great stories. Does this sound familiar? Yes, of course it does! My challenge for you this holiday season is to document the great stories of your family

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to be remembered holiday after holiday.

Here are 3 questions each to ask each family member (Grandparents, Parents, Aunts/Uncles, Siblings and Nieces/Nephews). First, use these questions (or create some of your own) and print out the questions for each family member to answer and then place the pages in a binder or an album bring out each year to remember these great stories. This way you will never forget those great family stories.

Grandparents:

Tell us about your greatest challenge and how you made it through?

What did you do for fun as a child?

What did you think when you first met Grandma/Grandpa?

Parents:

What traditions did you have while growing up?

What great historical event happened that you strongly remember?

What are the details that you remember from your wedding day?

Aunts/Uncles:

What was it like growing up in this family?

What is your favorite family memory?

What similarities do you see in the family?

Siblings:

What is the greatest lesson you learned from Mom and/or Dad?

What do you love about your hometown?

Which traditions from your youth do you wish to continue in your family?

Nieces/Nephews:

What is your favorite treat at your Grandparents house?

What do you like the most about your parents?

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

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3 Tips for Staying Organized during the Holidays:

1. Simplify your shopping: buy online or at one mall.
2. Holiday notebook: keep track of your gifts, dinner menus, guests list, receipts, card lists and invitations. Keep this all together so that you can bring it out each year.

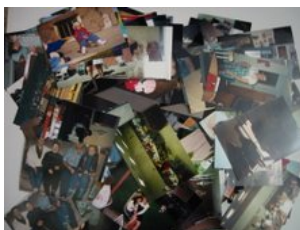
Here is a suggestion: [Organized Planner](#)

3. Keep all your gift wrapping together either stowed in a container or set-up as gift wrapping station that can stay up throughout the holiday season (surprise: this is not the dining room table).

Here is a suggestion: [Gift Wrap Organizer](#)

Enjoy your [Vision to be Organized](#) Holidays!

Photo Workshop



Do you have un-organized photos, want them organized in the New Year?

How about attending a Photo Organizing Workshop? Physical Photos in one workshop and Digital Photos in another

workshop. I am in the process of creating Photo Organizing Workshops, so please let me know if you are interested or maybe you know someone that could use a photo organizing workshop.

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**2011 Los Angeles
Organizing Awards**



The sixth annual Awards will be celebrated over the weekend of January 29 - 30, 2011.

Los Angeles, CA-NAPO-LA continues to bring innovation to the industry this year as we honor those that stand out in the organizing industry: starting with a Red Carpet Cocktail Reception featuring a Gala Industry Exchange. A multitude of exhibitors will feature new products, services, books, closet systems and accessories and technology and office products, all designed to showcase the benefits of better personal productivity, time saving techniques and the advantages of living in a streamlined home and office environment - just what the organizing awards are all about. Next, get your 15 minutes of fame on the red carpet where various media outlets will be present to

Thank you for reading this November Newsletter. Enjoy your Thanksgiving!

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capture your finest words on film. Not-to-be-missed are the fabulous prizes being raffled off throughout the evening, and, of course, an exciting and memorable celebration of our industry during an elegant dinner and awards show.

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