International Family Magazine Celebrates Siblings Around the World

In the September 2010 issue International Family Magazine will honor the uniqueness of the sibling bond as it shares stories of connection and commitment that transcend the boundaries of everyday relations. In keeping with its mission of celebrating the diversity of the New Global Family, including single parent households, adoptive families, multi-cultural, bi-racial and transracial families, it opens the door further to include “non-traditional sibling” relationships as well.

New York, NY (PRWEB) September 10, 2010 -- This month, IF Editor Cat Wayland talks about the “subfamily” of siblings in her newly launched IF mag blog. “Sometimes we raise each other”, says Catherine Wayland. “That was true with my sister, brother and I. Siblings can compete with one another, but they can also be a big part of raising another sibling. Sometimes a parent is sickly, working or just plain 'absent' and brothers and sisters will step in and fill the gap. This 'subfamily' is a critical area of family life all around the world, regardless of cultural influence. It is another story that connects us all."

Cheryl Paley, New Global Family Editor and Columnist, and mother to Zoe, born in Guatemala, draws upon the wisdom of Dr. Suess’ “Horton Hatches an Egg” as she describes the sibling-like bond her daughter has created with a group of Guatemalan adoptee friends she has known since infancy. It is a testament to how, in finding “sameness,” people become whole. Paley and Dr. Suess will have readers laughing, crying and honoring the bonds shares with lifelong friends.

Daphne Gregory chronicles shares the complexities of the Blended Family in her piece, “Family One Family Two.” It is a patchwork quilt of hope, struggle and a search for connection as Gregory, an adopted child, navigates back and forth between her original, adoptive family and the family her father makes with his 2nd wife and their children. Blended families are a growing sector of family life as people divorce and remarry.

Grandma Ellen goes straight to the heart of the matter, reminding us that sometimes, no matter how fraught with the realities of our adult struggles, blood is still blood, and it is something to be cherished. Rebecca Kendall’s “One Sister, Two Brothers” is a probing look at how siblings are similar or different in both personality and perspective. The commonality that her siblings share with her is the life they lived and remembered as children. That connection allowed the diversity of their individuality thread a lasting union between them.

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"So… call your brother, have lunch with your sister or your best friend who has always been there for you like a sister, and come join us at International Family Magazine as we celebrate Brothers, Sisters and all things Sibling!"

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