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Cover: Snapshots provide a moment of coherence in the midst of the often-herculean dynamics of family life, holding families together for a moment. This month's cover image provides an opportunity to reflect upon those featured in the snapshot. Inevitably, it will be held up against the larger and more complex memories each family member holds about their lives together. For behind each family photograph are other imagined visions of the family—as it once was, as it might fully exist now, and as it might yet become. Despite the limitations inherent in capturing a single moment, there is a promise in each snapshot of the larger family story that maps the births and deaths, riffs and renews, and health and suffering of those who belong to the family, through birth and by choice. This issue's cover image was taken on July 1, 2002, in Hamden, Conn, where members of the Burgess and Del Valle families joined together in celebration at becoming one family, as the Burgess family plans to adopt Felix Del Valle's children. Featured from top left are family friend Courtney, Jelisa Burgess, 11, David Burgess, 14, David Burgess (their father, a Baptist minister), Lori Burgess, (holding Felix Del Valle Jr., 8), and Kyia Del Valle, 10. At bottom are Crystal Del Valle, 6, and Zachary Burgess, 5 Felix Del Valle, who is dying from Lou Gehrig's disease, and his daughter, Janet, were not present for the occasion. (AP Photo/Douglas Healey)

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