

“Dialogue, dialogue, dialogue. It is the only way for individuals, families, and societies to grow.” – POPE FRANCIS

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YOUNG AND OLD

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Rhapsody by the Bay

SAN FRANCISCO – Clara Daly, 17, and parents LuAnne Daly and John Rothfield ventured south to San Francisco Symphony Hall to watch the wondrous Bobby McFerrin conduct and sing an all-Gershwin concert. Sublime. An extraordinary evening of music and joy.



PHOTO BY CORBETT DALY

Tree Time

JARRETTSVILLE, Md. – Family selfie as Corbett Daly, Aodhan, 4, Tunay Kuru, Ciara, 2, and Lucy, 5, pick out a Christmas tree among dozens vying for the honor.



PHOTO BY DEB FERRIN

Natalie's Movin' On Up

SILVER SPRING, Md. – Julie Rasicot and Natalie, Emily and Brendan Daly celebrate Natalie's promotion from Eastern Middle School. Natalie, 14, showed her cool as she and two partners won second place nationally from C-SPAN for their documentary on global warming.



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Daily Happenings Spark Daly Dialogue



PHOTO BY HOWARD LYKINS

GERMANTOWN, Md. – Fresh from celebrating Deirdre's 60th birthday in September, six of the eight Daly siblings and young Lucy Daly, 5, hiked around Little Seneca Lake near Maura and Howard's home. The group also cheered on Maura in her recovery from breast cancer and its related treatments. Prognosis is good and Maura aims to keep celebrating birthdays. Next for the big round one: Deirdre's near “Irish-twin” Sean. From left are: Sean, Deirdre, Matthew, Lucy, Maura, Lucy's dad Corbett and Brendan. Missing: LuAnne and Kate.

WASHINGTON, D.C.—As he settled in to lunch at Chad's, John Jay Daly's favorite spot, THE GREETING reporter leaned in to a dialogue with GREETING Publisher Dana Surrey Daly about the clan's comings and goings.

Fumbling with his iPhone, laptop and ancient Nikon, the bumbling reporter was grateful when his young apprentice jumped in to straighten out the jumble.

“Ah, I love looking at all the meanderings of the peripatetic clan,” he mumbled to himself, “but it sure is nice to have help gathering up all these images from Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.”



PHOTO BY EMILY DALY

The Last Huzzah

SILVER SPRING, Md. – Proud parents Matthew and Meredith huddle with Cheer Captain Maddie, 18, and sister Rosie, 14, on Senior Night at Montgomery Blair High School, where Maddie finished a four-year career cheering on a bevy of Blazers competing in sports from football to swimming.

Rocky Mountain High

BOULDER, Co. – Hip hip hooray. Celebrating high achievements and hiatuses in snowy Colorado are Kate, Jeanne, Matt and David Paradis.

With a smile and a nod, Dana assented. Dialogue at family dinners, lunches and birthday celebrations goes a long way toward keeping in touch.

Reaching for the eggnog, the scrivener smiled, as one sip revealed that the familiar recipe allegedly from Martha Washington still packed a serious punch.

He visibly relaxed as he watched his tech-savvy young assistant adeptly sort and edit images, write copy and match cutlines, bylines and straight lines.

“Well, I know one thing—coming up on 100 years of send-



PHOTO BY MEG MACDONALD

Music Man Makes Mark

DENVER – THE GREETING congratulates Matthew Brendan Paradis on his graduation in May from the University of Colorado Denver.

Matt, 23, is putting his degree in sound engineering to good use, as he runs a small recording space that he engineered, produces recording equipment and continues to play in two rock bands, as well as to write and book shows for the bands.

ing out this Daly missive entitles a guy to a bit of a break! Sure am glad the young'uns are carrying on the tradition. Guess that kind of a takeover could be a good thing,” he allowed, ruefully. “If the young people can take on the Ice Bucket Challenge, maybe they can cure Ebola, figure out Obamacare and cool the planet.”

With that, the grizzled veteran raised his glass, and toasted GREETING readers near and far before stumbling to the door: “Happy New Year to all! And may 2015 be full of sights worthy of conversation!”



PHOTO BY SYDNEY BRIDGE CLIMB TOUR GUIDE

Flying High Down Under

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA – Sean's globetrotting girl Annie, 29, is completely on top of the world Down Under. After leaving her full-time magazine job to go freelance full-time last year, she's taken her writing—and her passport—on the road. In 2014, she traveled to Australia, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, India, Hawaii, and more—and the best part? Since she can write her stories from anywhere in the world with Wi-Fi, she was technically “working” the whole time. Any guesses on where in the world she'll end up this year?

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Sean: Retiring, but Not Shy

PROVIDENCE, R.I. – TV viewers in southern New England no longer will be getting their Daly dose of news in 2015 and beyond. After 42 years in the news business, our Sean chose to hang up his microphone in exchange for more fun with his beloved Anne and their pals in Rhode Island.

During the Channel 12 Christmas party, Sean made a farewell speech that morphed into a heartfelt salute to journalism—his ticket to a meaningful and exciting life. Unnoticed at the time was the poetry implicit in the sign above the door, which as it turns out tells only half the story. The door itself tells the other half, opening, as it surely will, to new adventures. Bravo, Sean, on a storied career that started at NBC News in Washington in 1973 with help from his grandfather, the founder of THE GREETING. Jack Daly's abiding passion for journalism inspired generations of Dalys to chase demanding deadlines.