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A computer-implemented method of associating digital tags
with digital files comprises storing a plurality of digital files
having embedded therein content data and metadata includ-
ing tags; receiving, via a user interface device of a client
device, a first tag label containing alphanumeric text created
and inputted by a user of the client device; modifying, using
a controller device, a selected first one of the tags of the
metadata in a first of the digital files to include the first tag
label; receiving, via the user interface device or another user
interface device, an instruction to search for all of the digital
files having at least the first tag label; responsive to receiving
the instruction, automatically searching for all of the digital
files having at least the first tag label; and displaying, on a
video display device associated with the client device, a first
indication of the first tag label.

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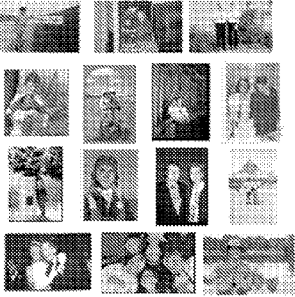
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FIG. 1

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FIG. 2

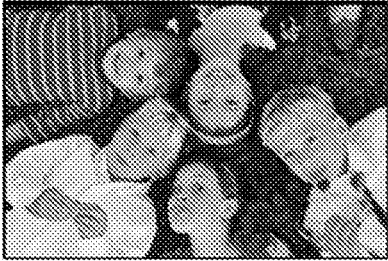
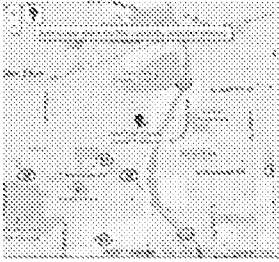
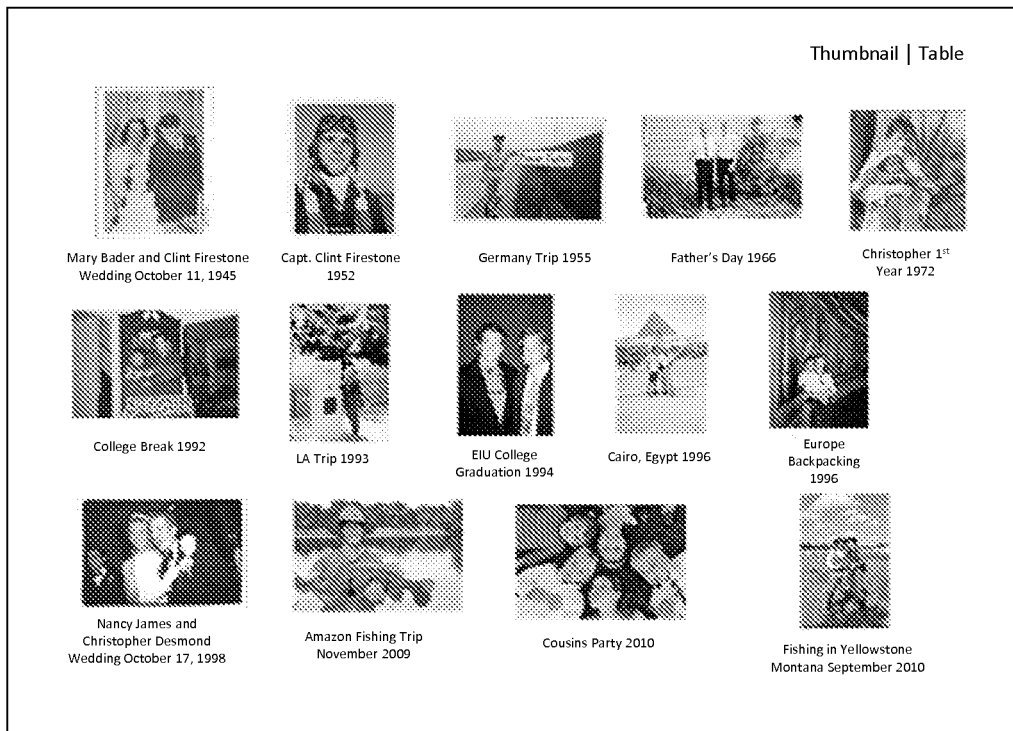
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| <p>People: Jack Wong CJ Wong Mary Firestone Zoe Peika Nick Persons</p> | |
| <p>Event: Suzanne & Anthony's Wedding Reception 2010</p> | |
| <p>Camera Details: more</p> | |

FIG. 3



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