



# The Forever Connection

June 2015

## Bonnie's Message

Summer is here! What a wonderful time of year in Manitoba. But it's so short, be sure not to miss a minute. We have been busy at Adoption Options this year so far - focusing on adoptions and also on public awareness about adoption.

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## Agency News

### Annual Report & Statistics

Thank you to all the members who attended the AGM on March 23, 2016. Here is the [Annual Report](#) that was presented at the AGM which includes last year's stats.

[Jan 1 - June 30, 2016  
Statistics](#)

### China Waiting Child Program

AO is currently finalizing a partnership with Children's Bridge in Ontario. If you are interested in this program and would like more information, please email [Dawn Warkentin](#).

### Online Profiles

Recently, the Province of Manitoba has allowed prospective adoptive parents to post profiles online. In order to do so, Adoption Options is required to pre-screen all profiles and forward it on to the Province for final approval. [Read More](#)



Today I kissed an Angel, we knew it from the start.  
The first time our Angel smiled at us, we gave away our hearts.

[Arrival Announcements](#)

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## AO Family Picnic

Good times were had at our Annual Family Fun Day in June 4th! The weather kept us a tad nervous, but Mother Nature generally cooperated. Luckily it only

rained while the Magician was on so that brought the crowd under the shelter to enjoy the show. [Read more](#)

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## Blue Bomber Fundraiser

Join us at Investors Group Field on Friday September 30th as the Winnipeg Blue Bombers take on the defending Grey Cup Champions Edmonton Eskimos.

A portion of every ticket sold through Adoption Options is donated to Adoption Options. For more information and to purchase tickets [click on this link](#).

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## Workshops



In the Fall we are planning to run a "Wise-Up" program for children and parents. It is a two hour session geared toward children age 7-10 running concurrently with a two hour parent program. [Read more](#)



**Circle of Security**  
INTERNATIONAL  
*Early Intervention Program for Parents & Children*

Adoption Options will be hosting a Circle of Security Parenting Program in the Fall.

Circle of Security is a relationship based early intervention program designed to enhance attachment security between parents and children. [Read more](#)

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## Public Awareness



Now showing on a digital billboard near you!

For 6 weeks, starting on June 20th Adoption Options will have digital signs at the following locations:

St. Mary's near Niverville  
Wellington near Flight  
McPhillips near William

Pembina near Nesbitt  
Disraeli Freeway near Higgins  
Lagimodiere near Dugald

Keep your eyes peeled for the signs...but still focus on the road!

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## Conceiving Dreams ~ A Celebration of Adoption

Registration is now open for the 15th annual Conceiving Dreams Dinner and

Trivia Night taking place on Saturday, November 5th at the Canad Inns Polo Park.

In our ongoing effort to raise awareness and increase attendance, we have lowered ticket prices and moved the event to a Saturday evening so get a group of friends together and come join in the fun as we celebrate adoption and Adoption Awareness Month.

[2016 Conceiving Dreams Dinner Information and Registration](#)

We are always looking for donations to add to the rainbow, silent and live auctions. If you would like to help please email [Andrea Phillips](#).

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## The Pregnancy Club

For several years, I desperately wanted to belong to the Pregnancy Club. I am now in the Never Pregnant but Parenting Club, as the mom of a fabulous pre-schooler who joined our family through adoption. [Read more](#)

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Happy Summer!

