



Adoption Newsletter June 2012

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Max (Ethiopia)

Adoption news

Welcome

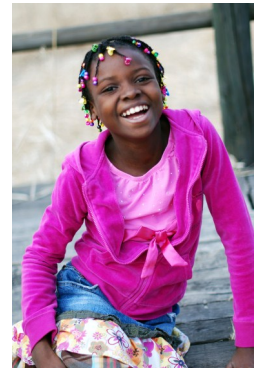
There are a lot of exciting things to note in this newsletter! We would like to introduce a new adoption program at our agency.....

The Republic of Congo

The Republic of Congo accepts single applicants! The children available are of a variety of ages from infant to school age. There is a longer wait for younger children and for female children. The time to complete the process once the dossier has been submitted to the country is, at present, guestimated to be from 12-24 months. (con't on pg2)

Website—our website has been updated!!! You'll notice a few changes when you log onto it but the basic information is still there. Please check us out at www.kcr.ca.

Facebook—Stay tuned for our giant leap into the 21st Century! We will be on Facebook by the end of summer!



The smile of a child!

Reminder:

- If you are registered with the domestic program and planning to be out of town be sure to let us know.
- Please check in with Marlene every two months to let her know you still want to remain active.

We would love to feature a photo of your child in our newsletter. Please be sure to send us submissions to include at jenn@kcr.ca.

Next Okanagan Information Session

September 12, 2012—7-9 PM

Please call to confirm a seat! 250-763-8002 or toll free 1-800-935-4237

If you live outside of the Okanagan and would like to request an information session in your community, please contact our office!



Deep thoughts.....

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Deanna Notte,
BSW RSW

Intercountry Updates.....

Congo con't from pg 1

After a child is proposed, applicants travel to the country once for a period of 7-14 days. Our agency partners with a US agency for this program called "One World". Check them out at:
www.oneworldadoptions.org.

Call us for more info!

BC's Waiting Children

There are children available for adoption right in our province who are currently residing in foster care.

Teens especially need homes to belong to!

Call us for more info!

Bulgaria

This adoption program continues to be an option for families and also for single applicants. Children are generally 3-6 years of age and are of Roma, Turkish and/or Armenian heritage.

Call us for more info!

Neurobiology of Trauma and Attachment

Written by Deanna Notte, RSW

I had the pleasure of attending the Dr. Perry workshop on the "Neurobiology of Trauma & Attachment: How we are Wired", on May 24 & 25th In Kelowna. I walked away from the two days with a lot of great information and although it would be impossible to tell you everything, I would love to give you a brief bit of information to give you a taste of Dr. Perry's work.

According to Dr. Perry, "the most important property of humankind is (Con't page 3)

Who's Who?

Name: Deanna Notte

Position: Part time Social Worker

We are pleased to introduce a new member of our team! Deanna has been working with Kelowna Community Resources for over 17 years in a variety of positions focused on family support. While her experience with adoption has not been in a direct role until now, she's been involved in understanding the unique issues and advocating for adoption services throughout the community since the inception of the Adoption Centre of BC. We are now thrilled to have her join our team to lend her passion and experience for the direct benefit of our adoptive parents. Deanna works part time and when not in the office enjoys spending time with her husband, two kids and two dogs!

If you would like any additional information you are welcome to contact us anytime. We would love to hear from you.

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Little Princess

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to form and maintain relationships”. A critical piece of relationship development starts as a newborn baby. In order to bond or “attach” to your child Dr. Perry talks about “Optimal Early Caregiving”.

For children to build positive, healthy attachments we as their caregivers must be:

Present – quantity of time spent is important! Just as important as quality – repetition is critical

Attentive – talk to your child, make eye contact, touch, physical proximity

Attuned – accurately interpret the cues your child is giving you – example, hunger, temperature, etc.

Responsive – act when your child needs you – don’t wait until your favorite show is over, attend to your child now!

If you are interested in learning more about childhood trauma and how it can impact on attachment ...go see Dr. Perry! He is a wonderful, engaging, humorous, intelligent man who delivers material in a way that makes you want to hear more, more, more!! He has also published a number of books that would be valuable resources for adoptive parents who may need some help in understanding some of the behaviors their children may present. You also may want to check out his web-site www.ChildTrauma.org.

Who’s Who...(Cont. from page 2)

Just so that you don’t forget who’s here to assist you....

- Jennifer Wall**—Agency Administrator
- Marni King**—Part time social worker
- Deanna Notte**—Part time social worker
- Marlene Procter** - Part time Program Assistant
- Shahnaz Daragahi**—Part time Administrative Assistant
- Diane Wiseman**—Part time Administrative Assistant.



Remember where we are:
255 Lawrence Ave., Kelowna BC
8:30-4:30 (closed for lunch 12-1)
250-763-8002 or 1-800-935-4237