



We are very excited to expand our family. We look forward to parenting and have a great deal of love to share. We promise to be positive role models for your child while instilling strong values and morals. We will provide a safe and nurturing home, as well as a great education and strong faith.

Sean

Jenna

Job Description:

Stay-at-Home Dad

Occupational Therapist & Clinical Manager at Local Hospital

Education:

High School Graduate & Served in the United States Marine Corp

Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy & Rehabilitation Psychology

Favorites:

Animal
Tiger

Animal
Hippo

Hero
Muhammad Ali

Hero
My Mom

Magazine
Men's Health

Magazine
People

Musical Group
U2

Musical Group
Rascal Flatts

Sport to Play
Soccer

Sport to Play
Basketball

Children:

Riley (11), from Sean's previous marriage

Cultural Diversity

We are open to adopting a child of any race. It is our goal as parents to provide a culturally diverse life experience for this child. We plan to seek out and participate in community activities/events, educate ourselves by reading books, and facilitate play groups with parents who have adopted children of different ethnicities. We will do our best to incorporate various aspects of the child's culture into our daily lives. As part of the adoption process, we have attended classes and met with other adoptive families to gain a better understanding of transcultural adoption. We are committed to providing a loving and accepting home.



Riley and Dad Ready for Tae Kwon Do Practice



At the Milwaukee Brewer's Baseball Game

Discussing Adoption with Our Children

This is a topic we have spent a great deal of time thinking and talking about. We will always be open and honest about your child's adoption. We will be sure to share what a courageous decision you have made and most importantly, that you only wanted the best for your child. We will answer questions and share this child's birth story with him/her in an age-appropriate manner and as they ask questions. We are willing to share as much information with your child about his/her birth family as you would like us to. We believe it is through this story they will come to know the bond that brings our two families together.

What Takes Priority in Our Lives

Our lives are centered around our families and friends. We believe the most wonderful things in life are nothing if you don't have friends and family to share them with. We both work hard to maintain our relationships. Whether that means placing a special call on a friend's birthday, planning a quick barbeque for our family or visiting with a neighbor, we make these things a priority. We treasure the close bonds we have with others. They have been our support during the good times and the bad. It is through them and with them we have come to be the individuals we are!



Our Family



Jenna and Riley Making Our Annual Gingerbread House

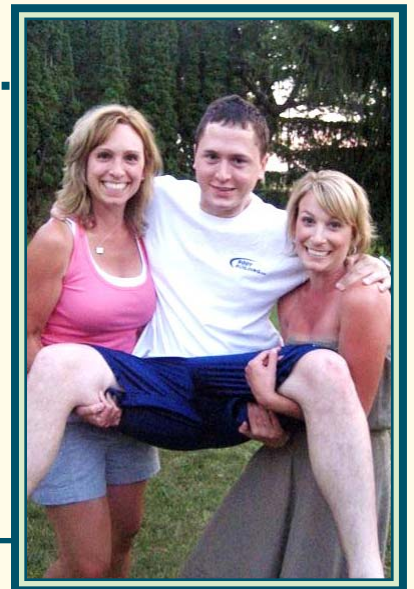


Enjoying a Hawaiian Tradition, the Luau

Our Extended Families

We are blessed to have caring and supportive families. They are all very excited about the prospect of adoption.

Jenna's family all live within 30 miles of our home and we spend time with them regularly. We have many special traditions around each holiday from attending the awesome Fourth of July Parade in our hometown to decorating gingerbread houses at Christmas time.



Jenna and Her Siblings Just Goofing Around



Sean and His Mom on Our Wedding Day

Sean's family lives in the Chicago area where we go to experience some of the "big city" life! We enjoy taking the train downtown and going to the museums, zoo, park and watching an occasional musical or play. Celebrating birthdays is a big tradition in Sean's family. On your special day, it is up to you where and how we celebrate!

We treasure our family relationships and look forward to including another child in our lives.

Our House & Neighborhood



Our Home

Currently we live in Southern Wisconsin in a city known for its beautiful and plentiful parks. We live in a three bedroom, ranch-style home on a quiet, safe street. We spend a lot of time in our large backyard or on our deck in the summer months. We are currently in the process of finishing the lower level in our house to create a special area for our children to play and do crafts. Our home is within walking distance to a wonderful walking/biking trail used by many city residents. Our city is home to a large 4-H fair every summer where we love to go visit the barn animals, ride the ferris wheel, listen to live music and most importantly.... enjoy funnel cakes! We also have a special pet, our kitten,

Gracie. She is fun-loving, playful and frequently makes us laugh! We are part of a relatively small school district where children can be a part of many activities and get the extra attention they deserve.



Our Kitty ...Gracie



Our Local Wading Pool

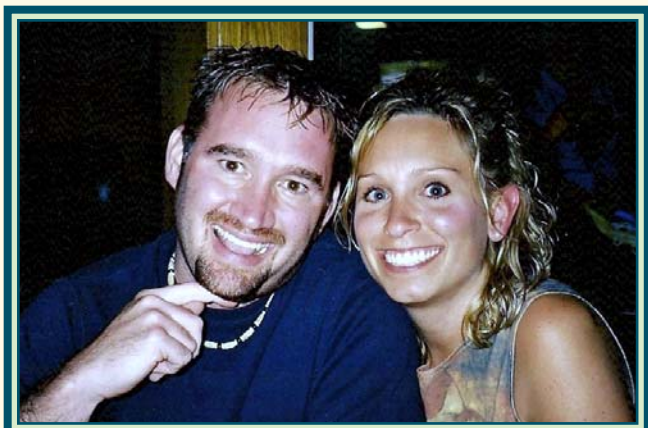


A Bike Ride We Participated in for Charity

Sean & Jenna



Sean Snorkeling



Date Night



Kisses on Top of a Volcano in Hawaii

Dear Birthparent(s),

Thank you for taking the time to read our letter and review our profile. We respect you for having the courage and strength to consider adoption for your child. We hope that through this letter you will gain an understanding of who we are and the values we embrace.

We are Jenna and Sean. We met 9 years ago and immediately fell in love! After dating for 3 years, we were married in 2003. Since that time we have been trying to conceive naturally without success. In 2008, we did become pregnant, however lost the baby due to an ectopic pregnancy. After the heartbreak we experienced as a result of this loss, we made the decision to pursue adoption. We knew then and now that adoption is the plan God has had for our family all along and we are excited about our journey.

Sean has an 11 year old daughter, Riley, from a previous marriage. She lives with us 50% of the time and keeps us very busy. She has talked of being a big sister for a long time now and tells us she is excited to play with a new brother or sister, teach him/her fun things and eventually babysit. Her favorite subjects in school are science and reading. She enjoys playing basketball, volleyball and softball, as well as running track and recently started playing the saxophone. Overall she is kind-hearted, playful, funny, talented and a wonderful friend.

As a family, we enjoy camping, biking, traveling, playing games and spending time with family and friends. We are members of an interdenominational church near our home. We attend church services regularly and Riley goes to Sunday School. Our deep faith in God has given us strength and understanding through many difficult times in our lives. It is this faith we hope to instill in our children.

As a couple, we love and support one another. We treat each other with dignity and respect. We strive for open communication and make all parenting decisions together. We believe it is of utmost importance to be good examples and positive role models in our children's lives.

Jenna talks about Sean: Sean is a loving husband and father. He is courageous and has a great sense of adventure. While shy at first, he is fun and outgoing once he gets to know someone. After his high school graduation, he served 4 years in the United States Marine Corp. This took him all over the world. It is through this experience that he gained much of his strength and level of commitment. Sean is continually determined to be a better person and is always striving to help others in need.

Sean was diagnosed with fibromyalgia about 5 years ago and because of the pain and fatigue he experiences at times, he was unable to continue working. Prior to this, he worked for 10 years as a very successful sales manager in the telecommunications field. Rather than see his illness from a negative point of view, we choose to see it as being the thing that has allowed him the opportunity to be a "stay-at-home dad". I am often envious of the amount of time he gets to spend with Riley as a result. He takes her to and from school, attends all her school activities, chaperones fieldtrips, helps with homework and works with her to develop her sports skills. He is her biggest fan! There is such a sense of pride that overcomes him when he talks about her. It is this special bond Sean looks forward to creating with the child we will eventually bring into our home.

Sean loves to ride bikes, talk politics, go to movies, listen to music, attend concerts, lift weights and work in our yard. He is compassionate and uses this characteristic regularly when volunteering with our local men's homeless shelter. Sean has a great sense of humor. He enjoys traveling and looks forward to the many trips we plan to take as a family.

Sean talks about Jenna: What I admire most about Jenna is her loyalty to family and kindness to others. She always sees the good in everyone she meets. She always has a smile and people are naturally drawn to her because of her positive and caring nature. I am so grateful for the relationship that Jenna has with my daughter Riley. She has known Riley since she was three years old and has been a very positive and influential role model in her life.

Jenna is one of the smartest people that I know or have ever met. Even before we met, she was a success. In high school, Jenna graduated as the valedictorian and was awarded a full college scholarship. Jenna was recently promoted to a management position at our local hospital. To say the least, she is successful at whatever she does. Jenna enjoys scrapbooking, biking, baking, reading, listening to music, doing puzzles and playing sports and games.

During our life together, Jenna has been my strength during times of trial. She is an inspiration to all those who know her! Any child would be blessed to have her as a mother.

As parents, it is our hope to provide a loving home in which to nurture a child. We are accepting individuals who have the capacity to love and accept any child into our lives. We promise to be the best parents we can and to provide our children with unconditional love. We are open to sending pictures and letters throughout the years if you so desire. We thank you for giving us the opportunity to share with you a little about ourselves. It is through your courageous decision that you are helping couples like us receive a gift we would not otherwise be able to have....and for that we are eternally grateful.

Sean and Jenna

