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NEW –  
In The Vanguard – For You!

While the searchers at Kinsolving are busy doing their thing, we wanted to add a link to you in The Vanguard. So we asked Kate Burns – who most of you know (or will know) via her emails and phone calls, to expand her KI relationship with you.

We're happy to announce that she enthusiastically agreed and will write two new columns – "Kate's Corner" and "Ask Kate Anything".  
Kate, take it away!

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Kate's Corner  
Breaking The Chains of  
Secrecy and Lies

Greetings one and all!  
I am so excited about this opportunity to know you better and, most of all, to help you feel better about search, contact and reunion issues.

Since these columns are for you, to make this a success your participation is going to be critical. It doesn't matter where you are in the search process – thinking about it, committed and waiting for your search to be completed, or having made contact and/or been reunited.

At each stage there are questions, doubts, fears and unknowns that are foreign to our everyday lives. As triads we quickly learn that confiding in others – those who haven't walked in our shoes, can be anything from disappointing and disheartening to utterly discouraging and devastating.

Well, you can kiss that disadvantage good-bye, right now! Here's what to do...

Open an email, spell it all out no matter what the subject within adoption, sign your message with a first name, initials (or make something up that you'll recognize), and send it to [KateKinsolving@aol.com](mailto:KateKinsolving@aol.com) with "Ask Kate Anything!" in the subject line.

Some questions are very common among adoptees, or birth mothers, or siblings and even grandparents. Regardless of your triad position, you'll gain great information from one another's questions and the answers.

On the other hand some issues are complex or confusing. They may suggest misconceptions, myths (there are a bazillion of them!) or prejudices that create unnecessary attitudes or unfounded fears. Those issues will be addressed in "Kate's Corner" for general information.

Please remember one thing: no question is silly, irrelevant or 'dumb'. Not asking, on the other hand, is silly. We are, after all, living a unique experience as triads in a country where secrecy was and is touted – due to the posture of those who succeeded in legally closing adoptions with their lies to hide their own malpractices. By linking together we can break that barbaric chain of secrecy and lies – right here!

As you can tell, I feel passionately about facts, not the fiction born of others' self-serving need to control with lies and secrecy, and their political clout in the courts that made their agenda law.

Finally, I want to thank Kinsolving for giving us this forum, and especially for putting you FIRST.

See you in two weeks – and don't forget to email [KateKinsolving@aol.com](mailto:KateKinsolving@aol.com)!