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Holly
— and —
Aaron
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Hello! WE ARE
Aaron
Holly
Owen *and*
Henry



Dear Expectant Parent(s)

We are excited to be growing our family through adoption. You will find that we are a fun, flexible, easy going, and adventurous family. For the past few years we have been trying to have more children. Our struggles with adding on to our family has led us to choosing adoption. **ADOPTION IS NEAR AND DEAR TO US, SINCE 4 OF AARON'S 7 SIBLINGS ARE ADOPTED.** They are truly amazing, and we can't imagine what life would be like without them.

We admire the courage and love that you have in choosing adoption for your child. **WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING YOU AND LEARNING ABOUT YOUR HOPES AND DREAMS.** Thank you for taking the time to look through our profile.

Everyone pitches in at our house



we will
Teach
OUR CHILDREN

- NEVER STOP LEARNING
- HELP OTHERS IN YOUR COMMUNITY
- TREAT OTHERS WITH RESPECT AND KINDNESS
- LEARN TO SWIM AT AN EARLY AGE
- SHARING IS CARING

Our Story

When we met at school twenty years ago we knew right away that we had the “forever” kind of love.

Fast forward to now and we have been blessed with two boys, two dogs, a ferret, and a house to call home.

OUR RELATIONSHIP IS BASED ON HONEST AND OPEN COMMUNICATION. We are always learning together and from each other. It amazes us how much our love for each other continues to grow. We are very fortunate to have lots of loving supportive extended family to help us along the way.

We work well as a team and always have each other’s backs, which is super important considering we will be out numbered soon! We are laid back and treat each of our children as individuals. What works for one does not necessarily work for the other. There is not a one-size-fits-all when it comes to parenting. **WE GUIDE OUR CHILDREN TO MAKE GOOD DECISIONS AND HELP THEM LEARN WHEN THEY MAKE MISTAKES.**



A Little More About Us

- WE HAVE AN HONEST, HARD-WORKING, AND STABLE FAMILY
- WE ALL PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN MAKING SURE CHORES GET DONE SO THERE IS TIME TO DO OTHER ACTIVITIES
- FOR FUN WE OCCASIONALLY HOST AND GO TO GAME NIGHTS WITH FRIENDS
- WE ALSO ENJOY SPENDING TIME CAMPING, SWIMMING, BIKING, BOATING, HIKING, WALKING THE DOGS, AND WATCHING MOVIES
- OUR BOYS HAVE EVEN TAUGHT US TO ENJOY THE WINTER MONTHS WITH SKIING, SLEDDING, SNOW FORTS, AND SNOWBALL FIGHTS



A Little About Aaron

BY HOLLY

Aaron is the most patient person I know. I love watching him with our boys. From diaper changes, to bandages, to helping with homework and school projects, **AARON HAS ALWAYS BEEN VERY INVOLVED WITH OWEN AND HENRY.** They admire him so much. We all look forward to "Fresh Pancake Day", the day that Aaron get up early to make chocolate chip pancakes for our family.

lead, Aaron stepped up to the plate. For the past 2 years he took on the role of PTO president. He helped raise thousands of dollars to help improve the school.

He is a very hard worker. He has been a financial advisor helping families achieve their goals for the past 16 years. No matter how busy works gets, **HE ALWAYS MANAGES TO MAKE OUR FAMILY HIS NUMBER ONE PRIORITY.** Being his own boss allows him **FLEXIBILITY** with his schedule and we are fortunate to have suppers together most evenings and he always has weekends off.

Aaron is a problem solver and always up for a challenge. When the PTO at Henry's school was going to have to shut down because no one was willing to



On a relaxing canoe trip



Super Dad!

Aaron's Favorites

- musical artist**
JERRY GARCIA
- place to take a child**
JUNGLE GYM
- childhood activity**
SWIMMING
- children's book**
ANY DR. SEUSS BOOK
- hobby**
WOODWORKING
- sports team**
PACKERS & BADGERS
- vacation spot**
MOUNTAINS

Aaron is

- SMART
- CARING
- ADVENTUROUS
- CREATIVE
- AN AMAZING FATHER
- PATIENT





Holly's Favorites

hobby
KAYAKING

musical artist
BEATLES & IMAGINE DRAGONS

place to take a child
BEACH

childhood activity
CAMPING

children's book
POKEY LITTLE PUPPY

sports team
PACKERS & BADGERS

vacation spot
UP NORTH AT THE CABIN



Cuddles with our pup

We did great at our tournament!



A Little About Holly

BY AARON

Holly is the most fun and caring person I have ever met. She was born and raised in Southwest Wisconsin by a caring family with strong values and work ethic. Currently she works as a charge nurse at a nearby clinic. This allows her to be home on holidays, weekends,

and have supper with the family every night. During free time, you'll find Holly at the gym in a yoga class, outside walking our dogs, or taking a karate class with Owen and Henry. If it's time for some down time you'll find her doodling or writing in her journal.

HOLLY IS A GREAT MOTHER AND SHE HAS LOT OF EXPERIENCE WITH KIDS OF ALL AGES. After college she started working in a shelter for at-risk teens helping them get their lives back on track. When we started planning our own family she decided to change careers and became a nanny, so she could bring our son Owen to work with her. She worked with a family that have 2 children, Grace and Teddy that are very close in age to Owen and Henry. A few years after that Holly took on babysitting a set of twins. On occasion she would tote all 6 of them on outings to the zoo and parks in the neighborhood. **HOLLY HAS A GREAT PASSION FOR BEING AROUND KIDS AND TEACHING THEM HOW TO HAVE FUN AND BE CREATIVE.**



MEET *the* BIG BROTHERS

Throughout our years we have learned a lot about raising a family and our greatest teachers have been our sons. Both of our sons started learning karate at an early age. IN KARATE THEY FOCUS ON IMPORTANT LIFE SKILLS LIKE LEADERSHIP, RESPECT, AND TEAMWORK THAT THEY ARE EXCITED TO SHARE WITH THEIR NEW BROTHER OR SISTER.



#1 Star Wars fans

Henry loves

- DRONES
- READING
- COMPUTER CODING
- MAKING FORTS
- CLIMBING IN TREES

Owen enjoys

- PLAYING BOARD GAMES
- LISTENING TO MUSIC
- LEGOS
- ANYTHING STAR WARS

➔ **Owen** (14) has lots of experience being a big brother. Henry looks up to him as a role model. He is kind, patient, and a hard-worker. He is an assistant camp counselor at his karate studio. His younger cousins love it when he reads to them, takes them on mule rides at the farm, and rough houses.

➔ **Henry** (11) is looking forward to being a big brother. Henry is very curious and thoughtful. He has lots of questions about what his new sibling will be like. He wants to be a video game designer when he is old enough to have a job. He will have lots of things to teach his new brother or sister.



Mini golf with Big Foot

Home Sweet Home

Three years ago, we moved into our four-bedroom home. We have a large yard with a couple of climbing trees.

IT IS LOCATED ON A QUIET STREET IN A GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD WITH LOTS OF OTHER KIDS NEARBY. We are close to two city parks and a bike trail. For a special treat we like to take the bike trail to Culver's for ice cream. We are members at the neighborhood pool. We enjoy fresh veggies from the raised garden that Aaron made.



Getting our garden ready



Mule ride



Aaron's side

LOTS of Family = LOTS of Love TO GO AROUND!



We love the corn maze at Grandma's and Grandpa's



Holly's side



Family reunion



About once a week, we get together with Holly's family. We love spending time on her parents' farm, having campfires, playing outside, grilling out, and playing games together. Owen and Henry help Grandpa with gathering wood and other odd jobs that need to be done.

Aaron is the oldest of 8 siblings. It can be hard to get us all in one place at one time, but when we do it is one lively bunch! Aaron's family loves playing games, bike riding, and hanging out. Every year we look forward to planning and attending a huge family reunion with Aaron's grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins in northern Wisconsin.

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Legged FAMILY

WE LOVE OUR FURRY FAMILY! Ricky, our ferret has been with us the longest. He is very smart and loves to give kisses. He comes when you call his name and will roll-over for treats. Lucy and Martha are rescue dogs from Alabama. They are full of energy and very sweet girls. Sometimes under very close supervision all three of them get to play together!





our Hopes *and* Dreams

We know deep down in our hearts that we are meant to have a larger family. We want two more children who can grow up together. We are looking forward to zoo trips, bike rides, spending time at the beach, finger painting, building forts, making obstacle courses and oh so much more. **WE WANT TO HEAR YOUR WISHES, HOPES AND DREAMS FOR YOUR CHILD.** We would love to have an open and ongoing relationship with you. We understand that may not be what you want, and we are okay with that too. Regardless, we want your baby to know that you made your decision out of love for him or her.

FINAL THOUGHTS

Thank you for taking your time to read our profile, and thank you for choosing adoption for your child. If you decide to meet with us, you will know right away if we are the family for you. Your baby will have two super awesome big brothers and hopefully within the next year or two a younger sibling as well. He or she will know the crazy awesomeness of being from a large family. **FOLLOW YOUR HEART AND EVERYTHING ELSE WILL FALL INTO PLACE.** We look forward to getting to know you and hear your thoughts and hopes for your child!