



**SAVE THE DATE...PATRICIA IRWIN JOHNSTON, M.S. IS
COMING NOVEMBER 16 / 17, 2011**

ADOPTION OPTIONS is pleased to host renowned author and adoption expert, Patricia Irwin Johnston. Her books include **Understanding Infertility: Insights for Family and Friends, Taking Charge of Infertility, (Adopting after Infertility, Launching a Baby's Adoption, Adoption Is a Family Affair,** and, **What Relatives and Friends *Must* Know.** She is also *editing the poetry anthology Perspectives on a Grafted Tree: Thoughts for those Touched by Adoption.*

Patricia Johnston has been given several awards during her years in the infertility and adoption communities, including the **2007 Angel in Adoption Award** from Congresswoman Julia Carson and the Congressional Coalition on Adoption; the **2006 Robert Todd Duncan award from Butler University's** Alumni Association to an alum whose personal or professional achievements bring honor to the University; a **2005 JCICS "110% Award" for above-and-beyond commitment** to JCICS; and a 2004 Kaleidoscope Best of the Best Award (Consumer Watchdogs) from As Simple as That.

Patricia and her husband, Dave, are the second generation of their family to extend it beyond infertility through the adoption of their three children, who are now adults. Her grandmother was a birthparent. Her niece is now adopting.

Workshops will be presented in Calgary and Edmonton for both the professional and general adoption community.

Calgary – November 16, 2011 at Calgary Golf and Country Club

9am – 12pm – Professional development workshop -

The Family-Challenged Client in the 21st Century; changing and challenging issues today with a new generation of clients. A certificate will be presented for your attendance.

7pm – 9pm – Open to anyone interested in learning more about fertility loss, and the adoption journey and take away tools for managing.

Edmonton - November 17, 2011 at Adoption Options Edmonton

1pm – 4pm – Professional development workshop - The Family-Challenged Client in the 21st Century; changing and challenging issues today with a new generation of clients. A certificate will be presented for your attendance.

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More details will follow in a formal invitation for this special event. Including how to register, cost and directions. **SAVE THE DATE!!!**