

# Monthly Calendar

## September 2020 Events and Programs

### ADULT ADOPTEE & BIRTHPARENT HUB

#### General Discussion Meetings

Support and discussion groups for adult adoptees, birthparents, siblings, adoptive parents, prospective parents, professionals and anyone interested in learning about the lifelong journey of adoption. September meetings will be virtual. Individuals from any location are encouraged to join. Please note that all meeting times are shown in Eastern Time. Preregistration is required.

Visit our website calendar and click on the date of your choice to register at <http://bit.ly/CalendarANC>.

Meeting info at <http://bit.ly/GDMatANC>.

#### Virtual General Discussion Meeting Dates

September 1, 6-8 p.m. (ET) led by our Miami Valley facilitators

September 3, 7-9 p.m. (ET) led by our Rocky River facilitators

September 8, 7-8:30 p.m. (ET) led by our Columbus facilitators

September 9, 7-9:00 p.m. (ET) led by our Summit Co. facilitators

September 17, 7-9 p.m. (ET) led by our Heights facilitators

September 24, 8-10 p.m. (ET) led by our Virtual Mtg. facilitators

### FAMILIES & YOUTH HUB

#### Family Ties Program

This program includes a monthly group where adoptive, kinship, and foster families meet, share experiences and learn from each other and featured presenters. To find out more: <http://bit.ly/FamilyTiesatANC>.

**PARENT GROUP** - Our Family Ties Parent Group will be on hiatus in September.

#### YOUTH GROUP (Virtual):

Wednesday, September 9 6:00 p.m. - Girl Code

Wednesday, September 23 6:00 p.m. - Guy Code

Virtual opportunities for youth to meet online with peers in a facilitated conversation will be provided for boys (Boy Code) and girls (Girl Code) separately. For more information and the link to access the meetings, contact Danielle Gibson at [danielle.gibson@adoptionnetwork.org](mailto:danielle.gibson@adoptionnetwork.org).

#### Transracial Adoptive Family Group

##### Date and Time TBD (Virtual)

Weaving Cultures, a group for families formed through transracial adoption, offers a setting where children and adults can form relationships and spend time with others who share similar experiences. Virtual connections and learning opportunities may be available during social distancing. More info at <http://bit.ly/WeavingCulturesatANC>.

#### Adoption 201: Adopting Infants Domestically (Virtual)

##### Wednesday, September 16, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Expanding on the Adoption 101: Where Do I Begin? workshop, this 2-hour workshop explores more details for those considering a domestic infant adoption.

Member cost: \$15 per person and \$25 per couple

Non-member cost: \$20 per person and \$35 per couple

For info and to register: <http://bit.ly/201atANC>.

\*Adoption Network Cleveland programs are provided free unless otherwise noted. All programs except those noted will continue to be offered virtually during September.

## Foster, Adoptive and Kinship Parent Trainings Ohio Child Welfare Training Program

Wednesday, September 9, 6:00-9:00 p.m., "The Emotional and Behavioral Sequel to Maltreatment" #925-14  
Trainer: Brian Lowery

Thursday, September 17, 6:00-9:00 p.m., "Adopting Your Foster Child After Reunification Fails" #947-PA02-S  
Trainer: Linda Loveland

Saturday, September 26, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and again at 1:00-4:00 p.m., "A World of Opportunities, High-Risk Behaviors are Hidden in Plain Sight" #988-50  
Trainer: Tamme Smith

All trainings are FREE and in-person at Adoption Network, 4614 Prospect Ave., Ste.550, Cleveland, OH 44103. To find out more: <http://bit.ly/ANCTraining4Parents>.

For All

## ANC Summer Book Club

Monday, September 14, 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Join other adoptive, kinship, and foster parents, adult adoptees and birthparents for a summer book group reading *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng through the lens of adoption themes. The book can be found at most local and online stores that sell books, at Cuyahoga County libraries (all branches are now open but you can also use the free "Libby" app which provides access to both e-books and audiobooks for free.) The meeting to discuss this book will be held using Google Meet. Please register to let us know you plan on participating and to receive the link! Contact Donikea Austin at [donikea.austin@adoptionnetwork.org](mailto:donikea.austin@adoptionnetwork.org) for more info and to register to participate.

## Enter to Win a Trip of a Lifetime for Two! Drawing September 4, 2020 at 12 p.m. ET

Would you love to win a trip for two to a fabulous International or US Domestic location?

Raffle Tickets are \$50 each. Only 400 tickets will be sold!

### Drawing will be held Friday, September 4 at 12 p.m. ET on Facebook Live.

The Winner will have:

- Three years from the date of the drawing to use the trip with no blackout dates.
- Personal AmFund Travel Specialist to assist with the trip details.
- Round-trip airfare.
- Deluxe accommodations and personalized experiences.
- Trips are priceless!
- You do not need to be present to win!

Find out more about this AMAZING opportunity and purchase your tickets - <http://bit.ly/ANCTripaffle>.



Coming Soon!

## 2020 Virtual Conference Friday & Saturday, October 23 & 24, 2020

Adoption Knowledge Affiliates and Adoption Network Cleveland have joined forces to present "Journeys of Discovery: Navigating the Intersections of Adoption," a virtual conference to be held on Friday & Saturday, October 23 & 24, 2020! This amazing opportunity will bring together the expertise of both organizations to offer presentations by national and state experts on adoption, providing opportunities for members of the adoption and foster care community as well as adoption professionals to receive support and skills, gain knowledge, and network with others. Ohio and Texas CEUs available. For more info and to register: <http://bit.ly/2020VirtualConf>.

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