

Concerned Persons for Adoption (CPFA) 2021 Program and Events Calendar *Updated 8-19-21*

Each year CPFA has four family social events, four book club meetings, periodic virtual “Can We Talk” discussions, a yearly fundraising event as well as our flagship annual conference at Rutgers University in the spring. . *We hope you will join us!* **Please check our website, www.cpfanji.org, for updates, and follow us on Facebook (Concerned Persons for Adoption-CPFA NJ) and Instagram (@ CPFA_NJ).**

Thursday, January 28: 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm: CPFA Adoption Book Group (via Zoom)

Please join us for a lively and thought-provoking discussion on “*The Exiles*” by Christina Baker Kline via Zoom Meeting online. If you would like to join us please e-mail kathleen.s.walz56@gmail.com to be included in the Zoom invite, add "CPFA Book Group Zoom" in the email subject line. An email will be sent to each attendee with the Zoom meeting link, password and instructions on joining our CPFA Book Group Discussion. See www.cpfanji.org for more details.

Sunday, February 7: 3:00 – 5:00 pm “Men’s Only” Super Bowl Sunday Gathering (via Zoom)

A great opportunity for the Dad’s to gather and talk about sports, family life, challenges and joys. Register via our website or email to receive the day of event link. Have ready your favorite beverage and join the fun.

Friday and Saturday, March 12 and 13: Approx. 8:30 am - 1:00 pm: NJ’s 38th Annual “Let’s Talk Adoption”sm Virtual Conference!

Join us for two half day workshops on pre- and post-adoptive issues at our 38th annual adoption ‘virtual’ conference. This conference is coordinated by Concerned Persons for Adoption and is co-sponsored by the Adoption Agency Council of NJ (AACNJ) and Rutgers University School of Social Work, Institute for Families. Continuing Education Hours approved for social workers, licensed professional counselors, and school teachers. Please check www.cpfanji.org and e-mails for details and registration.

Friday, April 9: 8:00 pm – 9:30 pm: “Can We Talk?” (via Zoom)

Usher in Spring by joining experienced adoptive parents and talking to other adoptive parents about various topics. Come share thoughts, ideas and more. Register via our website or email to receive the day of event link. Selected topic TBD.

Thursday, April 22: 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm: CPFA Adoption Book Group (via Zoom)

Please join us for a lively and thought-provoking discussion on ““My Name is Why” by Lemn Sissay via Zoom Meeting online. If you would like to join us please e-mail kathleen.s.walz56@gmail.com to be included in the Zoom invite, add "CPFA Book Group Zoom" in the email subject line. An email will be sent to each attendee with the Zoom meeting link, password and instructions on joining our CPFA Book Group Discussion. See website for more details and updates.

Friday, June 4: 8:00 pm – 9:30 pm: “Can We Talk?” (via Zoom)

Join Dr. Jane Aronson for a thoughtful discussion on adoption, identity and other interesting topics. Come share thoughts, ideas and ideas. Register via our website or email to receive the day of event link.

Thursday, July 22: 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm: CPFA Adoption Book Group (via Zoom and in-person)

Please join us for a lively and thought-provoking discussion on *"The Bean Trees"* by Barbara Kingsolver via Zoom Meeting online. If you would like to join us please e-mail kathleen.s.walz56@gmail.com to be included in the Zoom invite, add "CPFA Book Group Zoom" in the email subject line. An email will be sent to each attendee with the Zoom meeting link, password and instructions on joining our CPFA Book Group Discussion. See www.cpfan.org for more details.

Saturday, August 7: 12:00 – 5:00 pm: CPFA Summer Family

Come join our family of adoptive families for a fun afternoon in the sun and water at Sunrise Lake in Lewis Morris Park in Morristown. Please bring a picnic meal for your family, snacks, chairs, towels, beach toys and beach umbrella. Come play! Free for members. Fee for non-members.

Friday, October 1: 8:00 pm – 9:30 pm: "Can We Talk?" (via Zoom)

A great opportunity to join experienced adoptive parents and talk about issues or challenges and share ideas. Register via our website or email to receive the day of event link. Selected topic TBD.

Saturday, October 9: Pumpkin Picking for the Whole Family!

Enjoy an afternoon of pumpkin picking, walking through the fields, enjoying the fresh air and good friends! Join us for our first pumpkin picking event with CPFA families. More details to follow!

Thursday, October 28: 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm: CPFA Adoption Book Group (via Zoom and in-person)

Please join us for a lively and thought-provoking discussion on *"This Tender Land"* by Willam Kent Drueger via Zoom Meeting online. If you would like to join us please e-mail kathleen.s.walz56@gmail.com to be included in the Zoom invite, add "CPFA Book Group Zoom" in the email subject line. An email will be sent to each attendee with the Zoom meeting link, password and instructions on joining our CPFA Book Group Discussion. See www.cpfan.org for more details.

Saturday, November 6: 10:00 am – 11:30 am: "Can We Talk?" (via Zoom)

To help celebrate National Adoption Awareness Month, please join us for a special virtual Zoom presentation. Topic TBD. Register via our website or email to receive the day of event link.

Saturday, December 4: 11:00 am – 1:00 pm: A Holiday Party! (Tentative)

More details to follow! We will also offer the opportunity to donate through our website so CPFA may purchase gift cards for foster children within the Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P). Website will be updated with details.

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, March 5, 2022

NJ's 39th Annual "Let's Talk Adoption"sm Virtual Conference!

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Concerned Persons For Adoption (CPFA) is a non-profit organization in the State of New Jersey dedicated to the belief that every child deserves a family. CPFA is not an adoption agency, but a volunteer organization working to support those who wish to adopt, and to provide educational and networking resources for those who have adopted.