# Monthly Calendar August 2018 Events and Programs

#### ADULT ADOPTEE AND BIRTHPARENT HUB

# **General Discussion Meetings**

Support and discussion groups for adult adoptees, birthparents, adoptive parents, prospective parents, professionals and anyone interested in learning about the adoption journey.

Cincinnati • Aug. 18, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Cincinnati Public Library, 2747 Erie Ave. Cincinnati 45208

Columbus • Aug. 14, 7-9 p.m.

Columbus Library, 5590 Karl Rd. Columbus 43229

**Heights • Aug. 16, 7-9 p.m.** Church of the Saviour, 2537 Lee Rd. Cleveland Heights 44118

Lake County (Mentor) • Aug. 28, 7-9 p.m. Mentor Baptist Church, 7500 Johnnycake Ridge Rd. Mentor 44060

**Miami Valley • Aug. 16, 6:30-8:30 p.m.** Wright Memorial Library, 1776 Far Hills Ave. Oakwood 45419

**Rocky River • Aug. 2, 7-9 p.m.** West Shore Unitarian Church, 20401 Hilliard Dr. Rocky River 44116 Summit County • Aug. 8, 7-9 p.m. MedPoint Medical Center, 650 Graham Rd. Cuyahoga Falls 44221 Virtual Webcam • Aug. 23, 8-10 p.m. EDT Preregistration is required online.

Meeting info and registration at bit.ly/generalmtgs

# **Cross-Cultural Adoptee Voices**

**Tuesday, Aug. 21, 7-8:30 p.m.** A place for transnational and transracial adoptees to come together and share experiences with each other. In this second of three meetings, attendees discuss concepts of home and belonging, and what that might mean for transnational and transracial adoptees.

More info at <a href="http://bit.ly/2MxdOtC">http://bit.ly/2MxdOtC</a>

#### FOSTER YOUTH AND ALUMNI HUB

# Get Real

Aug. 2 (Girls) and Aug. 14 (Boys), 4:30-6:30

**p.m.** An educational and supportive group for youth in permanent custody placed in foster care that provides a safe place to share experiences and explore feelings about foster care and adoption.

5225 Library Ln., Maple Heights 44137 More info at <u>bit.ly/GetRealANC</u>

#### TOPIC: It Wasn't Me (Responsibility)

Youth will gain insight into the importance of being personally responsible for their own behaviors and actions. Youth will learn how changing their behaviors can change the outcomes for some situations. Youth will be able to identify times when they did not take responsibility and how they can change these behaviors in the future.



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#### FAMILY HUB

# Adoption 101: Where Do I Begin?

**Saturday, Aug. 11, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.** This workshop provides a realistic overview of adoption options and the process involved in each from both professionals and parents. The information and resources offered help attendees decide the best route for their adoption journey.

Member cost: \$20 per person, \$35 per couple Non-Member: \$35 per person, \$55 per couple Add \$5 if paying the day of the workshop. More info at <u>bit.ly/ANC101</u>

# Family Ties Parent & Youth Group

**Thursday, Aug. 9, 6-8 p.m.** A monthly group where adoptive, foster and kinship families meet and share experiences and learn from each other and featured presenters. Parent group, youth group, and activities for children ages 2 through 10 run concurrently. Potluck meal.

PARENT TOPIC: Education in the 21st Century YOUTH TOPIC: It Wasn't Me! (Responsibility) More info at <u>bit.ly/FamilyTiesANC</u>

### **EMBRACE Mentor Orientation**

**Saturday, Aug. 18, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.** A mentoring program providing youth (ages 10+) in adoptive and kinship families with a one-on-one connection to an additional caring adult and role model who builds a relationship to provide support and stability. More info at <u>bit.ly/MentoringANC</u>

#### Ohio Child Welfare Training Program Adoption and Foster Parent Training

#### Wednesday, Aug. 1, 6-9 p.m.

TOPIC: Single Adoptive Training **Thursday, Aug. 16, 6-9 p.m.** TOPIC: Effective Communication Within Families **Saturday, Aug. 25, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.** TOPIC: Discipline in Foster Care—Managing our Behavior to Manage Theirs More info at <u>bit.ly/ANCparenttraining</u>

# **Annual Summer Cookout**

Each year we gather for a fun afternoon of games for all ages, face painting, prizes, raffles and more. Come hang out with old friends and make new ones. Hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks are provided. Bring your favorite side dish and dessert to share. **Date and Time** Sunday, Aug. 26, 2-5 p.m. **Location** East Pavilion at Edgewater Park

# For more information or to RSVP

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