

# Concerned Persons for Adoption (CPFA) 2019 Program and Events Calendar As of 12-13-18

Each year CPFA has four family social events, four book club meetings, a yearly fundraising event as well as a the flagship annual conference at Rutgers University in the spring and the mini-conference in the fall. We hope you will join us! Please check our website for updates at <a href="https://www.cpfanj.org">www.cpfanj.org</a> and find us on Facebook at CPFA NJ.

## Thursday, January 24: 7:30 – 9:00 pm: CPFA Adoption Book Group

Please join us for a lively and thought-provoking discussion on the book, "All You Can Ever Know" by Nicole Chung. Meeting held at Panera Bread, 187 Colombia Turnpike, Florham Park, NJ 07932. Check website for updates in the event of inclement weather.

### Sunday, January 27: 1:00 – 3:00 pm: Family Roller Skating

Break up the winter blues and join us for some fun roller skaing! Meet us at Florham Park Roller Rink, 192 Ridgedale Avenue, Florham Park, NJ 07932. Since this is a new event, more details will be provided on our website.

## Saturday, March 9: 12:00 – 3:00 pm: CPFA Heritage Party

Come celebrate your heritage with us! We come from many backgrounds through adoption and birth. This is an opportunity to teach our children about those traditions and for them to feel a sense of pride in their heritage. It's also fun for children as well as adults to explore and taste the richness of other cultures. Bring a dish to share from your heritage, your child's heritage, or both! Drinks will be supplied by CPFA. FREE to CPFA Members; \$10 per family for non-members. Held at First Presbyterian Church of Whippany, 494 Whippany Road, Whippany, NJ. See website for details.

## Thursday, April 25: 7:30 – 9:00 pm: CPFA Adoption Book Group

Please join us for a lively and thought-provoking discussion on the book "Far From the Tree" by Robin Benway. Meeting held at Panera Bread, 187 Colombia Turnpike, Florham Park, NJ 07932. Check website for updates.

# Thursday, May 2: 19th Annual CPFA Golf Classic

This is the only fundraiser for CPFA; the cost of the event includes breakfast, door prizes, greens fees, and a great luncheon. Held at Black Bear Golf Course in Franklin, NJ. For more information, please contact Hugh O'Neill, Ways & Means Chairperson at 908-552-9342.

## Saturday, May 4: 8:30 am - 4:00 pm: NJ's 37th Annual "Let's Talk Adoption" Conference

Join us for a full day of 30 + workshops on pre- and post-adoptive issues at our 37th annual adoption conference at the Rutgers University Busch Campus Center, in Piscataway, NJ. This conference is coordinated by Concerned Persons for Adoption and is co-sponsored by the New Jersey Interagency Adoption Council 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 website for details.

## Sunday, May 19: Family Day at Turtle Back Zoo

Please join us for a great time at the Turtle Back Zoo! Fun starts at 12:30 pm. Group rates for 15 or more people are \$10.00 per person. To get the discounted rate, we must have at least 15 registered people and pay in advance to CPFA. See website for details and registration.

### Thursday, July 25: 7:30 – 9:00 pm: CPFA Adoption Book Group

Please join us for a lively and thought-provoking discussion on the book, "The Oprhans Tale" by Pam Jenoff. Meeting held at Panera Bread, 187 Colombia Turnpike, Florham Park, NJ 07932. Check website for updates.

### Saturday, July 27: 1:00 – 5:30 pm: CPFA Summer Family Picnic

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.

### A Saturday in October: 8:30 am - 2:00 pm: CPFA's 8th Annual Mini Conference

Please join us for our eighth Annual CPFA "Mini Conference" that will feature topics that are sure to be of interest to many families, including workshops for prospective parents, adoptive parents and children ages seven to teens. See website for location and details.

### Thursday, October 24: 7:30 – 9:00 pm: CPFA Adoption Book Group

Please join us for a lively and thought-provoking discussion on the book, "News of the World" by Paulette Jiles. Meeting held at Panera Bread, 187 Colombia Turnpike, Florham Park, NJ 07932. Check website for updates.

### Saturday, November 2: 3:00 – 5:00 pm: Bowling Party for the Whole Family

Please join us for our Family Bowling Party! If your family would like to dress up in costume to continue the Halloween theme, please do so! FREE to CPFA members; \$10 per family for non-members. Hanover Lanes, Route 10 East, Hannover, NJ. Check website for details.

## Saturday, December 7: 1:00 - 4:00 pm: Holiday Party

Please join us for a fun party! FREE to CPFA members; \$10 per family for non-members. Please bring a gift for your child (no more than \$10 - \$15 please), as well as an unwrapped gift card or a donation for us to purchase a gift card for a foster child within the Division of Child Protection and Permanency (formerly known as DYFS). Held at the First Presbyterian Church of Whippany, 494 Whippany Road, Whippany, NJ. See website for details.

**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.