



Kinship Newsletter

Thurston-Lewis-Mason Counties

October – 2020

Alliance
for Child Welfare Excellence

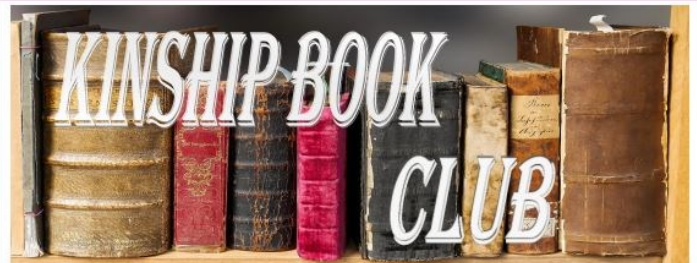
Kinship 101- Relative/Kinship Caregiving: Navigating Change in Family Dynamics, and Relative/Kinship Caregiving: Supporting the Child in Your Care

Are classes offered by our training partner, the Alliance for Child Welfare Excellence at the University of Washington. The classes are addressed to kinship caregivers and discuss navigating resources, changing family dynamics/relationships, and supporting children experiencing foster care. Here is the link:

<https://allianceforchildwelfare.org/course-catalog/search-revised>

Visit the website:

1. Select the "Caregivers" option
 2. Type, "relative" in the search box (the classes are written for kinship caregiver including relatives)
 3. Hit the blue "Search" button
- o The class is offered in both webinar and one-on-one format (called a "coaching session"). Folks can sign up for these options by clicking on the course title and appropriate training format.

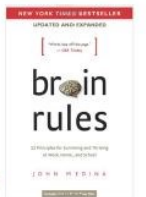


We are beginning our Kinship Book Club Again!!

Join us on Monday **October 26th, 2020**
from 10:30 am – noon on Zoom

We will:

- o Discuss John Medina's 'Brain Rules' - Rules #1- #3
- o Calendar future Meeting dates
- o Brainstorm for how we would like our Book Club to proceed



Please use this link to pre-register for the Book Club Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/tZ0odeCqz0uGNMk0toX2XDaf0iainMk1rV>

Questions? Need a copy of the Book?

Contact Tammara@familyess.org or phone 360.972.0042



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Join the Kinship Group on Zoom

Take a much needed break, meet up with your fellow Kinship Caregivers & enjoy some well deserved "Me Time" in a very supportive environment.

Meetings are:

Tuesday Afternoons 2 - 3:30 pm

Wednesday Evenings 6:30 - 8 pm

Contact Tammara for signup information:

Tammara@familyess.org

zoom



IF YOU
stumble,
MAKE IT PART
OF THE
dance



2020 VOICES OF CHILDREN

Zareeah is happy to have her grandparents and sisters. They have given her so much love and care.



ENTRY OF MERIT: **Gunny (10)**

LIVING WITH MY GRANDMA IS LIKE A ROLLER COASTER WITH EVERY UP AND DOWN.



Hallo autumn



ENTRY OF MERIT:

Zareeah (7)



Y OF MERIT: **Emma (14)**

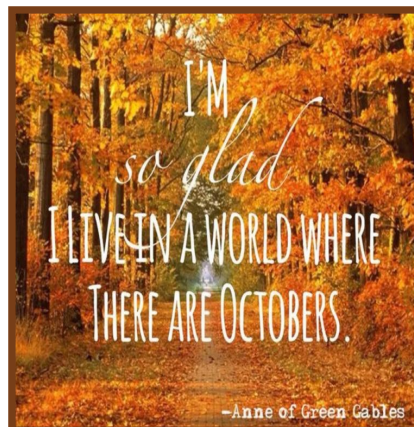


HOW DO YOU MEND
A BROKEN
JACK-O'-LANTERN?

WITH
A PUMPKIN PATCH.

Alive: By -EMMA

They were there for me
They held My hand when times were dark
Helped me see light in the dead of night
When I would cry
Standing by My side They said
"You will be alright."
They didn't lie
They cried with me
Fought battles with me
I almost died
They stood by my side
Regardless of the time
They are the reason
I am alive.



2020 Jubilee-Giving Tree Program

Deadline for Application

Submission is Oct. 30, 2020

Questions?

Contact Tammara at

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Notifications during COVID-19 on our
Facebook Group Page**



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