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NSAC Mediumship Directive Published

On June 9, a letter regarding NSAC policy on demonstration of mediumship on its church platforms was sent to all pastors, pastoral-committee members, credentialed workers, and students. The letter restates as a directive the policy regarding mediumship which was promulgated in

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1997 and restated in 2011. Recently, there has been concern regarding adherence to this policy and the requirements for correct demonstration by mediums in NSAC churches.

It was requested that the directive, issued as a letter from President Christine Krithades, be copied and distributed to all mediums serving church platforms. If not received from your church, those wanting a copy can request it from NSAC Secretary Carol Luetkens at nsacsecretary@nsac.org.

Church Website Address for Sale without Notice

Have you ever attempted to reach a known church website and up pops a notice that the website is for sale? What has happened?

Usually, the problem is that the domain registration (*annual or multi-year*) unknowingly expired because it was not renewed. It is too late then to renew or reclaim the church domain without payment of a "sale" fee to the hijacking seller.

How can this be avoided? Determine and record the domain renewal date with other important church information. Usually the date is the anniversary of the date the domain was registered. If unsure, the date can be

verified by visiting the WhoIs website at <https://whois.icann.org/en> and entering the domain name. The registration expiration is tagged *Registry Expiry Date*.

It is important to keep updated all information in the registration records, including each of three contacts for the domain: Registrant, Admin, and Tech.

Suspicious Email Purportedly from NSAC

"I received it and perceived it was bogus immediately. Deleted it without downloading or clicking on anything in the message," reported one NSAC leader who received the bogus message.

Some NSAC auxiliaries and members received a "spoof" email between May 26 and 30. At first glance, the message appeared to be from NSAC. It was not. Alert recipients quickly realized there was possible danger in the email, which asked recipients to click on a link in the message to view a document.

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Doing so possibly could have brought a virus or other malware to the recipient's computer.

What should we be aware of in email we receive, to avoid being a victim of those wanting to do harm to us and our computer?

- Be wary of email arriving from someone you don't know.
- Be very aware of email spoofing, i.e., email purportedly from someone you know but not sent by them.
- Do not click on any link in, or attachment to, an unknown sender's email. This is where the danger most often lies.

- If possible attempt to validate the message by contacting the sender independent of answering the message received.

What were the tipoff characteristics of the message purportedly sent by NSAC?

- The NSAC "From" address is incorrect.
- The email subject, "Important Memo," is not a subject or in a style used by NSAC.
- NSAC does not speak in terms of "only authorized personnel."
- NSAC does not ask recipients to click on message links to access unknown websites.
- The signature, "Management," is not one that NSAC uses.

The safest action on questionable emails is to delete them and follow up by phone or email inquiry as to the validity of the message.

Arizona Church Relocates

Church of the Living Spirit, NSAC, formerly of Glendale, will commence meeting in a new location effective July 2. The church will be located at 15414 North 19th Avenue, Suite A, Phoenix. The Reverend Havivah Richards, Pastor, looks forward to welcoming everyone there.

Reminders

June 30: Fiscal-year end; begin preparing records for annual report

August 1: *Credential Renewal Application* due to church secretary from Ordained Ministers, National Spiritualist Teachers, and NSAC Missionaries

August 31: *Annual Report and Convention Delegate Credential* forms from each auxiliary due at NSAC. Check for earlier due date if member of state association

October 22-27: NSAC Convention 2017, Milwaukee

Bookstore News

Summer is a traditional time of the year for children and young adults to explore new books while on summer vacation from school. Our Bookstore is pleased to offer these suggestions to enhance their reading enjoyment and their overall summertime experience. These selections make wonderful gifts for children and grandkids.

How Do I Know God Loves Me?, by Melanie Richardson Dundy. Questions about God, asked by children, answered simply and directly through the beauty of nature.

LY625, \$7.00

Love Is Everlasting, by Jessica Jung. As a young boy grieves the death of his father, he discovers how to con-

nect with those who are gone from earth, but not from our hearts.

LY 622, \$11.00

Kids Who See Ghosts, by Caron B. Goode. This volume takes a close look at kids who see spirit and teaches them empowerment strategies. It helps guide parents who want to teach their children to keep their minds open how to navigate through their interactions with these "invisible friends."

BKS942, \$17.00

Order from NSAC Bookstore, PO Box 217, Lily Dale, NY 14752, nsacbookstore@nsac.org, 716-595-2000. Checks and credit cards accepted. If order total is \$100 or more, prepayment of 50% is required.

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