



NSAC News

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Letter from the President

Hello Dear Friends,

October 2, 1959, Rod Sterling's The Twilight Zone aired for the first time. The first episode was entitled "Where is Everybody?" Many of us feel like we have been living in a twilight zone for the last six months. The fellowship we enjoyed at church disappeared overnight. For many church members gone were the weekly hugs and greetings.

The good news is that we all figured out Zoom. Elderly folks who thought "I can't possibly do that" were delighted to be empowered with this technology. Zoom has jumped from 10 million to over 200 million users who are delighted to be able to connect with friends, family, and yes, even business associates. And who hasn't had that momentary Zoom embarrassment when your kitty walks across your computer or your spouse yells, what's for dinner honey? My border collie puppy likes to put her paws up on the desk, and during one particularly important meeting, decided to turn a cd jewel box into a chew toy!

The Zoom connection is a blessing for our churches. Looking at the glass as half full, rather than half empty, we are able to tell our friends, go to this site and see what we do. We are able to dissipate the concerns people have about our religion and show them what true mediumship is. We are able to prove the truth of our religion: there is no death, there are no dead.

What better proof is there than for someone to receive a Spirit greeting from a loved one who has passed. Each of us has experienced what I call "the ah ha" moment. Once you have experienced it, you understand why we say Spiritualism is not a religion of conversion, but of conviction.

Stay safe, stay positive and well my friends!

With blessings and love,
Christine Krithades, J.D., OM, NST, CH
President

From the Secretary

Just a few friendly reminders:

Renewals for Ordained Ministers and National Spiritualist Teachers were due August 31. If you have not yet renewed your credentials, please do so. Every credentialed person is required to submit a renewal form. The fee for those who are not exempt is \$115 to be enclosed with your renewal form to your current church, who will forward \$105 to the NSAC with your credential.

Auxiliary Annual reports were due and were to be postmarked no later than August 31. There are several auxiliaries that have yet to submit their report. A reminder that you are required to provide the NSAC with a copy of insurance, and an itemized list of miscellaneous expenses. The charter fee is \$100, and per capita \$20 for each member.

NSAC Executive Church student members are required to submit a quarterly report, which was due to the NSAC office September 30. Please submit your report if you haven't done so.

Any department head, committee chairperson, trustee and all those who are required to submit an annual report, those reports were due to the NSAC office by August 31. For those who have submitted their report, they can be found on our website; nsac.org in the members pages.

A Week of Online Events October 10 - 17

Join Spiritualists from around the world for a special seven-day series of Virtual Workshops and Church Services. All events are presented on Zoom.

Free Workshops & Events:

Many of these special events are open to everyone, and do not require an NSAC church membership to attend. You must register individually in advance for all events.

Saturday Oct 10, 2020

A Gathering of NSAC Members and your Board - Starts at 1pm CT and is open to all NSAC members only. This is your opportunity to meet and chat with the NSAC Board of Trustees. Please pass this along to any NSAC Member: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82934462336?pwd=VW82eDZSVzRYTzRRazdGeEF2Vk9CUT09>

The Monday (October 12) evening event 9:00 ET has been canceled. Accept our apologies.

Tuesday Oct 13, 2020

The Teachings of Spiritualism - 12:00-1:00 pm ET.

Pioneers & History of Spiritualism - 1:30-2:30 pm ET, Rev. Betty Hutt, NST.

Science, Philosophy & Religion of Spiritualism - 3:00-4:30 pm ET, Rev. Sharon Watson, NST.

Starting a Home Circle; Learning from Spirit - Rev. Stacy Kopchinski, NST

Register in advance for this Workshop: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcpfu6vrz0uEtwSvnEsa5qQJkaBv3mqyOkk>

Wednesday Oct 14, 2020

Working Together for Spiritualism - 12:00-1:00 pm ET. Rev. Rosemary Calderalo, NST. Roles of church board and Pastor/Pastoral Committee members.

Register in advance for this Workshop: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0of-mvrTloEtUnWXRNDpOZZWakzNVTQy0v>

Thursday Oct 15, 2020

Spiritualist Healing Past Present and Future - 4:00-5:00 pm ET, Rev. Stacy Kopchinski CH, CM, and NST

Register in advance for this Workshop: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUvduqvrz0sH9M6W-zORl86ZLoy4vKM4BIC>

Saturday Oct 17, 2020

Spiritualist Lyceum for Children and Families – 1:00-2:00 pm ET, Rev. Havi Richards, Director of Lyceums. This class is for children of all ages and their parents.

Register in advance for this Lyceum Class: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZclfu6opzooqEtaKLyNuWj_WxyPedDXVmCl

Saturday Oct 17, 2020

Building a Family Community in Your Spiritualist Church or Camp – 5:00-6:00 pm ET. Join the Department of Lyceums as they give tips and tricks to establishing a children's or family lyceum in your Spiritualist Church or Camp. Learn what to expect from a Lyceum Teacher, how to build your younger membership, and how to attract families.

Register in advance for this Workshop: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYkduupqTwjGdC2xE3OZHNoOjUbgBVFXvNo>

Paid Workshops & Events

These workshops require payment and are open to everyone. You do not need to be a member of NSAC church to attend. Register individually in advance for all events.

Fee-required workshops are \$25 for members and \$40 for non-church members. Please use the appropriate general admission ticket link. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Monday Oct 12, 2020

Advanced Mediumship Development – 11:00 am – 2:00 pm ET (3 hours), Richard P. Schoeller.

Click this link to purchase tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/advance-mediumship-development-tickets-117041218435>

Monday Oct 12, 2020

Introduction to Trance Mediumship 3:30pm – 6:30 pm ET (3 hours), Richard P. Schoeller

Click this link to purchase tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/introduction-to-trance-mediumship-tickets-117074381627>

Friday Oct 16, 2020

Exploring Precipitated Spirit Art – 12:00-2:00 pm ET, Robin Hodson, President of ISF

Click this link to purchase tickets and link will be sent out the evening before the event: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/exploring-precipitated-art-tickets-118540470739>

Friday Oct 16, 2020

Exploring Physical Mediumship – 3:00-5:00 pm ET, Robin Hodson, President of ISF

Click this link to purchase tickets and link will be sent out the evening before the event: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/exploring-physical-mediumship-tickets-118558456535>

Religious Virtual Church Services

Services begin at 8:00 pm ET. These services are open to everyone. You do not need to be a member of NSAC church to attend. You must register individually in advance for all services.

Tuesday Oct 13, 2020

Hosted by The NST Club service. Chairperson: Reverend Sharon Watson, NST Inspirational speaker and medium: Reverend Richard Schoeller, NST.

Register in advance for this church service: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcpfu6vvrz0uEtwSvnEsa5qOjkaBv3mqyOkk>

Wednesday Oct 14, 2020

Hosted by The Ministerial Association – Chairperson: Reverend Norma Turner, NST. Inspirational speaker and medium: TBD.

Register in advance for this Church Service: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYpc-2gpzqgGny-vllr9BHZFwwtu2EAUSDA>

Thursday Oct 15, 2020

Special Healing Service. Hosted by The Healers League. Chairperson: Rev. Havi Richards, NST.

Register in advance for this Healing Service: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYucOupj8oGNIJH5KyDH58Ed55KXAP72gP>

Friday Oct 16, 2020

Special Student Service. Hosted by The Licentiate Minister & Certified Medium Club. Chairperson: Reverend Sharon Watson, NST. Inspirational Speaker and Medium, TBD.

If you are a Morris Pratt Student and working towards your credentials with the NSAC for mediumship or ministry please email the club at nsacmcm@gmail.com to find out how to serve in this religious service.

Register in advance for this Church Service: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwude2rqDwrHdfxjsVa_2tQS8ysS9CZuUIB

For more info on individual events, visit the NSAC website or NSAC Facebook page.

Gratitude Corner

Sending gratitude to James Bae, Treasurer/Secretary of Celebrate Life Progressive Spiritualist Community in San Francisco for creating and leading our online Sunday Celebration program on Zoom since COVID started. He takes the lead with making sure we have wonderful speakers and mediums from around the globe to serve as well as handling all the tech stuff. He has also created a YouTube channel for our church where many of these speakers' talks can be listened to. Thank you James, from all who benefit from your talented and generous service!

Are there members in your church or camp who deserve special recognition for their continuing service in helping build and support your auxiliary? Gratitude Corner is a place where they can be introduced and publicly thanked.

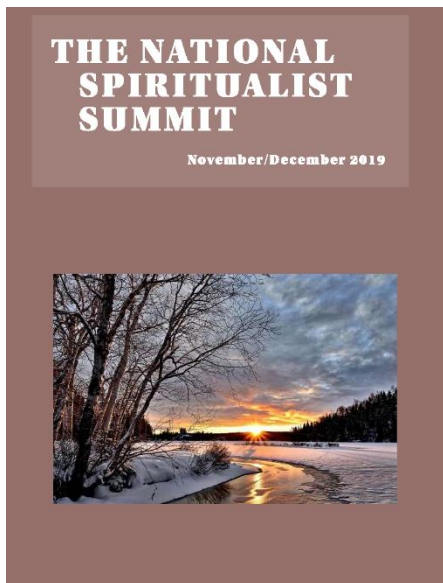
To express appreciation to these members in this column, simply contact NSAC with details at nsacsecretary@nsac.org or 716-595-2000.

Bookstore News:

The NSAC Bookstore carries several interesting books on Spiritualism. If you are looking for a spiritualist book, please call the bookstore, we may have it, or may be able to find it for you.

Past Issues of TNS For Sale

As mentioned in the September NSAC News, copies of back issues of *The National Spiritualist Summit* are available for purchase. Fifteen copies of the November/December 2019 issue are for sale. Below is an image of the front cover of the November/December 2019 issue.



Back copies of other issues will be offered for sale over time. Each copy is available for \$10.00. Complete your archive library or give a gift with back issues.

Purchase your issues by email: nsactns@nsac.org or call: 631-316-1588.

Articles included in this issue are as listed:

Nathaniel P. Tallmadge: Politician & Spiritualist
Hope is Here! Calmness in a World of Anxiety, Uncertainty, and Fear
Out-of-the-Box Mediumship
An Interview with Stewart Alexander, Part 3

Queen Victoria and Her Mediums
Media Watch
Update on the Old Schoolhouse in Newark, New York
Alfred Kitson and the British Lyceum
Talent Right Here in Our Church
Ancient Spiritualism
An Adventure into Physical Mediumship
Embracing the Change Called Death
Items from the NSAC Archive
How to Communicate with the Dead: Book Review
Talent Right Here in Our Church
Ancient Spiritualism

Frank Kotowski
 TNS Summit Editor

Spiritual Healing Requests

Spirit healings result from law-governed forces being put into operation following the sending forth of a thought directive (prayer). Spirit guides and doctors will diagnose the trouble and its cause, attention being directed to overcoming the cause, and then removing the symptoms.

Please set time aside each day to send healing thoughts for each of those listed below, that they may receive from Spirit that which is for their highest and best needs.

Denise
 Elainea S.
 Susan
 All COVID Patients

Your healing prayers are needed and benefit others in ways we may never know.

Prayer for Spiritual Healing

I ask the great unseen healing force to remove all obstructions from my mind and body and to restore me to perfect health. I ask this in all sincerity and honesty, and I will do my part.

I ask this great unseen healing force to help both present and absent ones who are in need of help and to restore them to perfect health. I put my trust and love in the power of God.

To request Spiritual Healing

In order to respect personal privacy, you first must obtain permission from the person, or from their caretaker, to be placed on the Spiritual Healing list. Then notify the Spiritual Healing Center. Spiritual healing is directed to a specific individual. To list more than one individual from a household or group, submit first name and the initial of the last name of each person. Names will be listed for two months unless removal sooner is requested. Names may be resubmitted if need continues.

Spiritual Healing Center
nsachealing@nsac.org

Dates in Spiritualism

October 7, 1838: Birthday—Margaret Fox (Fox Sisters).

October 11, 1965: Event—Sunflower banner becomes official flag of NSAC—Designed by Reverend E. Schoenfeld.

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