



# NSAC News

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## Letter from the President

As members of the NSAC we learned that Modern American Spiritualism began on March 31, 1848 with the communication between the Fox sisters and Charles Rosna. This is the time of year when we think about and select holiday gifts for each other. Mediumship is one of the greatest gifts from Spirit to us. If you were asked to state one of the purposes of mediumship, I'm sure you would say "to comfort the bereaved." I would like to take you back to the 5th century BCE in ancient Greece. The ancient Greeks believed in their loved ones continuing to live on in an afterlife.

*"Come back. Even as a shadow, even as a dream."*

This quotation from Euripides resonates with me in many ways (apart from our shared Greek heritage). Euripides was a famous playwright and considered to be the last of the classical Athenian dramatists. The other two were Aeschylus and Sophocles. Euripides wrote hundreds of plays, some of which are still being performed today. This statement reflects the sentiment many of us experienced this past year as our loved ones passed to the Spirit world. We are Spiritualists united by more than the happenstance of our birth and our life circumstances. We are united by the gift of mediumship. We are united by Spirit, and when one of us grieves, we all suffer the same bereavement. Spirit and mediumship teach us that life continues. We have each witnessed it and experienced it.

As the year 2021 draws to an end, I thank you for all your prayers for each other and love to each other. May the holiday season bring you and your loved ones peace and joy. I pray that 2022 will bring an end to this pan-

demic. I pray that 2022 will bring you and your loved ones happiness. May Spirit and joy be with you always.

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

## Credential Update

Your NSAC website will be updated after the start of the new year. We have had the honor to welcome newly credentialed workers this year. It is important that we add this information to the site.

If you send your name, address, phone number, and email address to [nsacmedia@nsac.org](mailto:nsacmedia@nsac.org), your information will be added to the directory on the website.

Congratulations to all who earned credentials as Commissioned Healer, Certified Medium, Licentiate Minister, Ordained Minister, and National Spiritualist Teacher.

—Bonnie Crosier, OM  
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## Website Update

Recently our web host experienced challenges by an incident that affected our website. Go Daddy experienced a data breach that is currently under investigation by law enforcement. Because this is not the first time Go Daddy has been in a compromised situation, our site has been moved to a new host. We apologize for any inconvenience that our users may have experienced. New safeguard measures have been added, and we hope that these additional precautions will prevent future problems.

## Acknowledgment of Donations

Donations were made as follows:

A tribute was received for the Hydesville Memorial Park Endowment Fund in the name of Bud.

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We thank all who contributed to these generous donations.

*Greetings from the NSAC*



## Prayers for Peace

Last year, Love of Spirit Spiritualist Church provided a special candlelight service to remember those who had transitioned due to violence. This service included NSAC ordained ministers, and for one night, we came together in prayer.

Next month we will once again present this program through Zoom on Sunday, January 2 at 5 PM central time. As we have seen for too many years, our nation has witnessed many victims who have lost their lives in a violent way.

### Participation:

We invite any NSAC ordained minister to offer a prayer during this service. If you are an ordained minister and wish to be included in this special service, contact our church by the email address listed below before December 20. Further instructions guiding you on how to participate in this service will be sent prior to the service.

### Attendance:

Those wishing to attend this candlelight service who are not currently included on our email list can request a Zoom invitation by using the email address below before December 26. We hope that you join us by candlelight in the safety of your homes as we pray for those who live with the fear of violence that they may find our light to bring them peace in the coming year.

—Bonnie Crosier, OM  
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## 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.

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.

Robert  
Jordan  
Eleanor  
Kyle  
Kayden  
Kamryn Lee

## 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 the need continues.

Spiritual Healing Center  
[nsachealing@nsac.org](mailto:nsachealing@nsac.org)

## Holiday Winter Solstice Candlelight Service

As we approach the shortest day of the year... Embrace the Light! Join us virtually to celebrate an evening of Light, Unity, Peace, Hope, Love, and Joy with our Zoom Spiritualist Holiday Winter Solstice Candlelight Service Sunday evening December 19, 2021 (at 5:00 PM PT, 7:00 PM CT, 8:00 PM ET) sponsored by the NSAC LM and CM Society. All are welcome!

The congregation will participate at home with candle lighting, bell ringing, and messages of the season! If possible, attend the service with a battery-operated candle or a safe wax candle to light, a bell or bells to ring, and a piece of paper to write on and a marker or pen.

This event is free, but you must sign up in advance. Click this link to register:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9101562520>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about attending the service. Dress for the season and stay after the service so we can see each other and have a virtual hug! Let's come together again to celebrate this sacred season of Light.

Carol Caesar



## From the Hydesville Memorial Park Endowment Fund

Thank you to everyone who is helping NSAC meet the Hydesville Challenge, the generous offer from of Alice Robertson, to match all donations up to \$18,480 in honor of the year 1848 and the beginning of Modern Spiritualism! As of this writing, the NSAC is within \$1,500 of meeting the match.

Thank you to the Rev. Richard P. Schoeller, for his night of mediumship on Dec. 9 and the 48 people who attended, to the 40 mediums in the U.S. and Europe who have donated readings for gift certificates (only 15 of 55 readings still available!), to the Lily Dale Assembly, which allowed for the upcoming online screening of *The Spirit Rooms of Lily Dale*, and to everyone behind the scenes making all this work. There's still time to help NSAC fully meet this match. Together, we can get it done and secure the Park's future!

To purchase a gift certificate:  
[www.eventbrite.com/e/gift-of-spirit-communication-tickets-212737271907](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/gift-of-spirit-communication-tickets-212737271907)

To attend the Spiritualist movie night, Dec. 16:  
[www.eventbrite.com/e/spiritualist-movie-night-tickets-212699809857](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/spiritualist-movie-night-tickets-212699809857)

Or to give an outright donation:  
<https://nsac.org/support-nsac-donation/>

Rosemary Calderalo

## The National Spiritualist Summit Update

We had hoped that our magazine would be published digitally with the January/February 2022 issue, but we've needed to reassess our plans. The January/February issue will be distributed as a printed magazine as before, but the issues that follow will be available as a digital magazine. More details will be forthcoming.

Frank Kotowski, Editor

## Gratitude Corner

To express appreciation to members through this column, simply provide details and contact NSAC at [Dept.pub@nsac.org](mailto:Dept.pub@nsac.org)

## Reminders

**January 25:** Observance of Founders Day honoring Andrew Jackson Davis and the founding of the Children's Progressive Lyceum.

**January 31:** Renewals of Credentials for LM, CM, and CH due at NSAC. *(Ordained ministers holding CM and CH certifications are exempt from this filing.) (File with church secretary; payable to church; church secretary forwards as group to NSAC Headquarters.)*



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Deadline: Items to be included in the current upcoming month must be submitted to the Publications Department at [Dept.pub@nsac.org](mailto:Dept.pub@nsac.org) no later than three days prior to the first day of the upcoming month.

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