



NSAC News

National Spiritualist Association of Churches, Lily Dale, New York

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NSAC Board News

The NSAC Board held their monthly board meeting on March 13. Here is a brief on the meeting.

With the unexpected resignation of the Editor of the TNS, the NSAC Board will be placing the magazine on hiatus as they work on the next steps for the magazine.

The NSAC Board has appointed The Reverend Lorraine Radice and The Reverend Bonnie Darby-Merritt as interim trustees to fill the board vacancies.

The board is looking forward to its next Town Hall Meeting with the membership. This meeting will be held via Zoom on April 24th at 8pm EST. If you have any question you would like the board to answer, please submit the question to the NSAC Secretary no later than April 5th. Please register with the link below:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0qf-GqrJrGNxziE14fsL-Qv2bZQFJ3xrxj>



The NSAC Board is updating their files on Auxiliary Bylaws, and we need your assistance. We need a copy of every Auxiliaries current Bylaws. We are requesting that every NSAC Auxiliary have their secretary mail and/or email a current copy of your Bylaws to the NSAC office.

Hydesville Memorial Park Fund

If you would like to donate to the preservation fund for the Hydesville Memorial Park.

Donations can be made through: <https://nsac.org/support-nsac/>

175th Anniversary of the Advent of Modern Spiritualism

The March 31 event at Hydesville sought people from all over the globe to participate. And they did!

The event, held at the Hydesville Memorial Park, located in Newark, New York saw over 100 visitors that day.

The day started at 11am with a fellowship meet and greet with coffee and cookies. At noon, a church service was held. Robin Hodson, ISF President, chaired the service. The Reverend Cosie Allen, NSAC President gave the sermon.

Following the service, Tracy Murphy, NSAC's caretaker of the Hydesville Memorial Park, and Historic Palmyra Museum Director spoke on the history of the Fox Cottage and the property, the Fox Family, and the Advent of Modern Spiritualism.

At 3pm, Spiritualist organizations from around the world gave presentations. The Mayor of Newark, Jonathan Taylor also read a proclamation declaring March 31st Hydesville Day.

The event ended with a closing ceremony.

Later that evening, the LM/CM Society hosted a Zoom event with a replay of the day's events. The Plymouth Spiritualist Church held a spaghetti dinner to raise money for the church and Hydesville Memorial Park.

Saturday, April 1, there was a gathering with the Lily Dale Assembly, Lily Dale, NY with an informal lunch, playing of the movie "The Spirit Rooms of Lily Dale", along with tours through the Lily Dale Museum, Assembly Hall, the Historic NSAC Office & Bookstore, and a Zoom event.

Sunday, April 2, the Plymouth Spiritualist Church held a hybrid church service to close out the weekend of events.

Auxiliary News

Congratulations goes out to The Harrison D. Barrett Memorial Church, NSAC. After closing during the pandemic, they held their Grand Re-Opening on Sunday March 5. They had 30 people come to the service. The photo is the current board: Deborah Dearborn, The Reverend Patricia Palmer, Melissa Gabriel, and Ralph Parks.

Welcome Back!



Pictured of the Board, photo used with permission.

TNS Magazine

With the board placing the magazine on hiatus, the NSAC Secretary has, based on the information received from the TNS Editor, sent a letter to everyone who has a TNS subscription, or advertisement listing in the magazine. If you have not received a letter, please send an email to nsactns@nsac.org with the start date of your subscription and/or ad, and the amount you paid, how you paid (via check, credit card via stripe) and if you want a refund.

Reminders

October 29-November 3: NSAC Convention 2023, Niagara Falls, NY

Dates in Spiritualism

April 4, 1958: Transition—Bessie Stow.

April 10, 1872: Transition—William E. Hammond, Dean of Modern Spiritualism.

April 10, 1848: Event—Maggie Fox and Lucretia Pulver (previous maid) testifies about the happenings at the Fox cottage.

April 14, 1916: Event—Original Fox Cottage transported to Lily Dale, NY by Benjamin Bartlett.

April 21, 1840-1923: Birthday—Cora L.V. Richmond (Spiritualism's orator).

Congratulations

The following auxiliaries are celebrating the anniversary of their charter with the NSAC.

APRIL:

Church of the Living Spirit, NSAC

Spiritual Living Center, NSAC

Connecticut State Spiritualist Association

The Church of the Infinite Spirit, NSAC

Church of the Spirit

Michigan State Spiritualist Association

Church of Eternal Life, NSAC

New Horizon Spiritualist Church, NSAC

MPI News

The Revs. Cosie Allen and Rosemary Calderalo, instructors for the Ministerial Skills class at the Morris Pratt Institute, are delighted to announce three new graduates of the Ministerial Skills class, completed on March 18th: Janyce Hamilton, Church of the Spirit, Illinois; Gudmundur R. Myrdal, Spiritual Church of Two Worlds, California; Ivy Tominack, 5th Spiritualist Church, Missouri. If you see or talk to these hard-working students, please be sure to offer your congratulations!



Missionary Department

In accordance with the NSAC Bylaws, the NSAC Board will name Missionaries for the NSAC at their Spring Board Meeting.

A Missionary is required to reach out to NSAC Auxiliaries and reach out to the public by responding to their inquiries about Spiritualism. Missionaries help existing churches with all Spiritual needs, church questions and help open new churches.

If you are interested in what is involved in being a Missionary for NSAC, please review the NSAC Procedures Manual, found on the members page of the NSAC website. If you have any questions, or would like to be a Missionary, please notify the NSAC Secretary by April 1.

Questions on Duties

The NSAC Board has been receiving several questions on the specific duties of auxiliary board members and Pastor/pastoral committee members. We will be highlighting some of the duties for a position each month. We also suggest you ask for a copy of your auxiliaries' current Bylaws and review them for any position specific duties. In general, the Board of Trustees shall have the general management and control of the business affairs and activities of the Society and have authority in the interim between member meetings to consider and decide all questions affecting the business of the Society. The Board is responsible for the financial affairs of the Society.

The Vice President of the board shall perform all duties of the President in the absence of the President. They also perform any other duties as the Board of Trustees may require.

Spiritual Healing Requests

Spirit healings result from law-governed forces being put into operation following the sending forth of a thought directive (prayer).

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.

Jeremy Larry Glen N Linda N

To request Spiritual Healing

To have a name listed, 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 the first name and the initial of the last name of each person. Names may be resubmitted if need continues.

Spiritual Healing Center
nsachealing@nsac.org

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Subscriptions: Make a request by email (Subject: NSAC News Request) from the address to which you want *NSAC News* sent. Your request must include: your name; and your church or camp name. A monthly email notice will contain a link to the NSAC website page from which a PDF copy can be viewed and downloaded.