



NSAC News

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NSAC Board News

The NSAC Board's next board meeting was on January 22. An update on items discussed at the meeting will be in the next issue of the NSAC News.

The NSAC Board is still seeking members who are interested in serving on several committees and departments, along with chairs/directors for those committees and departments.

If you are interested in becoming the chair/director or want to assist on any committee or department, please contact Cosie Allen via email at cosie.allen@gmail.com.

From the NSAC Secretary

The NSAC Secretary is currently working with the Department of Publications on the 2024 NSAC Yearbook. We are hoping that the book will be ready for proofreading and printing shortly.

The Secretary is also working on a project, which was started by former board members a few years ago. That project is to revamp the NSAC Website. We want to thank our webmaster, and members of the NSAC Board who are proofreading, and giving suggestions for this new update. We are hoping that this newly developed website will be ready to fully launch in early spring.

The NSAC Office has several projects ongoing currently: The digitizing project, finding and making old Spiritualist books that are no longer copyrighted, updating the bookstore catalog, keeping records current, demolition of the Burnham, IL church, updating brochures and forms among other projects.

We are in the final phase with Iron Mountain on the digitizing of our archives. This last phase includes The National Summit (TNS) magazines. These magazines go back to 1919 and having them digitized will be an asset to this organization as well as outside researchers and authors.

The next phase, which has just begun, is to edit, and organize the digitized files, so access can be made easily. We also have "people" files digitized from the 1800's, so we can provide documents and research our pioneers more efficiently.

The former Puritan Spiritualist Church, Burnham, IL, structure has had the asbestos removed, and has received the go ahead for the next phase. The demolition company is now working on the permits needed for demolition. Hopefully they will be granted shortly, and demolition can be done within the next month or so. Once the structure is removed, we will be working on selling the property.

The Secretary would like to remind you that your credential renewals were due at the NSAC Office December 31. If you haven't already submitted yours, please do so.



Missionary Corner

The Department of Missionaries is seeking individuals who are willing to assist our auxiliaries. They are putting together a database of members willing to assist in audio/video; speaking; teaching; and generally working with auxiliaries.

If you are willing to help our auxiliaries, and assist them to grow, please contact the Director of Missionaries, The Reverend Betty Hutt via email at missionary@nsac.org.

If you have time, and are seeking to share your talents to flourish, don't hesitate to contact Betty. Our missionary philosophy is to share what we have, whether it is time, talent, or knowledge. We all need to work together to strengthen and grow this organization.

NSAC Bookstore News

The NSAC Bookstore winter hours will be:

Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri, 9:30am – 5pm EST.

We are always searching for true Spiritualist books. If you know of a great book we should carry, but don't, please email us. In addition, we have several NSAC members who have written spectacular books on Spiritualism. We are looking to contact the authors, and hopefully be able to spotlight them in the future.

If you are looking for a special book, we may be able to special order it for you. Email us at:

nsacbookstore@nsac.org

Thank You!

The Reverend Marilyn Awtry has given the NSAC permission to reprint books that she has authored, once she has exhausted her stock. This is not the first time that Marilyn has given us permission to reprint books. We are eternally grateful for her generosity, and commitment to spread Spiritualism.

Richard Newburg has offered to purchase the NSAC Office a desktop, professional book scanner. This will allow us to continue our efforts to digitize our precious archival items.

On behalf of the NSAC Board, membership, and those seeking a better understanding of Spiritualism, we thank both The Reverend Marilyn Awtry, and Richard Newburg for their donations.



Congratulations

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

February:

Church of Two Worlds, NSAC, CA

Church of Peace & Light, CT

Church of Spiritual Growth, NSAC, MA
First Spiritualist Temple of Royal Oak, MI

First Spiritualist Church of Houston, TX

First Spiritualist Church of West Allis, WI

Did You Know?

Did you know that the NSAC Office has a research library? A place to search our digitized archives of magazines and newspapers dating back to the 1800's? You can now research on our computer in the library, or research any of our books. Please contact the NSAC Bookstore to make an appointment if you wish to come in.

Reminders

4th Sunday in March: Gratitude Day.

In honor of the founding of Modern Spiritualism. "A special love offering shall be taken for the NSAC Spiritualist Benevolent Society.

March 31: Advent of Modern Spiritualism.

March 31: Nominations for NSAC Awards due to the NSAC Office postmarked no later than March 31. Form can be found on the NSAC website.

Dates in Spiritualism

February 3, 1811-1872: Birthday-Horace Greeley (Abe Lincoln of Modern Spiritualism).

February 11, 1870: Event – Katie Fox Séance Automatic Writing of Benjamin Franklin.

February 16, 1836-1907: Birthday-Moses Hull (1st President of MPI)

February 26, 1798-1872: Birthday-Isaac Post (Protected the Fox Sisters).

NSAC 2024 Annual Convention

The 2024 NSAC Annual Convention will be held at the Wyndham Orlando Resort, International Drive September 22 – 27.

Auxiliary Corner

As stated in the missionary section of this newsletter, there are some auxiliaries struggling to find reputable instructors and/or speakers. If you are willing to assist any auxiliary, whether next door, or across the country, please contact the Director of the Department of Missionaries, The Reverend Betty Hutt at missionary@nsac.org.

Gratitude Day

In accordance with the NSAC Bylaws, "the 4th Sunday of March in each year shall be known as Gratitude Day. Chartered church societies **shall** hold a special service in honor of the founding of Modern Spiritualism and of the workers who have devoted their lives to The Cause. A special love offering **shall** be taken for the NSAC Spiritualist Benevolent Society."

These donations assist our members who have dedicated their lives to Spiritualism. We currently have several members who receive a monthly stipend from this fund, which assists them with their financial needs. If you, or anyone you know, fits the criteria below, and is in need, please contact the NSAC Secretary.

Spiritualist Benevolent Society (SBS) criteria:

Member of the NSAC based upon need and twenty (20) years of NSAC Church membership.

Must be a member of an NSAC Church and maintain their membership.

Must be recommended by more than one person or by their church board.



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 in the love and power of God.

Dillion, Rose, Medhat, Ruth, Janet, Colin, Karen, Vicki, Acie, Nick, Jeanette, Can dance, Nanci, Frank, Vincent, Josh, Chris, Nancy, Sophia, Vincent, Mary Jo, Antonio

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
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