Resources

Lyceum Manual

NSAC publishes the *Spiritualist Lyceum Manual* for use by leaders and others wanting general information, lesson material, and topics for discussion. Available from the NSAC Bookstore.

Lyceum Spotlight

The *Lyceum Spotlight* magazine features content for fun, growth, Spiritualism, and sharing. Published six times per year and available by individual or group subscription. Contact:

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NSAC Bookstore

The NSAC Bookstore has available many titles specifically written and published for Lyceum use. Contact the Bookstore at:

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Form A Lyceum at Your Church

Help is available to guide you in starting a Lyceum at your church. Lyceums may be organized to serve people of all ages.

Simply contact NSAC and request that someone from the Department of Lyceums contact you.

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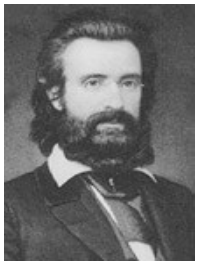
Sunday School at Spiritualist Churches

Lyceum
(ly·ce'um)

The word "Lyceum" comes from the Greek word "Lukeios." This Greek Lyceum was in a grove near Athens, where Aristotle and other philosophers taught. Here there was free interaction between teachers and pupils. They strolled and discussed their lessons which mainly pertained to nature.

Spiritualist Lyceum History

The first Lyceum in America was organized by Andrew Jackson Davis on January 25, 1863, in Dodsworth Hall, Broadway, New York.



A. J. Davis called the Spiritualist Sunday School a Lyceum, due to the revelations he had of how children learn in the Spirit World. He saw children grouped together, studying lessons about the natural science. Davis desired to bring this type of education to children on the earth plane, so that they might learn the truth and the laws of nature.

As time went on, Lyceum continued more as ordinary Sunday School, whose purpose was to provide for the study of Spiritualism for all ages through a harmonious and caring fellowship.

Declaration of Principles

As Spiritualists, we have no bound creed or set of dogmas. The *Declaration of Principles* was formed and adopted by the National Spiritualist Association of Churches in their conventions, for the purpose of clarifying and stating in a concise manner what Spiritualists accept as truth. They have been simplified for use with young people in Lyceums.

Declaration of Principles
Lyceum Version

1. We believe in God.
2. We believe that God is expressed through all nature.
3. True religion is living in obedience to nature's laws.
4. We never die.
5. Spiritualism proves that we can talk with people in the Spirit World.
6. Be kind, do good, and others will do likewise.
7. We bring unhappiness to ourselves by the errors we make and we will be happy if we obey the laws of life.
8. Every day is a new beginning.
9. Prophecy and healing are expressions of God.

Healing Prayer
Lyceum Version

I ask God's healing power
to make me whole and well.
I know that I work with God,
through my thoughts and actions
to make this happen.
I ask God's healing power
to heal other people
near and far away.
I trust that God
will answer this healing prayer.

Flag Salute
by C. Fannie Allyn

Hail, Star-Spangled Banner,
the sign of the free!
Our hearts and our hands
pledge allegiance to thee;
We salute thee, and
echo from shore unto shore,
One Country united,
one Flag evermore.

Sunflower Banner Salute
Spiritualist Flag
by June E. Killmer

Hail Sunflower Banner,
symbol of our faith!
Leading us ever onward
we turn to truth and right,
Always helping mankind
in the search for light.