

NSAC Board News

The Camp Season Has Begun!

As another summer season unfolds, the National Spiritualist Association of Churches Board of Directors extends warm greetings and best wishes to all of our NSAC Camps as they open their gates and welcome visitors, members, students, mediums, healers, and seekers from across the country.

For generations, Spiritualist camps have served as sacred gathering places where individuals come together to learn, worship, develop their gifts, renew friendships, and experience the unique fellowship that exists within our Spiritualist community. Whether attending a workshop, a healing service, a message service, or simply enjoying the peaceful surroundings, camp provides an opportunity to reconnect with Spirit and with one another.

We encourage everyone to explore the many opportunities offered by our NSAC-affiliated camps this season.

- **Pine Grove Spiritualist Camp (Ladies Aid Society)** – Niantic, Connecticut
- **Madison Spiritualist Camp Meeting Association** – Madison, Maine
- **Temple Heights Spiritual Camp Association** – Northport, Maine
- **On-I-Set Wigwam Spiritualist Camp** – Onset, Massachusetts
- **Northern Lake Michigan Spiritualist Camp** – Charlevoix, Michigan
- **Chain Lakes Spiritualist Camp Association** – South Branch, Michigan
- **Lily Dale Assembly** – Lily Dale, New York
- **Camp Edgewood, NSAC** – Milton, Washington
- **Western Wisconsin Spiritualist Camp Association (Wonewoc)** – Wonewoc, Wisconsin

Each camp offers its own distinctive history, programs, traditions, and spiritual atmosphere. We invite you to visit their websites and Facebook pages to learn more about upcoming events,

classes, services, and special programs. Consider planning a day trip, a weekend getaway, or an extended stay to experience firsthand the inspiration and fellowship that Spiritualist camp life provides.

There is something special about gathering with fellow Spiritualists—sharing experiences, learning together, supporting one another, and celebrating our common belief in the continuity of life and communication with Spirit. Our camps continue to be living centers of Spiritualism, preserving our heritage while welcoming future generations.

On behalf of the NSAC Board of Directors, we thank our camp leaders, volunteers, workers, and residents for their dedication and service. We wish all of our camps a successful and spiritually uplifting season and encourage everyone to take advantage of these wonderful opportunities for growth, learning, and fellowship.

We hope to see you at camp this summer!

From the NSAC Secretary

As summer arrives and the gates of Lily Dale Assembly open to welcome thousands of visitors from around the world, the work of the NSAC Secretary's Office enters one of its busiest and most rewarding seasons.

One of our greatest opportunities each summer is sharing information about the National Spiritualist Association of Churches with those who visit Lily Dale. Many guests are curious about Spiritualism, our churches, camps, educational programs, and the work of the NSAC. Through conversations, literature, and personal connections, we have the privilege of introducing visitors to the principles and practices of Modern Spiritualism and helping them learn more about our organization.

The NSAC Bookstore continues to serve as an important outreach center

within Lily Dale. Visitors can find books on Spiritualism, mediumship, healing, philosophy, and personal spiritual development, along with NSAC publications and educational materials. We are fortunate to have two dedicated part-time employees who assist in the operation of the bookstore and help answer questions from guests seeking information about Spiritualism and the NSAC.

This season, we are also making a special effort to distribute NSAC brochures throughout the camp grounds and to interested visitors. These brochures provide an introduction to Spiritualism, explain the mission of the NSAC, and offer information on our affiliated churches, camps, educational opportunities, and membership. Every brochure shared is an opportunity to plant a seed of understanding and invite others to explore the Spiritualist philosophy.

While serving the needs of the current season, preparations are already underway for the **2026 NSAC Convention**, which will be held in **Rochester, New York, in October 2026**. Convention planning involves many months of coordination, communication, and organization to ensure a successful gathering for our delegates, members, ministers, healers, mediums, and friends of Spiritualism. As details continue to develop, information will be shared through NSAC publications and communications.

The summer season reminds us that Spiritualism continues to thrive through education, outreach, fellowship, and service. Whether through a conversation in the bookstore, the sharing of a brochure, attendance at a church or camp event, or participation in our upcoming Convention, each of us plays a role in spreading the message of Spiritualism and demonstrating its value in today's world.

I wish everyone a wonderful summer season and look forward to connecting with many of you throughout the year.

Reminders

July 10: Call for Candidates statements must be submitted to NSAC Nominating Committee.

July 31: State Associations: Auxiliary Delegate Credential forms to be postmarked to the State Association Secretary.

August 1: Most Department and Committee reports are due. Please check NSAC Procedure Manual for your committee or department reporting date.

August 31: All Annual reports must be postmarked and sent to the NSAC Secretary

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October 4-9: NSAC Annual Convention, Rochester NY at the Hyatt Regency Rochester, 125 E Main St.



Inspiration

Freedom of Spirit: Reflecting on Independence and Our Shared Journey

As we celebrate the Fourth of July, we gather with family, friends, and communities to commemorate the birth of the United States of America and the enduring principles upon which our nation was founded. This year holds special significance as our country approaches the **250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence in 2026**, marking two and a half centuries of hope, courage, perseverance, and progress.

The signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776 was more than a political act—it was a declaration of faith in the possibility of a better future. It reflected the belief that all people

possess inherent worth, dignity, and the right to pursue their highest potential. While our nation has faced many challenges throughout its history, the ideals of liberty, equality, and justice continue to inspire each new generation.

As Spiritualists, we recognize that freedom exists not only in the physical world but also in the realm of the spirit. Spiritualism teaches us that each soul is eternal, responsible for its own growth, and capable of seeking truth through personal experience. The freedom to think, to question, to learn, and to develop spiritually is among humanity's greatest gifts.

The Fourth of July offers an opportunity to reflect upon the freedoms we enjoy and the responsibilities that accompany them. Freedom calls us to respect the beliefs and journeys of others, to practice compassion, and to work toward greater understanding within our communities. It reminds us that true progress is achieved when we seek not only our own advancement but also the welfare of our fellow human beings.

As we look toward America's 250th anniversary, we can also reflect upon our own spiritual journeys. Just as nations grow and evolve, so do individuals. The lessons we learn, the challenges we overcome, and the wisdom we gain all contribute to the unfolding of our souls. Through communication with Spirit, healing, service, and fellowship, we continue to build a future rooted in love, understanding, and hope.

This Independence Day, may we honor those who came before us, appreciate the freedoms we enjoy today, and commit ourselves to creating a brighter tomorrow. May we remember that the greatest freedom is found in living according to the highest principles of truth, integrity, kindness, and spiritual awareness.

As fireworks illuminate the summer sky, may they remind us of the divine spark that exists within every soul, a light that can never be extinguished and a spirit that continues its journey beyond the boundaries of this earthly life.

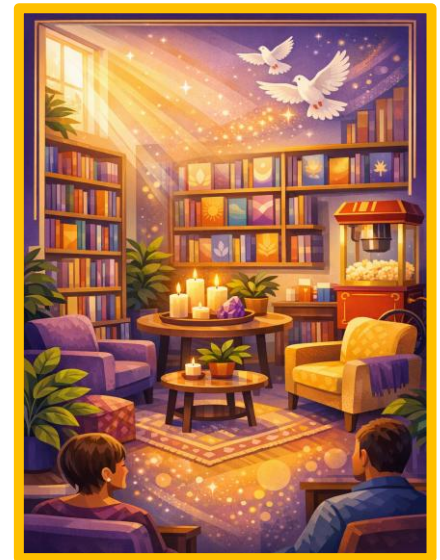
On behalf of the National Spiritualist Association of Churches, we wish you and your loved ones a joyful, safe, and meaningful Fourth of July celebration.

Happy Independence Day!

NSAC Bookstore News

The NSAC Bookstore is getting busy as Spring has begun, so the bookstore has longer hours, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10am-4pm. The NSAC Office will not be open on Saturdays. You can always email the bookstore with your order, and we will promptly get back to you.

You can also place an order by calling the NSAC Office (716-595-2000), or email us at: nsacbookstore@nsac.org



Congratulations

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

July:

Celebrate Life Spiritualist Community, CA
Temple Heights Spiritual Camp Association, ME
Golden Rule Spiritualist Church, MI
Northern Lake Michigan Spiritualist Camp, MI
Attunement Spiritualist Chapel, NY



Dates in Spiritualism

June 3, 1850: Event - Fox sisters' demonstration at Barnum Hotel, NYC. Arranged by Horace Greeley.

July 6, 1890: Event - National Federation of Spiritualists formed.

July 7, 1930: Transition - Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

July 10, 1933: Transition - Rev. E.W. Sprague. Author: *All the Spiritualism of the Christian Bible*.

July 17, 1874: Event - Sir William Crookes defends Florence Cook, famous materialization medium.

July 21, 1888: Birthday - Victoria Barnes (Author of numerous NSAC books)

July 24, 1964: Transition - Arthur Findley.



Sir Williams Crookes



Horace Greeley



Victoria Barnes

Digital Center News

Have you visited the NSAC Digital Center lately? Located on the main page of the NSAC website (nsac.org), the Digital Center is your online hub for expanding learning, inspiration, and connection within Spiritualism.

Through the Digital Center, members can access:

- The National Spiritualist (TNS) Magazine
- Live Zoom classes offered through NSAC
- NSAC digital books available for upload

Current NSAC Zoom Class Offering
NSAC is currently offering the Zoom Classes:

Foundation of Modern Spiritualism: This is a 4-week class held on Friday evenings, beginning April 1. This class will begin at 7pm EST. This class will be offered by Rev. Havivah Richards.

Natural Law: This is a 7-week class held on Wednesday evenings, beginning May 20, 7pm EST. This class will be offered by Rev. Lorraine Radice.

NSAC Spiritual Healing: this class will be held weekly for 3 weeks starting July 8. This class will be offered by Jeff Ganey, LM, CM, CH.

Registration for these classes is required and must be completed through the NSAC Digital Center.

The NSAC Digital Center continues to grow as a valuable resource for education, connection, and spiritual development. Be sure to visit regularly and take advantage of all it has to offer.

NSAC Convention 2026

The National Spiritualist Association of Churches (NSAC) warmly invites our members, clergy, delegates, and friends to mark their calendars for the 2026 NSAC Convention, to be held October 4-9, 2026, at the Hyatt Regency Rochester, located at 125 East Main Street, Rochester, New York.

THE LINK TO REGISTER FOR THE HOTEL AT THE DISCOUNTED RATE:

[2026 CONVENTION REGISTRATION](#)

If you would rather contact the hotel directly to book your room:

Phone: 585-546-1234

Please use Group Code: G-NSAC

Room rates this year are \$134/night for 1 or 2 people. Three people will be \$159/night, and four people will be \$184/night, + fees. This rate also includes free parking.

The 2026 NSAC Convention is heading to historical Rochester, New York. Stone's throw away from the birthplace of the Advent of Modern Spiritualism.



Convention Events:

This year, the NSAC Board will host a Town Hall Meeting via Zoom to review some of the annual reports prior to the 2026 NSAC Convention.

These are some of the events for the convention week:

- Sunday Morning Service hosted by The Plymouth Spiritualist Church, 29 Vick Park A, Rochester
- Sunday Reception & Registration
- NSAC Clubs will present the Monday Workshops:

Morning Session: Shannon Taggart

Afternoon Session Part 1: Rosemary Calderalo

Afternoon Session Part 2: JoAnn Santonocito, Ministerial Association: How do I know if I would make a good Ordained Minister?

- Monday night Reception to meet and greet with fellow Spiritualists. Also, the NSAC Awards will be handed out
- Business Meetings Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
- Wednesday Morning: Open to people to visit the local area
- Wednesday afternoon Memorial Service: This is a service to honor

all those we have lost in the past year

- Evening Church Services: Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
- NSAC will host a variety of classes during the Convention week

As the Convention Committee confirms information regarding events and classes, we will provide you with this information.



The 2026 Convention logo “**Where Spirit Flows, Love Grows**” visually embodies this message. The design is inspired by Rochester itself: the **gentle flowing wave** represents Spirit’s continuous movement while also reflecting the **Genesee River**, which runs through the city. A **golden light** above symbolizes illumination, guidance, and the presence of Spirit. To honor Rochester’s heritage as the **Flower City**, the logo incorporates **lilac blossoms**, a nod to the city’s world-famous **Lilac Festival**, while also symbolizing love, renewal, and growth. Together, the wave, radiant light, and lilacs create a harmonious emblem that unites Spiritualist values with the unique character of our host city.



Auxiliary News

A Wonderful Beginning to the 2026 Season at Lily Dale Assembly

Summer has officially arrived at Lily Dale Assembly, Inc., and with it came the excitement, energy, and inspiration that accompany the opening of another season in this historic Spiritualist community.

On June 19th, Lily Dale opened its gates for the 147th Summer Season, welcoming hundreds of visitors, residents, mediums, healers, students, and seekers from across the United States and around the world. From the earliest morning hours, guests streamed through the gates, eager to reconnect with friends, attend services and classes, and experience the unique spiritual atmosphere that has made Lily Dale a destination for nearly a century and a half.

Opening Day was highlighted by several cherished traditions, including the annual Flag Raising Ceremony and the annual Butterfly Release. As butterflies took flight into the summer sky, many reflected on Spiritualism’s teachings regarding transformation, hope, renewal, and the continuity of life. These events set a positive and inspiring tone for the season ahead.

Throughout the grounds, visitors enjoyed the vibrant energy that accompanies the beginning of each season. Historic buildings, shops, hotels, walking paths, healing services, lectures, workshops, and demonstrations of mediumship once again came alive as the community welcomed guests of all backgrounds and beliefs.

The Auxiliary extends its best wishes to the Lily Dale Assembly Board, staff, volunteers, mediums, healers, and businesses for a successful and rewarding summer season. We look forward to the many friendships renewed, lessons learned, and spiritual experiences that will be shared throughout the months ahead. May the 2026 season be filled with inspiration, growth, healing, and the joyful spirit that makes Lily Dale Assembly such a special place.

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, 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.

Jackie

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 at:
nsachealing@nsac.org

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Deadline: Items to be included in the current upcoming month must be submitted to the NSAC Secretary at nsacsecretary@nsac.org no later than the 15th of the month.

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.