



# NSAC News

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## Letter from the President

"Happy days are here again; the skies above are clear again. Let us sing a song of cheer again. Happy days are here again!"

These lyrics were written in 1929 toward the end of the Great Depression. Franklin D. Roosevelt used this as his campaign song in 1932. The past 18+ months of Covid-19 have affected us as badly as the Great Depression affected the United States and the world ninety years ago.

I think it is a great upbeat song as we prepare for our 2021 Convention in Seattle, WA especially since we are now coming out of seclusion, trying to find a sense of normalcy.

Your Board has been working hard to secure the best possible convention for our members. The Crowne Plaza is an excellent hotel, but as we have learned, Seattle is a very expensive location. I know there is "sticker shock" compared to the hotel room rates we enjoyed in Milwaukee for three years.

On Monday evening we will have our traditional banquet featuring a varied choice of entrees, including gluten free and vegetarian choices. The DJ music will start at 6 p.m. I will interrupt the dancing only to present the 2020 and 2021 NSAC awards, and most importantly, no speeches!

As you can imagine, this is an important convention. We have two years of business to accomplish. This convention will be a historic in that the decisions made by our delegates could change the way the NSAC has conducted business in the past. The presentation of the Long Range Planning Committee's findings will offer progressive options. As a delegate, you will elect two years of board positions. We will see a number of proposed by-law amendments. This is a big year for our delegates as they make important business decisions.

On a personal side, we will have the opportunity to see old friends and

share stories of our experiences from these past two years. It's also a time to welcome some new faces at the convention. We have all got a lot of catching up to do. See you soon!

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

## Certifications Issued

Certifications have been granted as follow, during the period from March 31 through July 1, 2020:

### Commissioned Spiritualist Healer:

Susan Bernard, West Allis, WI  
Michael Staples, Santa Barbara, CA

**Licentiate Minister:** Linda J.M. O'Connor, Old Greenwich, CT

**Ordained Minister:** Paula Mellino, Las Vegas, NV

Congratulations to those members for this achievement. They have continued their Spiritualist education and applied for and have been granted certification.

## Members Still Have Time to Declare: Call for Candidates

The document "Call for Candidates" for election to the NSAC Board of Trustees at this year's Annual Convention was included in the NSAC mailing to auxiliaries last month. It has been posted on the NSAC website ([www.nsac.org](http://www.nsac.org)) and can be found in the Members Pages under documents. The file entitled "Cand Call-Elec 20-21."

The terms expiring in October for 2020-2021 include President Christine Krithades, Interim Treasurer Stacy Kopchinski, Interim Trustees Betty Hutt, Jen Rosson, Havivah Richards and Trustee June Killmer.

If you have an interest in serving our organization by running for a board position, you should obtain a copy of the Call for Candidates from auxiliary secretaries, from the NSAC website documents page, or from the

Nominating Committee ([mcwestgate68@gmail.com](mailto:mcwestgate68@gmail.com)). Only statements in proper format and photos received by July 23 will be accepted.

The NSAC Nominating Committee will collect candidate statements and publish them in a Candidates for Election document several weeks prior to the Annual Convention. This will give members notice of candidates and their qualifications prior to the Convention.

## From the NSAC Treasurer

Two informational Zoom meetings are offered this month.

### Filing Your Annual Report Monday, July 12

8 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)  
7 Central, 5pm Pacific.

Join the NSAC Secretary and Treasurer on how to fill out your annual report. Bring your questions with you or you can email questions to the NSAC Headquarters. This meeting will be recorded and will be available to all NSAC Members, Camps, and Churches.

Register in advance for this meeting at: [https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8122222222/register/tZYpcOyhrj8rGNUUENjNbvVdDm8La6pl\\_7mt](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8122222222/register/tZYpcOyhrj8rGNUUENjNbvVdDm8La6pl_7mt)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

### Convention Costs Tuesday, July 13

8 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)  
7 Central, 5pm Pacific.

Learn important information with the ins and outs of our annual convention. The NSAC Treasurer will answer all the questions in what goes into a convention financially. We will talk about this year's convention and the finances of running an event such as this. If you have any questions that you would like answered, please plan on attending or email your questions to the National Headquarters with attention to the Treasurer.



organizational environment (Goal 10), attracting families and youth (Goal 11), leadership for the “*Truths of Spiritualism*” (Goal 12) and increasing involvement of our members (Goal 13).

Once again, we encourage all auxiliaries and delegates to be familiar with the Strategic Plan before coming to convention.

The Long-Range Planning Committee looks forward to talking with you and answering questions you may have regarding the Strategic Plan. We are also available to help with discussions in your church auxiliaries when considering the plan. We can be reached by email: [lrpccommittee@gmail.com](mailto:lrpccommittee@gmail.com).

We look forward to seeing you at convention!

With Appreciation,

Steven J. Vogel, Chair  
Rosemary Calderalo  
Charvonne Carlson  
Bonnie Darby  
Patricia Horne  
Jackie Reeves  
Alice Robertson  
Norma J. Turner

## 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.

Briana  
Elizabeth  
Erika  
Gina  
Janet  
Kimberly  
Lori  
Verna

### 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 need continues.

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

## Reminders

**July 23:** NSAC Trustee candidate statement deadline.

**August 1:** *Credential Renewal Application* due to church secretary from Ordained Ministers, and National Spiritualist Teachers.

**August 31:** *Annual Reports (Departments and Committees)* must be postmarked no later than 8/31.

**August 31:** *Convention Delegate Credential Forms* from each auxiliary due at NSAC. Check for earlier due date if member of state association.

**October 3-8:** NSAC Convention 2021, Seattle, WA <https://nsac.org/news-events>.

## Dates in Spiritualism

**July 2, 1892:** Transition—Catherine Fox Jencken.

**July 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 Conon Doyle.

**July 7, 1964:** Transition—Arthur Findley.

**July 8, 1934:** Transition—Dr. Walter F. Prince. Founder of Boston Society of Psychical Research.

**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, 1888-1961:** Birthday—Victoria Barnes, MD (Author: MPI Advanced Course).

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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](mailto:nsacsecretary@nsac.org) no later than three days prior to the first day of the upcoming month.

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