#### July 2023

# NEWSLETTER

Church of Peace, A Spiritualist Center, NSAC

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# A Message from the Director

Charvonne Carlson, NST, CM, CH

Hello All,

Can you believe we are already in July?

The year has been going by in a whirlwind of activities and happenings around the world. With the increased use of internet technology we are able to connect, take classes, learn and participate in various events around the Globe.

Also, there is an increase in activities for outdoors and in person gatherings. I hope all, whether from the comfort of your home or going out into the wide world, are participating in various ways to enrich, enhance and bring more joy into your daily life.

Here at Church of Peace, we have a good line up of activities happening. Please check dates and times as there have been some changes to the normal schedule due to the Summer months.

I hope all are safe, and enjoying the Summer months.

Sending Much Love and Joy to you ALL.

Many Blessings,

Charmonne

Charvonne Carlson, NST, CM ,CH Director, Church of Peace, A Spiritualist Center







Church of Peace is a Spiritualist Online Church, registered with the National Spiritualist Association of Churches,

We focus on the educational and spiritual development of Spiritualists through the foundation of Modern American Spiritualism.

"Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves" - Abraham Lincoln

# **Upcoming Events**

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# Online Development Circle

July 8th and July 22nd 6pm CST, 7pm EST, 4pm PST

Email: churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com

Sunday Morning Spiritual Service

Sunday Morning 9 am CST, 10am EST, 7am PST

Email: churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com or website to join

> Church of Peace, A Spiritualist Center churchofpeacespiritualistcenter.org

#### Check out and subscribe to Church of Peace YouTube Channel

for past lyceums, services and discussions at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCulMYzK67Bmv">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCulMYzK67Bmv</a> KS tEcqvUw/featured

# Lets Talk Spirit

Billet Reading Please bring a question written on a rolled up piece of paper.

July 27th

7pm CST, 8pm EST, 5pm PST Email: churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com Church of Peace, A Spiritualist Center

# **Membership Corner**

If interested in joining our church, please fill out a membership application below <u>General Membership Application</u> (for other memberships see website) Membership is \$30 a year Contact churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com

### Visiting Spirits of the American Revolution

By Angela Gunshore

During the American Revolution, there are a few accounts and stories that involve supernatural or paranormal elements, including ghosts, visions, and interactions with the dead. Note that these stories are often based on folklore and personal anecdotes, and their historical accuracy can be difficult to ascertain. Nonetheless, they offer interesting insights into the beliefs and experiences of people.

Here are a few examples of reported phenomena:



1. Nathan Hale, a young American spy captured and hanged by the British in 1776, is said to have appeared as a ghost to his friend Captain William Hull. According to the account, Hale's ghostly figure approached Hull and revealed information about his execution.

2. Visions of Joseph Warren: Joseph Warren, a prominent American patriot, and leader during the early stages of the Revolution, reportedly had visions that foreshadowed his death at the Battle of Bunker Hill. According to some accounts, he had premonitions and expressed his belief that he would not survive the battle.



Dr. Joseph Warren

3. The Vision of George Washington According to the legend, George Washington was said to have experienced a vision one evening while encamped at Valley Forge in the winter of 1777-1778. In the alleged vision, he saw an angel who showed him scenes from the future of America, including its eventual victory in the Revolutionary War, the establishment of the United States, and the nation's future prosperity. The most well-known version of the story comes from a written account by a man named Anthony Sherman, who claimed to have met Washington years later. However, Sherman's account was not published until 1859, long after Washington's death, and there are doubts about its accuracy. Historians generally approach this story with skepticism due to the lack of contemporary evidence and the late emergence of the accounts.

4. British General Fraser visits his wife in England on the day he died at the Battle of Saratoga in 1777. While he lay dying in America around 2 pm, he would utter his wife's name. Meanwhile, in England it was evening, and



ing in America around 2 pm, he would utter his wife's name. Meanwhile, in England it was evening, and Mrs. Fraser was entertaining guests when she yelled and made a wincing pain and told her guests to leave when her friends asked her why, she told them she saw her husband killed in battle during the dinner. Her vision was confirmed weeks later when a letter arrived announcing his death on the same day of her party.

5. General "Mad"Anthony Wayne, one of Washington's senior commanders died in Northwestern Pennsylvanian in the city of Erie after the revolution in 1796. His body was originally buried in Erie, but his family asked his body be exhumed and reburied in the Southeastern part of the state at the family's cemetery plot. With the inability to move his body that far in the 1790s, a choice was made to speed up decomposition and allow his bones to travel to Rad-

nor, PA. Many claims to have seen his apparition along the US Route 322 road.

- 6. Fort Mifflin, a British fort on Mud Island along the Delaware River, south of Philadelphia is home to the screaming lady. Colonists told a tale of Elizabeth Pratt who denounced her daughter after hearing the girl fell in love with a British Officer during the time of the revolution. The girl soon died of dysentery. Elizabeth consumed with guilt will take her own life and where she once lived near, the old British Fort, sometimes people have claimed to hear a woman shrieking.
- 7. A girl carrying a lantern and the regiment of soldiers at Jockey Hollow in New Jersey are a few spirits that show up for visitors. Reports discuss the cold winters during the Revolution and how many men perished from the conditions. People have claimed to hear foot soldiers, a drummer, and talking around the location of the hollow. One 1700s tale tells of a girl who carries a lantern and wears white that can be seen in the woods at night.
- 8. HMS Jersey is considered one of the most haunted ships of the 1700s. It was a British prison ship docked in the New York East River harbor during the war. Due to the cramped and unsanitary conditions, over 12,000 Patriot prisoners were killed in the prison. The ship was still active until 1902. Multiple cases of phenomena have been recorded.
- 9. Somerville, MA, British Lieutenant Richard Browne was killed by a patriot sentry in 1778. He was shot in the face, and his commanding officer asked for a church funeral in Cambridge, the citizens of the town rioted during the service preventing a peaceful procession. Years later, multiple reports tell of an apparition of faceless colonial soldiers lingering around the church and cemetery. Many claim it is the spirit of Browne haunting the areas.



General "Mad"Anthony Wayne

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10. The story of the headless horseman has its origins in the American Revolution. Georgetown, South Carolina, Patriot **General Francis Marion** (the Swamp Fox) learned that some of his men were being held prisoner at a plantation. His spy let him know that due to a party at a neighboring plantation, only one dragoon sentry would guard the prisoners. Marion while on horseback, quickly beheaded the sen-

try and buried him in an unmarked grave on the plantation. A few days later, a slave saw a headless man staggering around the plantation, dressed in a British Uniform. And every night after, this apparition appeared on this plantation. Soon horse hoof beats would be heard before seeing the headless man. The site of the man is gruesome and often terrifies those who see him. Later Washington Irving would tell the tale with some embellishment and call it The Legend of Sleepy Hollow.

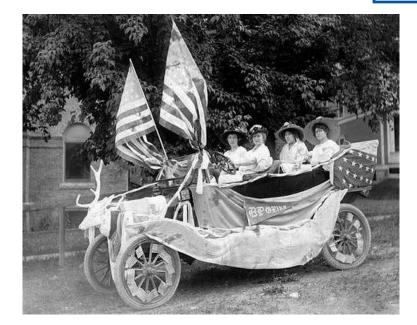
Fascinating how messages or visits from the Spirits conected to the American Revolution have turned into folktales or ghost stories. To learn more about these phenomena please read Harry Schenawolf's article Best Ghost Stories of the American Revolution at <a href="https://revolutionarywarjournal.com/best-ghost-stories-of-the-american-revolution/">https://revolutionarywarjournal.com/best-ghost-stories-of-the-american-revolution/</a>

Spiritualist Emma Lazarus and her famous 1883 poem "The New Colossus" was written to raise money for a pedestal for the Statue of Liberty. The poem is read by thousands of visitors since 1903, for it appears on a bronze plaque on the lower level of the pedestal.



Not like the brazen giant of Greek fame, With conquering limbs astride from land to land; Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates shall stand A mighty woman with a torch, whose flame Is the imprisoned lightning, and her name Mother of Exiles. From her beacon-hand Glows world-wide welcome; her mild eyes command The air-bridged harbor that twin cities frame.

"Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp!" cries she With silent lips. "**Give me your tired**, your poor, Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, The wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"



Church of Peace, A Spiritualist Center, NSAC

July 23, 2023 Sunday Service 9am CST, 10am EST, 7am PST Amy Majors

Guest Speaker and Medium



Amy Major is a Metaphysical Minister, Teacher, Published Author, Public Speaker, Healer, and Rescue Medium. Amy shares her gifts of intuition, mediumship and healing internationally through remote sessions via video or phone. Her main purpose is to provide hope and healing to all those in need. Amy's unique abilities in rescue mediumship, which provides healing to spirits in need of healing and transition has paved the way for advancement in the understanding of the spiritual world and our transcendental experience from physical to spiritual.

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## A delicious Fourth of July recipe

#### Dill Pickle Potato Salad

by Taste of Home https://www.tasteofhome.com/recipes/dill-pickle-potato-salad/

#### Ingredients

- 3 lbs of potatoes
- 6 hard-boiled eggs chopped
- 3 celery ribs chopped
- 6 green onions chopped

2 medium dill pickles, finely chopped

- 1 1/2 cups of mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup of dill pickle juice
- 4 1/2 tsp. mustard
- 1 tsp celery seed
- 1 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp pepper



**Step 1:** Place potatoes in a dutch oven or large kettle, cover and bring to a boil, reduce heat, cover and simmer for 20-30 minutes, drain and cool

**Step 2:** Peel and cube potatoes, place in large bowl, add eggs, celery, onions and pickles

**Step 3:** In a small bowl, combine mayonnaise, pickle juice, mustard, celery seed, salt and pepper until blended. Pour into large bowl and mix well

with potato mixture. Cover and refrigerate for 4 hours.

### NSAC Newsletter

To be informed on the latest activities, events and movements in the National Spiritualist Association of Churches, please read their newsletter at the link below **Newsletter** 

### **Healing Requests**

Church of Peace would like to remind members to send all healing requests to

#### churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com

by Tuesday each week.

Please use first names only.

During our Sunday service we will read the names aloud so our healers and members can send healing energy to those in need..

Remember the fourth Sunday of the month at 8 am CST is a healing service is offered by the Church of Peace.



#### Church of Peace, Spiritualist Center NSAC

July 27th, 7pm CST, 8pm EST, 5pm PST

Healing Circle

Please email the church if you want to add names to the healing list.

Third Thursday of the Month email: churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com To be added to the weekly emails.



### **Church of Peace: Psychical Research Sci-**

In following Spiritualism, Church of Peace started a Psychical Research Science Society. Our goal is to shed light on the current studies, scientific findings, technology and groups that have proven the existence of life after physical death. Starting in 2023, we will offer speakers throughout the year for a fee look for future events one our website page <u>https://www.churchofpeacespiritualistcenter.org/prss</u>

#### **Church of Peace Psychical Research Science Society Disclaimer**

The views and opinions expressed by Presenters do not necessarily reflect the views or positions of Church of Peace , PRSS or the NSAC.



# **Equal Spirits**

Equal Spirits focuses on equality among all living spirits. In the mission of Spiritualism, Church of Peace's goal is to create an equal and diverse community and presence in our global majority world. Our center focuses on topics each month that reflect our belief in celebrating the heritage and contributions of all people.

We are looking for articles, information on events or organizations and even news about topics related to diversity, equity and inclusion. If you are interested in contributing to our newsletter or website please message us at <u>churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com.</u>

# Deathly Ascensions Discussion

Deathly Ascensions Discussions Wednesday, July 5th 7 · 7 - 8 PM Google Meet joining info Video call link: https://meet.google.com/ucy-zijr-stz



Patrice Horton is a Integrative Healing Arts Practioner, Certified Hypnotist, and End of Life Doula. She is on the Pastoral Committee for the Church of Peace, A Spiritualist Center NSAC

Meets the First Wednesday of the Month Church of Peace, A Spiritualist Center NSAC

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July 9th, 2023 Sunday Service 9am CST, 10am EST, 7am PST Allison E Bell Speaker and Medium



Allison E Bell, JD is the Vice President and member of the Pastoral Committee for the Church of Peace, A Spiritualist Center NSAC

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# **Church of Peace's Children's Lyceum Corner**

# Book of the Month Children's books Clairvoyant Claire

By Jenny Scott and Billy Young



Twelve-year-old Olivia is psychic! In her latest vision, she sees a local theater star go missing right before her last performance. Olivia and her friend Sebastian warn the community on their blog Clairvoyant Claire. The public finally believes Clairvoyant Claire when the actor is found.

Aligned to Common Core Standards and correlated to state standards. Spellbound is an imprint of Magic Wagon, a division of ABDO.

Check out a new organization that supports children with developing intuitive abilities and helps parents understand their child's unique gifts

# Highly Intuitive Kids



https://www.highlyintuitivekids.com/

#### **Riddle me this:**

Question: What was the most popular dance in 1776?

(see answer at the bottom of the page)

# Book of the Month Teen Books Platinum Diaries Book 1 : Psychic Dreams

by K. August Rose

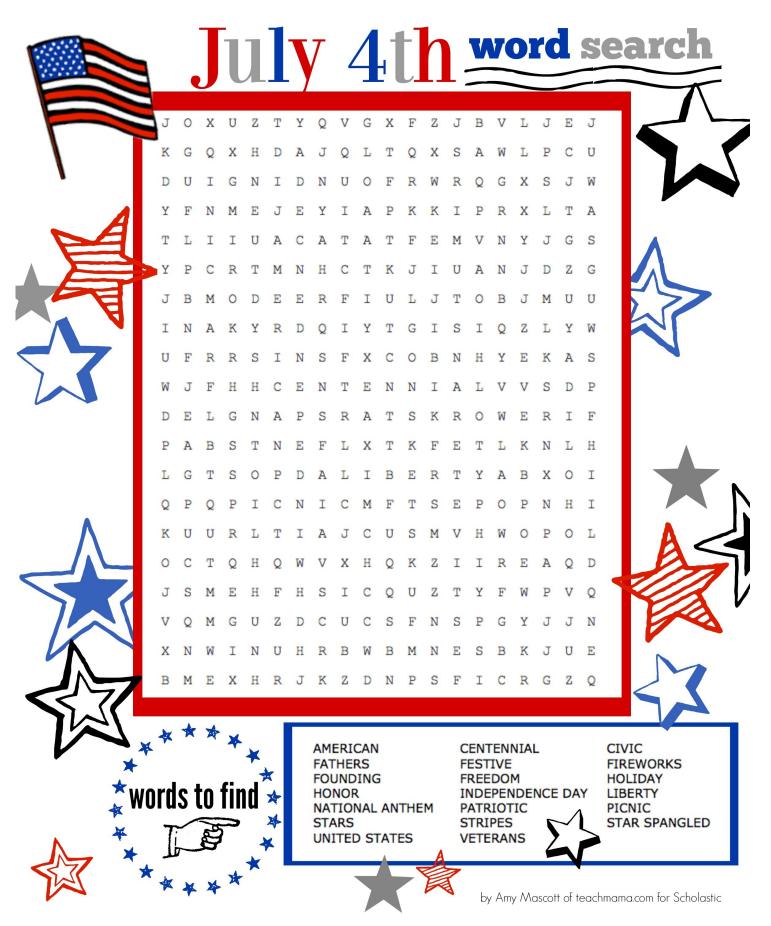


What if your dreams always come true? For sixteen-year-old Sayra Price, she's never had to worry about how her silly gift works. Catching glimpses of answers to tomorrow's pop quiz or who will get busted during their steamy make-out sessions was fun. Exciting even. But Sayra's latest dream features a gruesome murder. Now, desperate to control her gift and save a man from certain death, Sayra enlists the help of her best friends, root-working grandma, and even the boy she hates. But time is running out and Sayra keeps sticking her nose where it doesn't belong. Will her psychic ability be enough to save her from the danger she's stumbling toward, or will Sayra's meddling make matters far worse than she could have ever envisioned?



#### Riddle answer: The indepen-dance

### **Church of Peace's Children's Lyceum Corner**



### **Declarations of Principles**

- 1. We believe in Infinite Intelligence.
- 2. We believe that the phenomena of Nature, both physical and spiritual, are the expression of Infinite Intelligence.
- 3. We affirm that a correct understanding of such expression and living in accordance therewith, constitute true religion.
- 4. We affirm that the existence and personal identity of the individual continue after the change called death.
- 5. We affirm that communication with the so-called dead is a fact, scientifically proven by the phenomena of Spiritualism.
- 6. We believe that the highest morality is contained in the Golden Rule: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."
- 7. We affirm the moral responsibility of individuals and that we make our own happiness or unhappiness as we obey or disobey Nature's physical and spiritual laws.
- 8. We affirm that the doorway to reformation is never closed against any soul here or hereafter.
- 9. We affirm that the precepts of Prophecy and Healing are Divine attributes proven through Mediumship.



### Healing prayer

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. Amen

