Charles Arnold Tarbell assumed the leadership of the Piscataqua Pioneers at the July 23, 2016 annual meeting. He became a Life Member of the Piscataqua Pioneers in 1996. His great-aunt, Edith Widden Badger Fagan, sparked his interest in the Piscataqua Pioneers. Using genealogical research shared by his cousin, Carol Seybolt Cole, Charles joined under their ancestor William Seavey. He may have as many as 52 other qualifying ancestors including 7 settlers of his hometown of New Castle.

Charles was born at the Portsmouth Hospital and grew up in New Castle. He attended local schools, graduated from the Holderness School, and holds a BS in Business Administration. He is married to the artist, Dustan Knight and they have two daughters. Frances attends the University of King’s College in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada and Caroline attends the University of Alabama. They attend church in Rye.

Charles owns Tarbell Management, a limited real estate management company that manages apartment communities along the New Hampshire seacoast.

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Charles’ public service includes six years on the Board of Selectman, service on the Historic District Commission and liaison to the Library Trustees, the Conservation Commission, and the Fire Wards. He served ten years on the local fire and rescue service as a career level firefighter and intermediate level emergency medical technician.

While pursuing his great interest in history and genealogy, Charles is active in many organizations. He is the President of the Society of the Cincinnati in the State of New Hampshire and serves as an ambassador at the American Independence Museum in Exeter, N.H. Charles followed in the footsteps of his grandfather, Edward Walker Marshall, and served as the Governor of the Society of Colonial Wars in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. He also serves as a trustee and budget committee member of the Walley Museum in Portsmouth, N.H. Always politically active as a hobby, he has served as Chairman of the town Republican committee and on various campaigns including his own. He is the former treasurer of the New Castle Congregational Church, member of the Portsmouth Athenaeum, and former governor and building renovation committee chairman of the York Harbor Reading Room.

Other related memberships include the Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, the John Stark Society of the Sons of the Revolution (Daniel Arnold was a minuteman at the Lexington Alarm), founding member of the Society of Colonial Wars in the British Isles, leader of the Micum McIntire Clan Association, St. Andrew’s Lodge, Wm. Pitt Tavern Lodge, St. John’s Lodge #1, Portsmouth Historical Society, Isles of Shoals Historic and Research Association, and the Woodman Institute.

Charles enjoys ice dancing with Dusty, raising the girls, yacht racing on other people’s boats, cruising Down East, supporting the arts, and walking Lily the dog.

**Annual Meeting—July 23, 2016**

President Tylene Jousse called the 112th annual meeting of the Piscataqua Pioneers to order at 10:05 AM, Saturday, July 23, 2016 at the St. John’s Episcopal Church, Thaxter Hall, 100 Chapel Street, Portsmouth, NH.

Approximately 45 members and guests were in attendance. A quorum of more than 25 were present as defined in the Bylaws.

All stood while the invocation was given by Chaplain Marilyn Pratt-Holmquist. While still standing, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by First Vice President, Charles Tarbell.

The present council and current officers-at-large were introduced by our president who also acknowledged all the past presidents who were in attendance.

First Vice President, Charles Tarbell, read the Mission Statement of the Piscataqua Pioneers.

Carla Mueller read the Objects of the Society.

**OFFICERS’ REPORTS:**

**Secretary:** The Secretary’s report by acting Secretary Robert Dennett was moved, seconded and voted to accept as previously published in the June 2016 newsletter. A motion was made by Barbara Alex to accept the minutes. The motion was then seconded by Kitty Chadbourne and was unanimously approved.

**Treasurer:** The Treasurer’s report was submitted by Treasurer Ed Bachelder for period ending June 30, 2016. Ed stated that the society is in good financial shape and that we have no liabilities. The Treasurer’s Report was then placed on file for audit.

**Auditor:** The Auditor’s report was read by Robert Dennett. Both the Treasurer’s report and Auditor’s report were accepted after a motion by Kitty Chadbourne to accept them. The motion was then seconded by Barbara Boyle and unanimously approved by the membership.

**Registrar:** No report was submitted at this time.

**Database Manager:** Sue Engle submitted her database report. Notably, there are 1793 records in our database which include 419 active members of which 358 are Life members and 61 Annual members. There were 3 new members added since the July of 2015.

**Curator:** Due to the passing of our curator Bill Drew, no report was submitted.

**Chaplain:** Marilyn Pratt-Holmquist offered a prayer and memorialized our deceased members by the reading of their names.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Piscataqua Pioneers Book and Register Sales**

Ed Bachelder noted that we have 10 cases of Piscataqua Pioneer books remaining since they first went on sale at the New England Research Genealogical Conference (NERGC). Book sales according to Ed have totaled $441.00. A discussion was then heard regarding the donation of some of the books to various colleges, libraries and historical societies. A motion regarding the donations was moved and seconded. The motion was unanimously approved. This motion was then amended in order to have one person in charge of disbursing the books. A motion to amend the previous motion was made by Kitty Chadbourne and seconded by Ken Pitman and was unanimously approved.
approved. Tylene Jousse was appointed the person in charge of distributing the books.

**Archive Committee:**
Committee Chairperson, Tylene Jousse, read Barbara Alex’s report on microfilming and loading member applications onto the LDS website. A discussion was initiated by Bill Walker in regards to personal security concerns and whether it is wise to move forward with the project. Bill submitted into the minutes a folder containing all the correspondence that he has had with the archive committee concerning this subject.

**New England Research Genealogical Conference (NERGC)**
It was noted that the NERGC will be held on April 26-29, 2017 at the MassMutual Convention Center in Springfield, Massachusetts. The theme will be using the Tools of Today & Tomorrow to Understand the Past. Because at the last conference, we had difficulty manning our booth, a proposal was made to limit our participation to one day on Thursday, April 27 from 5 – 7:15 PM. After a discussion, a motion was made by Carla Mueller to keep our booth open for all three days, Thursday – Saturday, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The motion was seconded by Barbara Alex and was unanimously approved. Several members volunteered to man the booth following the vote. Barbara Alex will be the contact person.

**Unfinished Business:**
President Tylene Jousse announced that the deposit box in Bill Frost’s name that he held for the Piscataqua Pioneers has been closed. Tylene went on to thank Bill for all the good work that he has done for the society. The contents of the box have been turned over to Tylene and Treasurer Ed Bachelder for safekeeping until a new box is acquired prior to August 31, 2016. A list of the contents of the box was given.

**New Business:**
A volunteer is sought to replace the retiring Bill Frost from the Sales Table at our Annual meetings. No one has come forward as yet.

Tylen announced a new committee charged with the following:

- To review and assess our privacy issues with regards to our applications, website, UNH holdings and database,
- To review and assess legal restrictions concerning the above,
- To review and assess data availability issues,
- To review and assess our current website ability, use and expansion of the site,
- To seek advice from knowledgeable professionals if necessary, as well as others, with an understanding of our database, applications and or holdings,
- And present recommendations to the Council at the May, 2017 Council meeting.

Committee members are: Charles Tarbell, Chairman; Edward Bachelder, Treasurer; Susan Engle, Database Manager; Barbara Alex, Past President; Tylene Jousse, outgoing President.

**Announcements:**
Tylen thanked Carla Mueller for handling the registrations for this event.

With the passing of Bill Drew, it was noted that there would be an upcoming “Celebration of Life Party” to be held at the New Castle Common on August 28, 2016.

Council meeting dates for October and May are: Sunday, October 16, 2016 and May 21, 2017 both at 1:30 PM at the New Castle Congregational Church. Charles Tarbell volunteered to arrange these dates for our Council meetings. A tour of the Warner House will take place following the meeting.

**Genealogy Sharing:**
Tylen Jousse shared about her ancestor William Hays and how many of her ancestral lines have been proven right by DNA.

Kitty Chadbourne told a story of her family and how to write a family story.

Fred Boyle talked on the value of putting your family tree on Ancestry.com.

**Church Tour:**
Members with their friends and family went on a tour of St. John’s Church. Carrie Ann Carleton was our tour guide and answered many of our questions.

**Lunch:**
Members broke for lunch at noon. Our Chaplain Marilyn Pratt-Holmquist led us in Grace.

**Speaker:**
After having returned from lunch, at 1:00 PM Sandra Rux, Chairperson of the Warner House Association Board of Directors, gave a presentation on the three-hundred-year old Warner House in Portsmouth, NH.

**Election of Officers:**
Tylen read the Bylaws for Election of Officers. The slate of nominees was read by Charles Tarbell. The nominated officers were as follows:

President: Charles Tarbell
1st Vice President: Carla Mueller
2nd Vice President: Ed Bachelder
3rd Vice President: Betsey Cox-Buteau
4th Vice President: (vacant)
5th Vice President: Patricia Twombly-Karakashian
Secretary: Ray Gervais
Treasurer: Ed Bachelder
Registrar: (vacant)
Curator: (vacant)  
Database Manager: Susan Engle  
Chaplin: Fred Boyle  
Auditor: Robert Dennett  
Officers at-Large: Tylene Jousse, Earlene Chadbourne, Halcyon Springer, Ellen Dennett  

A voice vote was taken and affirmed and a motion was made by Tylene Jousse to instruct the Secretary, Ray Gervais, as he did, to cast one ballot for the slate as presented. Tylene introduce our new President Charles Tarbell and presented him the “President’s Badge of Honor” and the gavel for one year.

All stood while our new Chaplin, Fred Boyle, gave the Benediction.

New President, Charles Tarbell, called the meeting to a close.

Raymond Gervais, Secretary

Council Meeting Reports—October 16, 2016  
President, Charles Tarbell called the October 16, 2016 Council meeting of the Piscataqua Pioneers to order at 1:30 pm at the New Castle Congregational Church on 65 Main Street, New Castle, NH. There were 7 council members in attendance and a quorum was established.

The invocation was given by Chaplain Fred Boyle.

While standing, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Charles Tarbell.

Ray Gervais passed around an attendance sheet and a list of officers for information verification.

Chaplain’s Report: There was no Chaplain’s Report submitted at this time. Charles Tarbell stated that he had attended the memorial service for our late curator Bill Drew.

Secretary’s Report: Copies of the minutes of the July 23, 2016 annual meeting, which were earlier e-mailed to all Council members, were also passed out to those in attendance. A motion was made to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded and accepted.

Treasurer’s Report: The Treasurer’s report was submitted by Ed Bachelder for period ending October 15, 2016. Ed was not in attendance. The report was read by Charles Tarbell. A motion was made to accept the report. The motion was seconded and accepted.

Auditor’s Report: There was no report submitted.

Registrar’s Report: New registrar Wendy Blood was not able to attend the meeting. The report was distributed to council members by email. The ten new Piscataqua Pioneer members listed on the report were voted in.

A motion was made to withdraw several applications for inactivity. The motion was seconded and accepted.

A motion was made to accept the entire Registrar’s Report. The motion was seconded and accepted.

Curator’s Report: A Curator’s Report was not submitted at this time. Our new Curator, Barbara Alex, did speak about her trip to Salt Lake City regarding our applications being digitized with LDS (Latter Day Saints). A privacy question was brought to the Council’s attention in which Barbara Alex and the Archive Report addressed this subject. A motion was made to authorize the Curator to deal with the applications and proceed as she and her committee deems fit. The motion was seconded and accepted.

Database Manager’s Report: Our Database Manager, Susan Engle, reported by email that there are currently 1793 members in our database. This consists of 415 active members of which 353 are life members, 61 are annual members and 1 supplemental member. The report was not read. There was not a motion to accept.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Archive Committee: The Archive Committee Report by Tylene Jousse was discussed by the Curator, Barbara Alex.

Past Presidents Project Committee: The Past Presidents Project Report was submitted by Committee Chairperson, Tylene Jousse. There was no motion made to accept it.

New England Research Genealogical Conference (NERGC): The Piscataqua Pioneers will be manning an informational booth at The New England Research Genealogical Conference (NERGC) at the MassMutual Convention Center in Springfield, Massachusetts. The event will take place Thursday, April 27 thru Saturday, April 29, 2017. The theme will be “Using the Tools of Today & Tomorrow to Understand the Past”. Barbara Alex
emphasized the need for volunteers to work at the booth. There are members who have volunteered but there is a need for more. If any member is interested in volunteering, please contact her at Barbara.alex@att.net and put NERGC 2017 on the subject line, or call her at 860-748-1879.

**NEW BUSINESS:** A motion was made to donate $50.00 to the New Castle Congregational Church for allowing us to conduct our meeting in their meeting hall. The motion was seconded and accepted.

There was a short discussion regarding the date and location of the next Annual Meeting. A number of dates and places were suggested. Charlie Tarbell will look into them.

**CLOSING:** The President thanked everyone for attending and reminded the Council Members that the next Council meeting will be held on Sunday, May 21, 2017 at the New Castle Congregational Church, 65 Main St., New Castle, NH, at 1:30 PM.

The closing benediction was given by Fred Boyle and the meeting was gavelled and closed at 3:00 pm.

*Raymond D. Gervais, Secretary*

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**Database Manager’s Report—October 16, 2016**

There are currently 1793 member records in our database. This consists of 415 active members, of which 353 are Life members, 61 are Annual members, and there is 1 Supplemental member. There are 9 members with dual addresses and 12 members have selected to receive their newsletter via email. There are also 13 pending records on file for potential members in the process of proving their lineage to an original Piscataqua Pioneer. The remaining records consist of 1210 deceased and 169 inactive members.

As a result of the June newsletter returns, 5 members are unable to be located. If anyone knows how to find any of these members, please contact the database manager.

DOROTHY DAVIS, 353 Blackstone Blvd., Providence RI 02906-4936
ANNE HUCKINS, Magoon Road, New Hampton NH 03256
NANCY POOLE, 29 Barons Court, Simsbury, CT 06070
JANE RITTER, PMB 127, 10400 W Overland Road, Boise ID 83709-1433
GLENN WALLACE, PO Box 35, Clarence MO 63437-0035

Ten updates were made to the database since July 23, 2016. These include 3 changes of addresses, 2 new members, 4 updates for deceased members, 1 change of status from active to inactive (due to newsletter returned 4 times in a row and not able to find this person).

The 2 new members include:
DR. BETSY COX-BUTEAU, #1856, Life member Ancestor John Hayes/Mary Horne
ROBERT LABELLE, #1855, Life member Ancestor William Chadbourne/Elizabeth Sparry

The 3 changes of addresses include:
ROBERT DENNETT, #1659, 192 Winnacunnet Road, Hampton, NH 03842
CDR ARMISTEAD DENNETT, #1333, 220 State Road Apt 132, Kittery, ME 03904
MARGARET MERA, #1776, 220 Spaulding Lake Place, Sandy Springs, GA 30350

The 4 deceased members:
DAVID BROWN #1754, deceased 8/5/2016
DONALD COX #1753, deceased 3/4/2015
MARA MARSHALL #895, deceased 3/10/2015
JOSEPHINE FRENCH #1556, deceased 10/17/2009

The member whose status was updated to “inactive” is:
ROBERT GOODING #1261

I continue to add telephone numbers and email addresses, when they become available, to the database. New applications request this information. If you are a current member with an email address please send it to the Database Manager at database@piscataquapioneers.org. If you move or have an address change, please notify us using the same email address or you can call the Database Manager at 603-778-6171.

*Sue Engle, Database Manager*

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**Registrar’s Report—October 12, 2016**

As this is my first report as Registrar, I hope I have supplied all the necessary information. There are a lot of names and information as the last report submitted was dated July 26, 2014. Please let me know of any omission or errors.

New members admitted since July 26, 2014: in the interest of space, I have only listed their name and ancestor as their address has already been entered on a previous report.

We have one applicant that has had DNA testing done. There needs to be a discussion and decision made from the council whether or not we will accept DNA testing as a form of proof of lineage.
This officer moves that the following applicants be accepted into membership upon verification of their application papers. All applicants have submitted a preliminary application and paid the initial $30.00 application fee, unless noted.
There have been: 28 Preliminary applications sent; 25 Worksheet applications sent; 7 worksheets returned; 8 Final applications approved with 2 Final applications awaiting signatures and/or dues.

Wendy Blood, Registrar

Treasurer’s Report—October 1, 2016

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Edward Bachelder, Treasurer

NERGC —October 16, 2016

This will be the third year that Piscataqua Pioneers will be participating in the New England Regional Genealogical Conference (NERGC) which will be held in Springfield, Massachusetts from Wed. April 26 - Sat. Apr. 29, 2017 at the MassMutual Center (www.massmutualcenter.com). Pre-conference activities will be held on Wed. Apr. 26th.

We can set up our Piscataqua Pioneer booth in the Exhibit Hall on either Wednesday from 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM, or on Thursday from 7:00 AM onward.

The Exhibit Hall will be open to conference attendees and the public from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM on Thursday and Friday; and from 9:00 AM - 3:15 PM on Saturday. Move out is 3:15- 8:00 PM on Saturday. Vehicles will be able to pull into the loading area at the rear of the Exhibit Hall, and unload/load directly.

We need to promote the recognition of our society, sell books and our 2015 register, and attract more members.

I am looking for more volunteers to man our Piscataqua Pioneer booth. Please contact me at barbara.alex@att.net and put NERGC 2017 in the subject line, or call me at 860 748-1879.

Barbara J. Alex, Curator
Remembering Bill Drew

Bill Pappou Drew, our long-time Curator, passed away at his home in New Castle, NH June 23, 2016. Born in Los Angles he graduated from Norwich Academy in 1958 and received a Master’s Degree from MIT in 1962. That same year he became a First Lieutenant in the U. S. Army and went on to serve as a Captain in the Corps of Engineers. In 1969 he founded his own company, Automation Systems, Inc., supplying industrial robotic systems to major companies throughout the United States for more than three decades.

Throughout his life he had an avid interest in genealogy and history. He served as President of Piscataqua Pioneers and followed up as Curator, helping to establish the PP Historical Library housed at the University of New Hampshire as part of the Diamond Collection. He also started Mill Pond Graphics where his ability as a photographer grew. (Look back at our PP Newsletters and notice how many of our pictures were taken by Bill’s camera. We are only realizing now that we have lost our pre-eminent photographer and chronicler of so many of our events!) With his wife Linda he made his some in Nashua, NH for many years returning to his “summer cottage” in New Castle for his retirement years. One of the stalwart and active members of Piscataqua Pioneers he will be remembered for his great devotion to our society.

Fred Boyle, Chaplain