



PISCATAQUA PIONEERS

Post Office Box 1511, Portsmouth NH 03802

www.piscataquapioneers.org

This is an educational, genealogical, historical and patriotic society, whose membership consists of descendants of the original settlers on each side of the Piscataqua River and its tributaries, prior to the Declaration of Independence.

Newsletter December 2015

Officers 2015-2016

President

Tylene Jousse

Tylenej@comcast.net

Vice Presidents

1st Charles Tarbell

2nd Carla Mueller

3rd Edward L. Bachelder

Secretary

Raymond D. Gervais

Treasurer

Edward L. Bachelder

Registrar

Moira Smith

Curator

William G. Drew

Database Manager

Susan Engle

Chaplain

Marilyn Pratt-Holmquist

Auditor

Robert Dennett

Immediate Past President

Edward L. Bachelder

Officers-at-Large

Barbara J. Alex

Frederick R. Boyle

Earlene A. Chadbourne

Alan R. Moulton

Halcyon Springer

Charles Tarbell

Message from President Tylene Jousse



Edward Bachelder passes gavel to incoming President Tylene Jousse

As your newly elected President, I hope to honor our ancestors in many ways. I have chosen a theme for my term of office. "Keep Moving Forward." These words mean a lot to me and remind me every day to do just that — "Keep Moving Forward." During my term of office, it is my plan to keep our organization moving in a forward motion in many ways. Whether it be with our web site, the collection at UNH Special Collections, or gaining new members to name a few.

President's Action Plan

1. Went into effect right away by welcoming the new officers you have chosen for me to work with and giving each of them a copy of their job descriptions in the By-Laws. This way we each have a greater understanding of our jobs.
2. To assist us to continue our leap forward into the technical fields of research. In the past we have used books as our means of research. This method is still used today, but with the addition of the Internet our methodology has changed. It is important for us to do the same. Change is tough for us all.
3. To reinstitute a yearly Budget, keeping an ever mind on the bottom line and keeping us "Moving Forward." (We have asked our new Treasurer to present us a Budget for 2016/2017 with some line items the Council felt important to add.)

Action Plan continued next page

President's Action Plan continued:

4. Moving us forward with the Past President's Project has begun already. (Past
5. President's Committee has been formed and will report to us at the May Council Meeting.) Is moving us forward with the Past President's Project. Which has begun already. (Past President's Committee has been formed and they will report to us at the May Council Meeting.)
6. From Object #8. (below) "To cooperate with other organizations with similar interests so that we may be mutually helpful in these matters." How can we do this? One way is to ask other Family Associations and area historical societies to join us at our Annual Meeting, a win-win situation for us all. This topic was brought up at the last Council meeting in May. A list has started and "Keep Moving Forward" on this would gain new members and educate the community about our organization. (A letter is being formed to extend an invitation to our upcoming Annual Meeting July 23, 2016, to be sent out prior to December 1, 2015.)

All of these plans take teamwork by caring members such as yourselves. We each joined this society for similar reasons. Honoring our ancestors!

Our Founding members drew up a Mission Statement and Objects for our Society. Our goal as a Council will be to follow these objects.

Objects of the Society

The objects for which this Society is established are primarily for securing and preserving the records of the pioneers of the Piscataqua area in Maine and New Hampshire and of their descendants in the following particulars:

1. To be an historical society as well as a genealogical and biographical association.
2. To propose, as an organization, regular visits to historical points of interest.
3. To promote the acquaintance and good fellowship of its members generally in these matters.
4. To learn the names of the earliest European settlers on both sides of the Piscataqua River within the limits of the Piscataqua Plan or Piscataqua Settlements and contiguous territory from the earliest times to July 1776.
5. To learn the contributions of these settlers to the advancement of civilization including its industry, literature and arts
6. To trace the settlers and their descendants.
7. To provide for the assembling and publication of such information as may be secured to the end that those generations who come after us shall not be ignorant of those who first dealt with the wilderness and who established homes in the New World.
8. To cooperate with other organizations with similar interests so that we may be mutually helpful in these matters.

When I proposed my action plan to your Council at our October meeting all were in favor. They also are very excited about so many prospects for your involvement in our Society even though you live away.

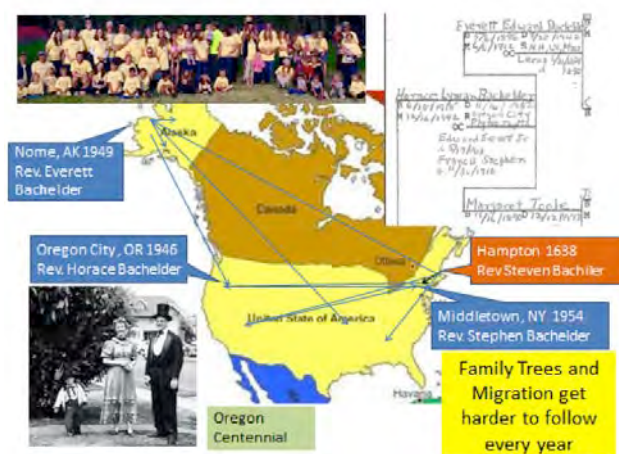
My plans are aggressive and ambitious. My term is only for one year; aren't you glad! Please help our Society to "Keep Moving Forward" and growing. A sincere thank you for the work you have done and or about to do for our society.

Tylene Jousse, President

Annual Meeting Program 2015

With a resurging attendance, over seventy Piscataqua Pioneers and guests filled the Masonic Hall on July 25th for a series of stimulating sessions and speakers. An exciting part of the day was distributing copies of the new 2015 Register that Barbara Alex, Tylene Jousse, Alan Moulton, Susan Engle, Ellen Dennett and others had worked tirelessly to update and publish this spring.

The President shared some pictures of a Bachelder family reunion in Delta Junction, Alaska that he attended earlier that week with over 60 family members.



He presented a simple diagram of his preceding generation's migrations back and forth across the USA to start a discussion about advances in genealogy research that had been featured at the NERGC. Barbara Alex gave a terrific impromptu talk about the use of DNA mapping to complement traditional techniques and gave insights into how it has progressed from an early National Geographic database to the extensive ancestry.com database. Fred Boyle, Bill Walker, and other attendees provided their assessments and experience with a variety of databases and tools that are available online.

After the DNA database and tools discussions, President Bachelder showcased the new Register. As attendees signed in and received their copy of the new Registry that had been included with the luncheon ticket, we asked them to indicate their ancestor's name. Using that listing of names attendees formed groups (using page 126, Principal Ancestor), took pictures, visited, and prepared to share thoughts with the rest of us about (1) their favorite ancestor and/or story and (2) what that ancestor would say if they were to join us in Hampton that day?

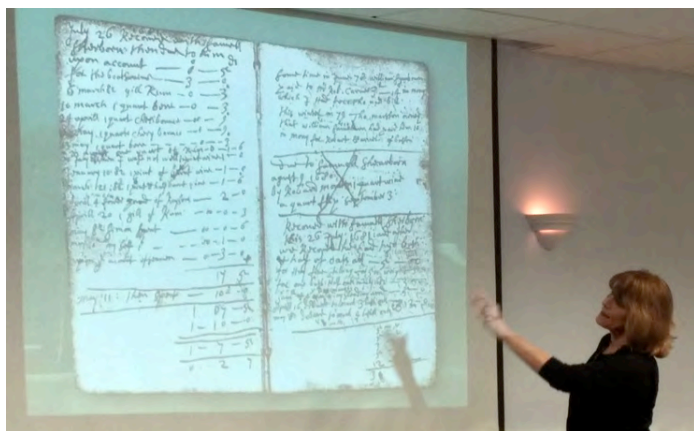
Eleven family groups had a nice time catching up with each other and talking about their relatives.

Family	#	Family	#
Nutter	2	Nute	4
Odiorne	5	Goodwin	4
Shapleigh	3	Palmer	1
Thomas	3	Tibetts	2
Dennett	7	Fernald	4
Bachiler	9	"Onesies"	12

Fred Boyle has done considerable research for the books he has written and kindly explained to me that we are "all cousins"—a great point which makes the annual meetings more meaningful.

After the small group discussion, we went around the room table by table and had each group share a favorite story about one of their ancestors. It was enlightening and enjoyable to hear about some of our cousins' adventures ranging from surviving shipwrecks, Pioneers killed in battles up in Maine, finding remote riverside gravesites, and learning that a group Piscataqua area settlers had moved to Piscataway, New Jersey.

The most common theme that people thought their ancestors would say to their Piscataqua Pioneer descendants would be to "carry on" and keep their stories and history alive. We are fortunate that Tylene Jousse, our new President, has energy and ideas about how we can do just that this year.



Author Cheryl Lassiter

After a nice lunch catered by Kandi's Katerers, we listened to our featured speaker, Cheryl Lassiter. She gave a fast-paced presentation about the Tavern Keepers of the Public Houses and shared her insights into the lives of our ancestors based on her research of colonial era public records and well-crafted storytelling. Cheryl's fascinating book, "A Meet and Suitable Person" provides a lens to view life in Old Hampton New Hampshire from 1638 -1783. I found the book to be both enjoyable and educational.

Edward Bachelder, Immediate Past President

Annual Business Meeting

President Edward Bachelder called the 111th annual meeting of the Piscataqua Pioneers to order at 10:30 AM, Saturday, July 26, 2015 at the St. James Masonic Hall in Hampton, NH. All stood while the invocation was given by Chaplain Marilyn Pratt-Holmquist. The Pledge of Allegiance followed, led by our Registrar, Tylene Jousse.

The present council was introduced by our president who also acknowledged all of the past presidents who were in attendance. The president also presented the day's agenda.

The following reports were submitted:

Secretary: The report by Bill Hooper was moved, seconded and voted to accept as previously published in the newsletter and on-line.

Treasurer: The report was read by Margaret Dennett and accepted. Copies were available.

Auditor: The report was read by Robert Dennett. Both the Treasurer's report and Auditor's report were accepted after motion and second.

Registrar: The report was read by Tylene Jousse. After the new members in attendance were recognized with pins and certificates the report was read, moved, seconded, and accepted. The new incoming Registrar, Moira Smith, was introduced, as well as our new Database Manager Susan Engle.

Curator: The report was read by Bill Drew. It was moved, seconded, and approved.

Chaplin: Marilyn Pratt-Holmquist offered a prayer and memorialized our deceased members by reading their names, Piscataqua Pioneer numbers, and the dates that they became deceased. Special acknowledgement was given to our past Chaplin, Barbara Muir, who passed on this past year.

Ed Bachelder spoke about his family tree.

A new activity was added to the agenda called "Genealogical Hour." Members with common early ancestors were asked to briefly speak about the ancestors who they joined the society under. Barbara Alex spearheaded our society's presence at the New England Research Genealogical Conference (NERCG). She spoke about our experience there and recognized the Pioneer members who worked at our booth. Barbara also talked about the DNA testing class that she attended there. This opened a dialogue on the significance and accuracy of the testing. She also mentioned that the new "Register of Members and Ancestors" was completed in time for the conference.

Committee reports were submitted orally. There was no unfinished business to discuss. There was no new business. After the luncheon break, we heard a presentation by author and historian Cheryl Lassiter on the changing ownerships of a historical tavern in Puritan Hampton, NH.

President Ed Bachelder formed a committee to review eight Special Collections boxes and report back to the Council at the October 18th meeting to discuss their findings.

The committee consists of the following members: Tylene Jousse (new President); Moira Smith (new Registrar); Virginia Spiller (past President); Barbara Alex (past President)

The charge of duties for this committee is as follows:

1. Sort materials at Special Collections
2. Consolidate materials
3. Discard materials no longer necessary
4. Find out the cost of digitized material
5. Find out the cost of yearly maintenance of our records
6. Report to the National Council at the October 18, 2015 meeting with their findings, recommendations and how much money is needed for items 4 and 5.

Nominations of incoming officers were read by the Nominations Committee Chairman, Fred Boyle. Those assembled approved and accepted the nominations.



(L to R) Robert Dennett; Moira Smith; Marilyn Pratt-Holmquist; Tylene Jousse; Edward Bachelder; Raymond Gervais; and William Drew

The meeting concluded with Chaplain Marilyn Pratt-Holmquist swearing in the incoming officers:

President	Tylene Jousse
1 st Vice President	Charles Tarbell
2 nd Vice President	Carla Mueller
3 rd Vice President	Edward Bachelder
Secretary	Raymond Gervais
Treasurer	Edward Bachelder
Registrar	Moira Smith
Curator	William Drew
Auditor	Robert Dennett
Chaplin	Marilyn Pratt-Holmquist
Database Manager	Susan Engle

Officers-at-Large:

Barbara Alex	Frederick Boyle
Earlene Chadbourne	Alan Moulton
Halcyon Springer	Charles Tarbell

Raymond Gervais, Secretary

Council Meeting Reports October 18, 2015

President, Tylene Jousse called the October 18, 2015 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 8 council members in attendance and a quorum was established.

All stood while the invocation was given by Acting Chaplain Kitty Chadbourne. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Susan Engle. Carla Mueller read the Piscataqua Pioneer mission statement. Virginia Spiller read the Piscataqua Pioneer "Objects of the Society."

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

Tylene addressed the Council proposing an aggressive agenda for the coming year and thanked the Council for putting our faith in her. The theme of her address was "Keep Moving Forward." Her term of office began by each Council member receiving a copy of the Bylaws to help each understand their job. She asked that we now focus on developing more technical means of research. She emphasized the reinstitution of a yearly budget and our cooperation with other genealogy organizations.

Tylene announced that the next **annual meeting** will be held **on July 23, 2016 at St. John's Church, Thaxton Hall Chapel Street, Portsmouth, NH.** This includes a tour of the church and the nearby Warner House which is celebrating its 300th anniversary. We are still working out the admission fees.

Chaplain's Report

The Chaplain's Report was read by Ray Gervais. The report was moved, seconded and accepted.

Secretary's Report

Copies of the minutes of the July 26, 2015 annual meeting, that were earlier e-mailed to all Council members, were 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, 2015. Ed stated that we had about 250 Piscataqua Pioneer books left since they went on sale at the New England Research Genealogical Conference (NERGC).

A motion was made to donate \$50.00 to the New Castle Congregational Church in appreciation for the Council using their meeting hall. The motion was seconded and accepted.

Another motion was made allowing the Treasurer to pay \$75.00 for the New Hampshire registration and filing fees due in November. The motion was seconded and accepted.

The Treasurer's Report was referred to the Auditor for review.

Registrar's Report

No report was submitted at this time.

Curator's Report

The report was read by our Curator, Bill Drew. A motion was made to accept the report. The motion was seconded and accepted.

Database Manager

The report was read by our Database Manager, Susan Engle. A motion was made to accept the report. The motion was seconded and accepted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Archive Committee

Committee member Tylene Jousse reported that they were able to reduce eight (8) boxes of materials from Special Collections without compromising our objectives. Repeated materials and reproduced pages were eliminated. They were able to purge to one (1) box of valuable material. Barbara Alex sent a report, "Status Report on Copying Members Application", to the committee on digitizing materials with the LDS. There would be no cost for the project except for postage and copying files. During a discussion there was some concern over securing personal information. A motion was made to accept the Archive Committee's report. The motion was seconded and accepted.

Newsletter Committee

Tylene requested that all officers' reports be sent to her by October 26, 2015.

Nominating Committee

Four members were appointed to the Nominating Committee by President Tylene Jousse. They are: Charles Tarbell, Chairman, Fred Boyle, Ed Bachelder and Barbara Alex. The committee will report their nomination of officers at the May 14, 2016 Council meeting.

Past Presidents Project Committee

The Past Presidents Project Committee was formed to continue the work of Sarah Dennett and her father Army Dennett. To date, there are about 30 profiles completed. Appointed members are: Tylene Jousse, chairman, Virginia Spiller, Carla Mueller and Kitty Chadbourne.

Past President Pin Presentation

This past year's President, Ed Bachelder, was presented with a Past President pin for his excellent year of service.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Piscataqua Pioneers will be inviting other family associations to our annual meeting in July. Kitty Chadbourne will compile a list of these associations in order to send out invitations. The letters are scheduled to go out by the end of 2015.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A proposal was made by Tylene to add a line item to our annual budget to obtain a subscription to Ancestry.com for our Registrar to assist her in her duties. Estimated cost would be greater than \$100.00. Tylene also proposed that the Piscataqua Pioneers obtain a membership to the New England Historical Society for any officer to use in their duties. Estimated cost would be perhaps \$79 or \$89.

A motion was made to accept these proposals (1 and 2). The motion was seconded and passed.

1. A proposal was made by Tylene for books to be purchased by the Piscataqua Pioneers to present to area libraries. The suggested annual amount was \$150 annually. The proposal was tabled for this year.
2. Tylene also requested that a line item in the budget be added to support financially our files on any outside storage facility such as UNH. An estimated amount was not determined.

A motion was made to accept proposal 4. The motion was seconded and passed.

The President thanked everyone at the meeting for their patience in getting this lengthy agenda completed and reminded the Council to "Keep Moving Forward." She announced that the **next Council meeting will take place on May 14, 2016 also at the New Castle Congregational Church, New Castle, NH at 1:30 pm.**

The closing benediction was given by the acting Chaplain Kitty Chadbourne. The meeting was gavelled and closed at 3:25 pm.

Raymond D. Gervais, Secretary



Janet Jackson Memorial Flag

Report—October 23, 2015

CHECKING ACCOUNT-CITIZENS BANK-JULY 1, 2015	\$ 4,355.50
RECEIPTS	
Dues	\$ 440.00
Life Membership	\$ 300.00
Initial Fees	\$ 155.00
Sale of Pins, Note Cards, Certificates	\$ 73.05
PP Book II Sales	\$ 260.00
Mugs	\$ -
Registers	\$ 424.00
Sale of CD's	\$ 40.00
2015 Annual Luncheon	\$ 2,051.00
Donations/Net Postage	\$ 8.13
Bank Interest	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 3,751.18
TRANSFER FROM BANK CD	\$ -
TOTAL RECEIPTS, BEGINNING BALANCE AND TRANSFER	\$ 8,106.68
EXPENSE	
Postage and Supplies	\$ 278.85
2015 Annual Luncheon	\$ 1,489.00
Book Storage Expense	\$ -
Registrar's Fees	\$ 120.00
Meeting Place Donation	
Newsletter Expense	\$ -
Website	\$ 67.16
Bank Service Charges	\$ 12.00
New Hampshire Registration and Filing	
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 2,017.01
CHECKING ACCOUNT-Oct 23, 2015	\$ 6,089.67
ASSETS as of Oct 23, 2015	
<u>CITIZENS BANK – CHECKING ACCOUNT</u>	6,089.67
<u>CITIZENS BANK-CD (7-7-15)</u>	20,481.47
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 26,571.14
Change in Cash Position from July 1, 2015	\$ 1,734.17

Edward Bachelder, Treasurer

Registrar's Report— July 25, 2015

New members Admitted since 26 July 2014

Natl. #	Name	Ancestor
1689.2	TARBELL, Charles A. Walton Road P.O. Box 207, New Castle, NH 03854-0207	Henry Sherburne
1842	BAYLES, Deborah A. 13 Apple Ridge Road Unit #3, Maynard, MA 01754-2709	Joseph Smith
1843	HALL, Anne Jones 110 Mt. Tabor Ave., Danby, VT 05739-0239	Samuel Langdon
1844	HORTON, Philip Zell III 2842 Misty Creek Cove, Germantown, TN 38138	John Sanborn

1845	BACHELDER, Hannah Louis 8567 Greenbelt Road Apt 102, Greenbelt, MD 20770	Rev. Stephen Bachiler
1846	VERITY, Arlene Rita Quimby 502 Indian Head St., Hanson, MA 02341	Robert Quimby
1847	WRIGHT, Dorothy Lavina 12 Briar Circle, Green Brook, NJ 08812	Philemon Dalton
1848	SURETTE, Eileen Dorothy Jewell 84 John Mooney Road, Revere, MA 02151-5939	Renald Fernald
1849	SCHMIDT, Dorothy Jean Dennett 5 Jason Drive, Stratham, NH 03885	John Dennett
1850	HILTON, Richard Butler 150 River Hill Drive, Bermuda Run, NC 27006	Edward Hilton
1851	HUNNEWELL, Sumner Gary 2030 San Pedro Drive, Arnold, MO 63010	Sylvester Stover
1852	CHESLEY, Jolene 4932 Pelican Boulevard, Cape Coral, FL 33914-6525	Philip Chesley I
1853	KARAKAHIAN, Patricia Ellen Twombly 62 Belmont Avenue, Lynn, MA 01905	Thomas Hanson

I move the following be accepted into membership upon approval of applications.

CLARK, Stephen C. Abraham Clark
1500 Worcester Road Apt 303, Framingham, MA 01702

WHITNEY, Richard Merrill Jr. Benjamin Whitney
5 Russell Road, Duxbury, MA 02332

There have been 2 Preliminary Applications sent, 12 Worksheet Applications sent, 12 Final Applications approved, 1 Supplemental Application approved. There are 13 Outstanding Worksheets.

Tylene A. Jousse, Registrar

Note: We have a newly elected registrar, Moira Smith. Welcome, Moira! Contact her at the following email address: moira910@piscataquapioneers.org

Database Managers Report—October 18, 2015

There are currently 1787 member records in our database. This consists of 422 active members, of which 363 are Life members, 59 are Annual members. There are 9 members with dual addresses and 9 members have selected to receive their newsletter via email. There are also 9 pending records on file for potential members in the process of proving their lineage to an original Piscataqua Pioneer. The remaining records consist of 1199 deceased and 167 inactive members.

Fourteen updates were made to the database since July 20, 2015. These include 3 changes of addresses, 3 new members, 3 updates for deceased members, 3 change of status from active to inactive (due to 3 consecutive years of non-payment of dues) and 2 new pending records.

The 3 new members include:

PATTY CHESLEY #1852 (Life,) Ancestor: Phillip Chesley
PATRICIA KARKAKASHIAN #1853 (Annual), Ancestor:
Thomas Hanson
RUSSELL COX #1854 (Life), Ancestor: John Hayes

The 3 changes of addresses include:

JUDITH GAIERO #1618,
4 Limestone Way, North Hampton, NH 03862

MRS. MILDRED RICE #1743,
257 Canco Road #106, Portland, ME 04103

PAULA WOODWARD, #1826,
155 Lower Beech Hill Road, Campton, NH 03223

The 3 deceased members:

MR. DONALD RICE #1735, deceased 2/11/2015
MABEL ELLIOTT #1731, deceased 11/23/2014
ANN HALLGREN #1695, deceased 11/11/2009

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

Curator's Report—October 18, 2015

The re-cataloging effort at the **Lamson Library** is complete. Most of the books are in the Genealogy Reference section of the Library (they may not be signed out or taken from the library) and are available to the public whenever the Library Books deemed rare, one of kind or fragile are kept in Special Collections as part of the New Hampshire collection. These books are available during the hours that Special Collections is open. There are extra copies of the bookplate which can be attached when new books are added to the collection. There have been no new books or collections submitted for inclusion into the Piscataqua Pioneer Collection.

The membership paperwork had been combined, re-folded and refilled in alphabetical order. There are several boxes of materials that remain unprocessed. The unprocessed boxes contain miscellaneous member produced information concerning towns and families, meeting notes and general correspondence.

During this last year there have been more requests to view the papers by the public. New requests will be forwarded to Tylene. She will then advise as to how the matter is to be handled.

The microfilm is with the collection in Box 34. These are the application papers of many decades that were microfilmed prior to suspending this process around 1990.

The link to the Finding Aid for the Collection:

<http://www.library.unh.edu/special/index.php/piscataqua-pioneers>

The Inventory LIST of the collection, by section, is HERE:

<http://tinyurl.com/pl3p28l>

William G. Drew, Curator

Publications Order Form

Piscataqua Pioneers Selected Biographies of Early Settlers in Northern New England (563 pages)

_____ Members	25. _____
_____ Non-members	40. _____
_____ S&H for each book	6. _____

New 2015 Edition of Piscataqua Pioneers 1623-1775 Register of Members and Ancestors

_____ Members	12. _____
_____ Non-members	15. _____
_____ Pioneer Lapel Pins	30. _____
_____ Pioneer Note Cards (10 pk)	4.15 _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Your Name

Mailing Address

City, State, Zip

Please mail order form with your check payable to:
Piscataqua Pioneers
c/o Ed Bachelder
80 Warwick Road
Melrose, MA 02176

Next **Council meeting** is **May 14, 2016** at the New Castle Congregational Church, New Castle, NH at 1:30 pm.

Next **Annual Meeting** is **July 23, 2016** at **St. John's Church, Thaxton Hall, Chapel Street, Portsmouth, NH.**

If you are a current member with an email address, please send it to database@piscataquapioneers.org. If you move or have an address change, please notify us using the same email address or you call the Database Manager at 603-778-6171.

We invite you to read this newsletter online at:

www.piscataquapioneers.org/pdf/PPNewsDec2015.pdf