



The Steere Family Newsletter

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We wanted to inform you about this year's reunion plans as many of you are planning your summer vacations. This committee has been putting together a fun filled weekend including enlightening history experiences for you and your family to enjoy. Join us August 3rd -5th, 2018. Below are some of the highlights!

Friday August 3rd

9 AM Peach Baking for the Saturday contest-

Enjoy a morning at the George Steere Sr. Farm house. You may create your favorite Peach Dessert for competition entry on Saturday's event- contact Amey at sunshinea22@aol.com to sign up

6PM Dinner at the Chepachet Freewill Baptist Church

7PM Journey Back in Time Special Guest Speaker: John McNiff, Park Ranger

John manages the Roger Williams Memorial. He is one of the country's leading experts on Roger Williams and on 17th Century Providence. He will make a presentation on life in this area during the 1660s through the 1680s. These are the decades when John Steere and Hannah Wickenden lived there alongside Roger Williams and later moved to what is now Smithfield (then still part of Providence) after his death.

8PM Where have the Steere's Gone this Year?

Assorted speakers sharing their traveling experience for the past year.

Saturday, Aug 4th

8:30 AM Set-up at Pulaski State Park (Volunteers needed, lots to do!)

10:00 AM Day of Family Fun at Pulaski State Park starts!

10:30 AM Kids games and a presentation of "The Story of the Steere Wives and Daughters" presented by Clifford Brown

11:30 AM Genealogy Workshop

12:30 PM Group Pictures

12:45 PM Family Tug of War

1:00 PM BBQ Lunch at the Pavilion Annual Meeting

2:00 PM Peach Bake Off Contest

2:30 Make your own Sundaes!

RESERVATION FORM

August 3 - 5, 2018

NAME _____ Family Branch Number (if known) _____

ADDRESS _____ Email _____

1. Friday Night Dinner Provided by Tavern on Main at Chepachet Freewill Baptist Church

Buffet style Adults _____ @ \$25.00 _____
Children 6 to 12 _____ @ \$15.00 _____

Baked Haddock, Roast Sirloin, Parmesan Encrusted Chicken along with many sides

2. Saturday Morning Presentation at Pulaski Park

No charge, we'd just like a count _____

3. Saturday Meal

Menu - Cold Sandwiches & Cookout Style Foods & Dessert

Number over 12 years old _____ @ \$15.00 _____
Number between 6 and 12 yrs old _____ @ \$10.00 _____
Number under 6 years old _____ FREE _____

4. Sunday - Chepachet Free Will Baptist Church, Route 44 Chepachet
No lunch - just coffee hour afterward

5. Group picture on Saturday (taken around 12:30 PM)
Number of 8 x 10 photos _____ @ \$10.00 _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED FOR REUNION _____

YES, I'd like to contribute to the genealogy project. Enclosed is: _____

PLEASE MAIL RESERVATION FORM WITH CHECK

(Made out to STEERE FAMILY ASSOCIATION) by July 27, 2018 to: Mrs. Lois Dexter
144 Grant Drive
North Kingston, RI 02852

Books available for purchase:

You may order separately or with the reunion to: Mrs. Lois Dexter
144 Grant Drive
North Kingston, RI 02852
1890 Root's Steere Genealogy _____ @ \$30.00 _____
John Steere Family Branches - Genealogy _____ @ \$50.00 _____
John Steere Family Album - Picture Book _____ @ \$30.00 _____
Our Heritage Cook Book _____ @ \$10.00 _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED FOR BOOKS _____

**Please make all checks payable to STEERE FAMILY ASSOCIATION
RSVP DEADLINE: JULY 27, 2018**

Reunion Schedule 2018

Friday, Aug 3	10:00AM	Peach Baking at the George Steer Sr. Farm
	6:00 PM	Dinner at the Chepachet Freewill Baptist Church
	7:00PM	Special Speaker John McNiff, Park Ranger
	8:00PM	Where have Steere's Gone This Year...short travel stories
Saturday, Aug 4	10:00AM	Day of Family Fun at Pulaski State Park
	10:30 AM	Kids Games and Contest
	10:30AM	Steere Family Women the Story of the Wives and Daughters Presented by Clifford Brown
	11:30 AM	Genealogy Workshop
	12:30PM	Group Picture
	12:45PM	Family Tug of War
	1:00 PM	BBQ Lunch at the Pavilion Annual Meeting
	2:00 PM	Peach Bake Off Contest
2:30PM	Make your own Sundaes	

There will be plenty of time during the day for swimming, fishing, hiking/exploring and relaxing with family

Sunday, Aug 5	10:00 AM	Worship Service at Chepachet Freewill Baptist Church Coffee Hour afterwards
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Directions to Pulaski State Park

151 Pulaski Road

Chepachet, RI 02814

Phone in case you need help: 602-502-5678

From Providence area: Take Route 44 West from Providence through Greenville Center into Chepachet. In Chepachet bear left onto Route 44 at the light onto Putnam Pike/US-44 W/RI-102. Continue to follow Putnam Pike/US-44 W for about 6.5 mile. Turn right onto Pulaski Rd (Portions unpaved). Pulaski Road is about 0.3 miles past Richardson Clearing Trail; if you reach Nauner Way you have one a little too far.

Directions to the Freewill Baptist Church,

1213 Putnam Pike (Rt. 44), Chepachet, RI

From Providence are: Take Route 44 West from Providence through Greenville Center into Chepachet. In Chepachet as you go around the curve at the Acotes Hill Cemetery continue straight through the center of town to the next stop light. Bear left on Rt 44 at the stop light. The church is just ahead on the right.

Where to Stay

1. White Rock Motel, Putnam Pike, Chepachet, R.I. 401 568-4219
2. Comfort Suites, 1010 Douglas Pike, Rt 7 Near Bryant College (North of Rt 116) 401 231-6300
3. Quality Inn, 355 Washington Hwy (Route 116), Smithfield, R.I. 401 232-2400
4. Courtyard Marriott, 636 George Washington Hwy, Lincoln, R.I. 401 333-3400
5. Hampton Inn, 965 Douglas Pike, Smithfield, R.I. 401 232-9200
6. Stay Local search Airbnb.com