

Southern New England Chapter – Society for Industrial Archeology

Tour of

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Wednesday, April 15, 2015 @ 9 AM
743 Reynolds Road, Chepachet, RI



Cost is Free but space is LIMITED to 10 people.

This event will fill up quickly.

To register, please contact: Marc Belanger @ (508) 837-5669 or mnbelanger@comcast.net

A pre-tour informational packet with directions will be emailed to each attendee prior to the tour.

The tour ends around 1 PM.

For more info, visit:

<http://www.fmglobal.com/page.aspx?id=04010100>

After lunch, Erin Timms will lead us on visit to the nearby

Chepachet Village Middle Privilege Archaeological Site

This short walking tour will highlight the history of the site that developed in the late 18th century with a tannery and blacksmith shop. In the early 19th century, the mill privilege integrated a gristmill, distillery, sawmill, and cotton mill. The smaller mills were replaced with a larger brick and stone mill complex that operated a cotton mill under the name, F. R . White Co. Additions to the complex include worsteds production. In 1880, Fenner White died, leaving the mill complex to his brother, Henry C. White. In 1895, White employed Henry Merritt to redesign the mill, adding several large additions, that accommodated over 400 workers. In 1897, the mill complex burned. The tour will be of the ruins of the former mill complex and tenement housing.