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Sagamore Hill National Historic Site Oyster Bay, New York



## **Roosevelt Home Rehabilitation**



Sagamore Hill after completion of the North Room in 1905

The National Park Service (NPS) recently awarded a \$7.2 million contract to E & A Restoration, Inc. of Syosset, New York for the restoration and rehabilitation of Sagamore Hill, the home of Theodore Roosevelt. The rehabilitation of Sagamore Hill is being contracted and managed by the Denver Service Center of the NPS the central planning, design, and construction office for the 397 units of the national park system.

Areas to remain open to the public during construction include the visitor center and store; the Theodore Roosevelt Museum at Old Orchard; historic outbuildings and grounds, along with the nature trail which leads to the national wildlife refuge on Cold Spring Harbor. Public programs and special events will continue at the park including nature and grounds walks as well as the popular Junior Ranger programs for children.

Several new programs include talks on the park as a working farm, illustrated programs, self-guided cellular



phone tours, and an 18 minute narrated video tour of the Roosevelt home which takes visitors room by room through the house.

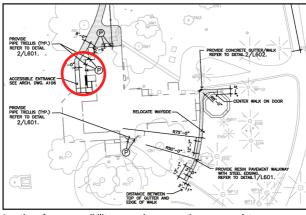
The rehabilitation includes work to interior elements such as woodwork, flooring, and lighting, as well as to mechanical systems including electrical, heating and ventilation, fire suppression and security. Exterior work includes installation of a new roof, gutter and drainage system, waterproofing of the foundation, and rehabilitation of historic windows, doors, siding, and porches to historic preservation standards.

The home's original rear porch and its sky lit central light well, both of which were altered or removed in past work on the home, will be restored. In addition, an accessible ramp along with a walkway from the visitor center will be installed.

Other aspects of this project include rehabilitation of the adjacent ice house, upgrade of the park's fire hydrants, electrical service, and the installation of stand-by generators and upgrades to the park's outdoor security lighting.

About E & A Restoration, Inc.: The Company was incorporated in 2000 and has provided design and construction management services on a vast array of projects in the metropolitan New York Area. Their experience includes building rehabilitation, historic renovations, and new building construction including schools, office buildings, transit depots, and shopping centers, places of worship, parks, and museums.

For up to date information on the project visit: www.nps.gov/sahi or for information on the rehabilitation project visit: http://parkplanning.nps.gov



Location of new accessibility ramp when renovations are complete.

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