



GLEN COVE MANSION

## *News Release*

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### **Classic and Historic North Shore Estate, Glen Cove Mansion**

#### **Introduces new Nature's Serenity Weekend Package**

*Fifty Five-Acre Gilded Age Estate Now an Award-winning Hotel*

**Glen Cove, New York**, June 30, 2008 ... The historic North Shore estate, Glen Cove Mansion, has introduced a new weekend package designed to bring serenity into every guest's life. The elegant and classic Gold Coast Georgian-style mansion has been a serene escape for nearly a century -- first as the country residence of John & Ruth Pratt of Standard Oil renown and now as a first-class hotel. The Mansion has created the new **Nature's Serenity Weekend Package** to showcase Long Island's storied North Shore as the perfect respite from 21<sup>st</sup> Century demands.

The new Nature's Serenity Weekend Package offers what the North Shore has meant to travelers for over 100 years – a place to escape to while leaving none of life's luxuries behind.

Included in the package is a visit to President Theodore Roosevelt's beloved country estate, **Sagamore Hill** [www.nps.gov/sahi](http://www.nps.gov/sahi), now a National Historic site. Located in nearby Oyster Bay, Sagamore Hill was Teddy Roosevelt residence from 1885 until his passing in 1919. During his two-term Presidency, the mansion was known affectionately as his "Summer White House," and it includes all of the Roosevelt's original furnishings as well as much of this robust family's charm.

Also included in Glen Cove Mansion's Nature's Serenity package is a visit to **Old Westbury Gardens** [www.oldwestburygardens.org](http://www.oldwestburygardens.org), one of the best surviving examples of the North Shore's famous mansions and listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Old Westbury Gardens, located in Old Westbury, New York, is the former home of John and Margarita Phipps, who were affiliated with Andrew Carnegie. Completed in 1906 by the English designer George A. Crawley, the magnificent Charles II-style mansion crowns a 160-acre estate with formal gardens, woodlands and lakes. Westbury House retains its original furnishings, including exquisite English antiques and decorative arts. The recent HBO movie featuring the life of heiress and socialite Doris Duke, *Bernard & Doris*, was filmed almost entirely in the mansion and on the estate, which has served as an elegant backdrop for many films, including *The Age of Innocence* based on Edith Wharton's classic novel of Old New York.

Additionally, the Nature's Serenity package includes a visit to the breathtaking beauty of the **Bailey Arboretum** [www.baileyarboretum.org](http://www.baileyarboretum.org), located in Lattingtown, New York. The Bailey Arboretum is situated on an early 19<sup>th</sup> Century estate that was magnificently expanded in the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century by self-made businessman and Gold Coast resident, Frank Bailey. A self-taught horticulturalist, Bailey was particularly interested in nurturing exotics on Long Island, including Living Dawn Redwoods, which were discovered in China in 1941 after having been believed to be extinct. After World War II, seedlings were distributed to several leading botanic gardens, including those at The Bailey Arboretum, where they thrive today, measuring larger in circumference than any others globally.

Before the North Shore was the Gold Coast, it was the home to Native Americans and nature's bounty, which is a legacy cherished and celebrated at Glen Cove's remarkably pristine nature habitat, **Garvies Point Museum and Preserve** [www.garviespointmuseum.com](http://www.garviespointmuseum.com). The Preserve was formerly the estate of Thomas Garvie, a prominent early 19<sup>th</sup> Century physician and businessman who emigrated from Scotland, and whose descendants maintained the natural integrity of the property over the next 200 years. The Garvies Point Museum and Preserve is affiliated with the North Shore Audubon Society and is a nature's serenity experience unlike any other.

### **Glen Cove Mansion's Nature's Serenity Weekend Package Includes**

- Two nights of luxury guestroom accommodations for two at historic Glen Cove Mansion Hotel
- Breakfast for two each morning in the Mansion's sun-filled Garden Room Restaurant
- Admission for two to:

Sagamore Hill Grounds & Mansion Museum, a National Historic Site  
Old Westbury Gardens Westbury House Mansion, Magnificent Gardens & Estate

Bailey Arboretum and Estate  
Garvies Point Museum and Nature Preserve

**ALSO Included**

- \$50 voucher for use in The Garden Room Restaurant at Glen Cove Mansion, or in Pub 1910 on the Mansion's third floor, featuring sweeping views of Long Island Sound
- \$50 voucher for use at Page One Restaurant [www.pageonerestaurant.com](http://www.pageonerestaurant.com), Glen Cove's popular fine dining restaurant
- Morgan Park Summer Music Festival Concert Series – current schedule of events at [www.morganparkmusic.org](http://www.morganparkmusic.org)
- Use of Glen Cove Mansion's classic original outdoor pool and pavilion, installed by the Pratt family, as well as the hotel's modern indoor pool and fitness facilities
- 55 acres of gardens, manicured lawns, tennis courts, croquet greens, and more

**For more information on Glen Cove Mansion's Nature's Serenity Weekend Package or for reservations, please call 516-671-6400 or visit [www.glencovemansion.com](http://www.glencovemansion.com) .**

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The award-winning Glen Cove Mansion Hotel and Conference Center is situated on 55 secluded and landscaped acres on Long Island's historic Gold Coast, 30 minutes from New York City, JFK International and LaGuardia Airports. The spacious Georgian-style mansion features stunning vistas of Long Island Sound and was once part of a prestigious collection of gracious country estates, later becoming one of the nation's first dedicated conference center hotels. Today the elegant property features 187 richly appointed guestrooms, including four suites, the Garden Room Restaurant with magnificent views of the terraces, the large and comfortable Pub 1910, private dining rooms ideal for social and corporate occasions, as well as vast outdoor reception areas overlooking the mansion's Gilded Age gardens. The property offers 25,000 square feet of event and meeting space, with 27 dedicated conference rooms accommodating from 10 to 280 guests, advanced meeting technology, an executive business center and conference concierge services. Wireless Internet access is available throughout. Also provided are complete fitness and recreational facilities, including a sauna, steam and massage rooms, indoor swimming pool and whirlpool, garden swimming pool, racquetball courts, bowling alley, lighted tennis courts, jogging trail and a sports field. Golf is available nearby. Ideal for executive retreats, corporate meetings and social gathering, the Glen Cove Mansion Hotel and Conference Center is masterfully designed to integrate gracious accommodations, superb cuisine and attentive service with contemporary comforts and the latest technology. For more information on the Glen Cove Mansion Hotel and Conference Center, visit [www.glencovemansion.com](http://www.glencovemansion.com).

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