



CHATHAM HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Chatham, Massachusetts 02633



Town of Chatham
Historic Business District Commission



2015 Chatham Preservation Awards



177 Main Street
Owner: Bryan and Nancy Ruez

It is not known exactly when 177 Main Street was built, but it is listed in an 1870 assessors listing of the Town of Chatham. When the present owners bought it, the house needed a new foundation. The contractor took great pains to preserve the historic facade of the original house which is elevated about six feet above street level.

At the same time, it was necessary to provide modern living space for the owner's family. To achieve this, an addition that is not visible from the street was built in the rear with dormers which offered much needed living space.

The most dramatic change to 177 Main Street was to recreate the original front porch and steps. Views of Chatham Harbor and the Atlantic Ocean are plentiful from that reconstructed front porch. 177 Main Street is a gracious blend of the old and the new which will work for the owner's family.

Architect: Karen Kempton

Contractor: Rick Roy Construction, LLC, Harwich

Landscaping: Executive Landscaping, Hyannis