



THE ST. PAUL'S SENTINEL

Honoring and preserving our community's heritage

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ST. PAUL'S ... IN THE NEWS

Today, News12 Vice President of Editorial Services Peter Kohler's editorial, titled, "Use It Or Lose It," highlights efforts to save Long Island landmarks. Top on his commentary was our own St. Paul's School. If you missed it, we bring it to you now...

Use It or Lose It

Use it. Or lose it. That's the dilemma frustrating efforts to save Long Island landmarks.

In Garden City, efforts to save St. Paul's School, one the state's most endangered architectural gems, remain mired in village politics, as trustees consider competing visions for the school that is suffering from years of neglect.

One promising approach comes from the [Committee to Save St. Paul's](#), a citizens group that has fought other plans to demolish much of the school. The committee recently offered its own plan to re-use the buildings for senior rental housing, and for a community center.

There's also encouraging news in East Hampton, where Supervisor William McGintee backs an ingenious plan to save a group of nine historic buildings, moving them from an estate where they were restored, and re-using them for town offices. The buildings were given to the town by Edmund Carpenter and Adelaide de Menil.

In Hampton Bays another preservation proposal is being weighed by the Town of Southampton. There, a developer recently offered plans to save the historic Canoe Place Inn, once a stagecoach stop, proposing to re-use it as a time-share complex.

And in Sag Harbor, architects have come up with an intriguing plan to save the landmark [Bulova Watch Case Factory](#) by restoring the historic structure, and using much of it to house 81 condominiums.

In all these cases, the key is to find a new use for historic buildings--a public use--to preserve these landmarks.

Use it or lose it: it's the iron rule of preservation.

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as well as a Letter to the Editor of *The Garden City News*,
to express your views about St. Paul's.**

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