

THE ST. PAUL'S SENTINEL

Honoring and preserving our community's heritage

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AS A WAY OF INTRODUCTION

Welcome to *The St. Paul's Sentinel*, an e-newsletter compiled by the Committee to Save St. Paul's. It's our intention to raise awareness among supporters and residents about the unique, historic structure and develop a reasonable and affordable plan to preserve St. Paul's for public use.

St. Paul's School is our legacy, bestowed by Cornelia Stewart on behalf of her husband, Garden City's founder, Alexander Turney Stewart, whose name is inscribed atop the entrance-way. Mr. Stewart was an innovator, a merchant who saw opportunity and seized the moment. This is our moment. Preserving this piece of our heritage — a visible icon that defines Garden City as a distinctive community with roots — and maintaining public control have become a quest for many. We urge you to stay or become active participants in the Committee's efforts by circulating information you read in these newsletters, joining or leading one of our new partnership groups, attending Village Board of Trustees meetings, expressing your opinions in Letters to the Editor, making a donation to the Committee if possible, and most importantly, talking to everyone you know in this community about the advantages and necessity of retaining the St. Paul's building for public use. Thanks for your support.

...A Message from Maureen Traxler, Administrative and Communications Director

EILEEN BURNS COLLINS STEPS DOWN

As many of you are aware, Eileen Burns Collins has stepped down as Executive Director, and we wish her well as she pursues her career and personal goals. Please contact Maureen Traxler if you have questions, want to share your comments, or wish to become more involved. If you know someone who is interested but is not receiving our email, please have them contact Maureen to be put on our email list. She can be reached via phone at 516-319-1906, or via email at either mtraxler@optonline.net or through our webmail at info@savestpauls.org.

PARTNERSHIP GROUPS

We are happy to announce that over the summer, a group of active young moms has formed Families for St. Paul's, a partnership group with the Committee to Save St. Paul's. They plan to have fall events that will spread awareness about the timely issue of St. Paul's fate and promote support for the Committee's proposal for a solution to the St. Paul's impasse. The leaders of this group recognize the importance of retaining the availability of our athletic fields, as well as providing meeting space and future opportunities for their children, their parents and the senior citizen community. Any family wishing to join the Families for St. Paul's can contact Rachel Cashwell at rcashwel@optonline.net or Cathi Cavanaugh at Cathicavanaugh@aol.com.

Anyone interested in promoting preservation and public use of St. Paul's among their circle of friends or associates...be they senior citizens, veterans, advocates of the arts, St. Paul's alumni or similar groups...please get in touch with Maureen Traxler to coordinate these efforts.

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The Committee to Save St. Paul's recently launched its website, www.savestpauls.org. Log on to learn about the Committee's efforts, history and background of St. Paul's, and read news items. If you have comments or questions, please email us at info@savestpauls.org.

WHAT WE'VE DONE TO DATE

The Committee to Save St. Paul's has filed for and obtained 501(c)(3) status, developed written bylaws, and raised funds; reached out to the community with 2 mailings, letters, and attendance at POA meetings; contacted communities who have successful community center developments and numerous state and charitable agencies regarding funding opportunities; begun to explore financing options with law and tax experts; met with state representatives; informed the public through small group meetings; and attended Village meetings

The Executive Committee looks forward to working with you to schedule additional small, informal sessions throughout the fall, so that many more residents can learn about and support the Committee's efforts. Please contact Maureen Traxler if you can host a meeting of your neighbors or for your organization.

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Donations accepted to "St. Paul's Conservancy Corp." All donations are tax deductible.