



## THE ST. PAUL'S SENTINEL

*Honoring and preserving our community's heritage*

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### **DON'T BE DISCOURAGED BY THIS WORD "DEMOLITION"**

"Saving St. Paul's is not a dead issue and neither is the alternative plan that CSSP and The Garden City Historical Society presented to the Board in June 2010," says Mayor Brudie. "It is my opinion that this new Board of Trustees should take the time and effort to revisit the adaptive reuse of St. Paul's that has been proposed by these two local organizations and vetted to assure viability by a Village recommended firm reviewing cost analysis and an architectural firm that reviewed code compliance."

Mayor Brudie continues, "It's my personal preference to save St. Paul's for Village use. There are plenty of grant opportunities to make it affordable."

Recently, Mayor Brudie joined Dr. Robert MacKay of SPLIA (Society for the Preservation of Long Island Antiquities), Long Island's regional preservation source, in announcing a **\$100,000 grant from the Gerry Charitable Trust**. This matching grant would be targeted for St. Paul's preservation and rehabilitation projects. Dr. MacKay has pledged to work with the Village and interested community groups to secure further grant funds.

The Committee to Save St. Paul's is pursuing fundraising efforts through local-resident channels and through alumni of St. Paul's and St. Mary's. To date, CSSP has received over \$350,000 in pledges toward a preservation effort, and since the Village scheduled its "demolition" vote, CSSP has received an up-tick in general donations.

In 2007, CSSP wrote a grant application for the Village, and the Village was successful in receiving a \$300,000 matching grant under the Nassau County Environmental Bond Act. The grant was in the "brownfields" category, meaning the funds were targeted for hazardous material abatement. The Village has not taken advantage of this grant to date, and the Village Administrator has said that these funds are still available.

**THE COMMITTEE TO SAVE ST. PAUL'S,**  
**THE GARDEN CITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY,**  
**THE EASTERN PROPERTY OWNERS FOR SAVING ST. PAUL'S AND**  
**THE CENTRAL PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION (CPOA)**

**URGE YOU TO**

**VOTE "NO"**

**ON THE APRIL 27 REFERENDUM TO AUTHORIZE BONDS TO DEMOLISH ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL**

**NOON-9 P.M.**  
**THE FIELDHOUSE AT THE ST. PAUL'S RECREATION COMPLEX**

**PLEASE FORWARD THIS E-NEWSLETTER TO THOSE INTERESTED IN PRESERVING ST. PAUL'S AS PART  
OF OUR LEGACY TO OUR CHILDREN AND FUTURE VILLAGE RESIDENTS.**

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