



## Florida's Historic MOST WATCHED List

*The following historic sites are facing development pressure, neglect, maintenance issues, and/or are facing future threats to their preservation. We strongly urge you to continue to help protect these sites and join the local efforts to ensure their preservation.*

Dates in parentheses indicate the year(s) a site was included on the Florida's Eleven Most Endangered Historic Sites List.

### **Boynton Beach High School/Mangrove Park School, Boynton Beach (2008-2010)**

*Threat: deterioration and redevelopment without preservation*

The project was moved from most endangered because the City had a charette last year to save it and last month selected a redevelopment developer. The problem lies in that the selected development plan, while saving the structure, will not only create substantial interior demolition, but it is adding 2 glass structures (doubling the size of the building from 28,000 square feet to 53,000 square feet) on the primary street elevation that will forever change the high quality historic facade.

### **Royal Poinciana Playhouse and Plaza, Palm Beach (2010 – 2011)**

*Threat: deterioration and redevelopment without preservation*

Opening nights were always as beautiful as the Playhouse itself. Every big star that ever played the Royal Poinciana has raved about it with fond memories. Some of its acclaimed interior features include the acoustics and stadium seating that allow one to pass without others having to get up. In the early 1960's, John Volk also designed The Parker Playhouse in Fort Lauderdale for the Parker family. This playhouse has under gone a complete historic restoration and it is as revered today as the day it was built. The thought that we need yet one more condo in place of this wonderful, historic Playhouse is just beyond comprehension.

### **Cape San Blas Lighthouse & Keepers' Quarters, Port St. Joe**

*Threat: Coastal/Water line natural encroachment*

The City of Port St. Joe has been contacted by the U.S. Air Force concerning the relocation of the lighthouse, two keepers' quarters and the oil house at Cape San Blas. Due to the rapid erosion in the past few months, the structures are in grave danger and must be relocated to preserve them. The City has a park where the structures could be moved to and their history preserved. The third-order Fresnel lens and clock works remain in the historic lighthouse. Individuals are working tirelessly to raise funds for the relocation and preservation of these structures.

*To add a site to the MOST WATCHED List, please send the name of the site, and a brief description on the potential threat to [information@floridatrust.org](mailto:information@floridatrust.org). Please include a phone number and staff will call you to discuss the list.*