

## Private school set to upgrade

LITTLE RED SCHOOL HOUSE and Elisabeth Irwin High School, the Greenwich Village private school that has spawned firebrands like former *Nation* editor **Victor Navasky**, just purchased the brownstone next door to its 40 Charlton St. home.

With enrollment surging 75% in the past six years to 567 students, the tony school has outgrown its 25,000-square-foot digs. It nabbed the neighboring building, at 42 Charlton St., for \$4.1 million from a family whose daughter had attended the school.

Skidmore Owings & Merrill will design the new site.

"We are still trying to figure out exactly how we will use the new building," says **Phil Kassen**, director of LREI. The trustees, who include **Francis Greenburger**, chairman of real estate company Time Equities Inc., raised the money to purchase the building and advised on the deal.