

#4 - Thoughts of Alumni, Students, Faculty & Friends
on a Petition to
Save the Mount Allison Memorial Library



"you don't know what you've got til it's gone"

It is imperative! There are no other options. My daughter is a Mt. A. student. I will be very disappointed if this building is demolished, not just because I am an architect with a specialization in heritage conservation, but because I care about Mt. A's campus.

The historical buildings are part of the Mt A tradition. It is part of what makes Mt. A so distinctive. Alumni

It is absolutely critical that Canada as a nation (especially a national institution such as a university), ensures that the memory of those who lost their lives in service to our country in the Great War is preserved. Many who sacrificed their lives never came home, and it is buildings like these - erected in their memory - that serve as the only tombstones for lives long ago lost. To destroy such a building is to erase their memorial and we risk losing an important part of our nation's history. Not only that Canadians gave their lives in the War, but that those at home chose to commemorate them with a building; a choice made based on the belief that a building would stand for years to come and with it, their memory.

Destroying an architecturally significant building and war memorial in one fell swoop? This is not the Mount Allison I knew. Alumni

I believe it is imperative to preserve the Memorial Library. It was designed, built, and paid for by those who wished to create a living memorial to those Allisonians who died in World War I. They have passed away, but the values they died for include the reverence which is due those who have paid the ultimate price for the freedom that we enjoy today! Married to an Allisonian Class of 1977 and Father of two children attended Mt A.

"old is gold ... new is blue" Alumnus

How shortsighted to destroy monuments to one's own history. Only by knowing one's past, can one feel truly rooted in the present, and have a vision for the future. Celebrate Mount Allison's wonderful heritage and save the Memorial Library for future Allisonians!
Alumni Class of 1986

One of the most beautiful buildings on campus! It would be devastating to see it go. Student

In a university as highly revered as Mount Allison, it is important to preserve even the very idea of beauty which, it seems, is rapidly being sabotaged in the name of progress, practicality and profit. Alumni Class of 1967, and daughter of parents and grandparents who attended Mount Allison.

Heritage is most of what Mount Allison has going for it. Think about what should entice a student to attend Mount Allison. Ex Faculty

I am shocked that Mt A would even consider destroying this historic building. The destruction of this heritage building would be a sacrilege. It is a memorial building to the people who gave their lives in war so we as students could attend university in freedom. It seems that Mt. A has forgotten this! I live in Fredericton and you don't hear of UNB threatening to tear down Memorial Hall which was also built as a memorial to those who gave their lives in war. Incorporate the original part of the building as part of the Arts Centre. Alumni. Class of 1953 and Class of 1970

A classic case of: Knowing the cost of everything ... AND THE VALUE OF NOTHING!