

Hi,

I come from a family of Mount A graduates. Three of my brothers (Mike, Doug, Tim), 2 of their wives (Tara Kelly and Michelle Campbell), my wife (Julie Curwin, 86) and I (91) are all grads. The whole crew of us currently live in Sydney Nova Scotia.

I won't go on at length about the memorial library situation. I'm sure you've heard all the arguments for and against and have made up your mind that it's not worth saving. Perhaps from a short-term, strictly financial, point of view this is the right decision.

All I can tell you is that you're leaving a mess of pissed off people as a result of this, and long-term you may find that you are disenfranchising your alumni donor base. You've certainly disenfranchised my wife and I. We are 2 medical doctors, no kids, and currently in the process of making out our will, including decisions on which charities/organizations to leave money to.

As a result of this decision, and the previous decision to destroy the old Palmer House, MtA (near and dear to both our hearts - we were married there) will not be on our list. It's not the same place we went to, and clearly the people currently in charge don't have the same sense of "what Mount A is" that we do.

Written with sadness

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