Letter to the Editor

A Lesson in Sustainability

In the current issue of my alma mater alumni magazine, the McGill News, there is an interesting article entitled 'How Green is my Campus'. The introduction explains that 'thanks in large part to student demand, McGill University is becoming a leader in its sustainability efforts, drawing attention from other institutions for some of its innovative approaches'. Included is a section entitled 'Preserving the Past – and Future', which speaks to the many heritage buildings on campus and 'preserving such architectural treasures for future generations'. It states that 'sustainability is not just an environmental issue; it includes a social and cultural dimension, and McGill is not about to start knocking down its history'.

Maybe Mount Allison should take a lesson in sustainability from its big sister, and preserve one of its 'architectural treasures for future generations', the Memorial Library.

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