



# ***Rotary Club of Halifax***



## **ANNUAL SPRING DINNER** ***Proceeds to the Charitable Work of Rotary***

**Wednesday April 21, 2010**  
**Hotel Atlantica**  
1980 Robie Street, Halifax, NS

**Reception 6:30 PM**  
**Dinner at 7:30 PM**

**Guest Speaker: *Alexa McDonough, OC, MSW, DHumL***  
***President***



Alexa McDonough began her term as Interim President and Vice-Chancellor on August 28, 2009. Dr. McDonough received an honorary degree from the Mount in 2009. She is well known for her 30-year political career at both the federal and provincial levels. Prior to her appointment to the Mount, Alexa led the New Democratic Party (NDP) of Nova Scotia from 1980 to 1994, and was elected leader of the federal NDP in 1995. After stepping down eight years later, she continued to serve as Member of Parliament for Halifax until 2008.

Alexa received a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Psychology in 1965. Upon completion of her Masters in Social Work in 1967, she was employed as a social worker and social policy researcher. From 1970 -75, she was a Maritime School of Social Work Faculty member at Dalhousie University, teaching social policy, social administration, and community development, and supervising graduate students on field placements. Subsequently, she worked in policy research with the Marginal Work World Project at Henson College, then part of Dalhousie University.

A passionate advocate for women in politics, Alexa was the first woman to lead a recognized political party in Canada. In the 2006 federal election, she became the first woman to win four consecutive terms representing Nova Scotia in Parliament. That year, she was also the only woman elected among the 32 Members of Parliament from Atlantic Canada.

Alexa was instrumental in driving worker health and safety reform, strengthening human rights protections, and advancing pay equity. She also led the charge in fighting for and winning the first ban on extra billing in Canada. Since stepping down as leader, Alexa has concentrated her efforts on international development, and peace advocacy, and foreign policy issues.

Throughout her one-year term as President, Alexa McDonough will work closely with members of the senior administration team, supporting them in their efforts around overall management of the University. Her leadership experience and long-standing history of helping others will benefit the Mount during our journey to creating the best university experience for all members of our community.

Alexa was recently appointed to the Order of Canada.

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