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## CLIMATE RESEARCH LAB

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*Summer 2017*

Join the Honourable David MacDonald as he leads discussions on topics around the theme of ***Now That's a Really Great Question - "Can Mother Earth and her peoples survive and thrive in the Anthropocene?"***

These UPEI breakfast seminars will be held in Room 103 at 618 University Avenue, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island every Tuesday morning from 8 to 10 AM during the weeks from July 4<sup>th</sup> to August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017. Parking is free.

Topics include:

July 4, 2017

*Are Oceans Us? The Climate/Ocean Crisis: How can we end the global 'addiction' to fossil fuels?*

July 11, 2017

*Is Politics the Art of the Deal? What is indispensable about Politics in our Global Village?*

July 18, 2017

*How can we create a habitable, thriving and just future?*

July 25, 2017

*Who's Speaking, Who's Listening, Who Cares? Why is The Medium really the Message?*

August 1, 2017

*Is Capitalism Over? What are healthy Models for a Caring Economy?*

August 8, 2017

*Why does our culture depend on Violence? If we love this Planet, can we Live in an age of Mass Destruction?*

August 15, 2017

*Why Racism? – its roots and branches. The African Condition' meets 'Black Lives Matter'*

August 22, 2017

*Is Reconciliation Possible? Why do we need to unsettle the settler?*

Please register which seminars you wish to attend by emailing [climate@upei.ca](mailto:climate@upei.ca) or calling (902) 894-2852.



David MacDonald grew up in Prince Edward Island. He is a graduate of Prince of Wales College in Charlottetown, Dalhousie University and Pine Hill Divinity Hall in Halifax; and has LLD's from St. Mary's University, and the University of Prince Edward Island and a DD from Victoria College of the University of Toronto. He was ordained as a United Church Minister in June of 1961 serving as pastor of the United Church in Alberton, Prince Edward Island from 1962 to 1965, he served.

Beginning in 1965, he was elected as a Progressive Conservative Member of Parliament in 1968, 1972, 1974, 1979 and in 1988; first as the representative for western P.E.I. and latterly for Rosedale (Toronto Centre). In 1979, he was Appointed Secretary of State, Minister of Communications and Minister Responsible for the Status of Women. In June 1997 he was the NDP candidate for Toronto-Center Rosedale. In 1984, he was appointed Canadian Emergency Coordinator/African Famine and in 1986, Canadian Ambassador to Ethiopia, Sudan and Djibouti.

From 1989-1993 he chaired the House of Commons Committee on the Environment, the Ad Hoc Parliamentary Committee on AIDS and the Liaison Committee of the House of Commons. Since the early 1990's he has co-chaired the Commons Group on ethics and the environment. Since 2008 he has been a Director of Faith and the Common Good. He is actively involved in a number of national and international organizations committed to just and sustainable communities, human rights and peace.

Since December 1998, he has served as Special Advisor on Indian Residential Schools for the United Church of Canada and more recently on Climate and Ocean Change.

Do not miss this special opportunity to discuss these important issues of today, allowing David MacDonald to empower us to become "ambassadors of our own fate."

Sincerely,

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