

## Comments on the Rug Hooking Display

### **Below are comments sent to us by people who have viewed the Rug display:**

I am just back from Tors Cove. I went to view the hooked rug display that was done by some of the ladies with HHM Alumnae Choir. All I can say is wow! If you get a chance to go view these rugs - please do so. They are amazing. The rugs depict scenes, images, and memories of WW1 and are quite incredible. With the exception of four of the ladies, none of the women had ever hooked a rug before. Yet, the rugs are amazingly beautiful, professionally done and the stories behind the images are incredibly moving. One rug depicts a cap badge. The lady that hooked that rug remembers as a little girl being so proud to shine the cap badge and the buttons on her fathers uniform. Sheila Feaver has done an incredible rug of a Newfoundland dog - the mascot of the Newfoundland regiment. The tongue of the dog has a little sliver of white material. The material for that white part of the dogs tongue came from a t-shirt belonging to her nephew who is currently serving in Afghanistan. Barbara O'Keefe, along with two other ladies in the choir, created this amazing rug that depicts war medals. The colours of that rug are breathtaking.

What an amazing project. It is an incredible tribute to the veterans who served in the wars and also an amazing tribute to the ladies who worked on this project. I spoke to several of them today and the pride they feel at having been part of this wonderful project was quite evident. I can only imagine how moved and proud they will be when they sing at Beaumont Hamel next spring (as part of their tour). So, get out and see this display. I think it will be on display at Mount Pearl City Hall next week. After that, I'm not sure. It should be at the Rooms and hopefully one day will be.

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