Citation for Warwick Hewitt

Warwick retired from the Grenfell Campus in 1992 after having served 22 years at Memorial.

In May 1970, after graduating from what was then the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design, he became Graphic Designer in the Educational Television Department at MUN in St John’s; five years later, in August 1975, Warwick transferred to Corner Brook as Graphic Designer and Illustrator in the Graphics and Audiovisual Departments of the new west coast MUN campus. For five years after his retirement he continued activities in the his professional field, working as a free-lance graphic artist from 1992 to 1997 completing designs for a variety of customers including local towns, businesses, and community and tourist organizations. His work included designing crests for three local towns namely Pasadena, Steady Brook, and Cormack. He also designed the Cormack Cenotaph located near St. George’s Church in Cormack. Two of his designs which are viewed daily by large numbers of both residents and visitors are the Viking Ship logo on the Viking Trail Route signs, and the information plaque for the Man in the Mountain viewing site.

In 2005 Warwick ran for a position on the town of Cormack council and garnered the largest number of votes becoming the mayor of the town. During his term as mayor he represented the town participating in various regional meetings and he was instrumental in overseeing the completion of several major projects which added to the town's facilities. These included the construction of the Community Resource Centre which included a community hall, conference rooms, town offices, a library, and an agricultural heritage centre. He was also instrumental in revitalizing the sale of building lots in a zoned residential area that had been dormant for a number of years. He was also successful in obtaining government funding to pave community side roads. As mayor he also held meetings with the then incumbent Liberal MP, Gerry Byrne, to discuss the Federal Government’s responsibility to the agricultural industry and those issues which affected primary producers.

Since his retirement Warwick’s interest and hobbies have included salmon and trout fishing, darts, playing cards, and gardening, while maintaining a lovely house on a beautiful ten acre lot in Cormack. This would be enough to keep many retirees fully occupied and satisfied, but Warwick has used his time in retirement to also make valuable contributions to his home community and to the Humber Valley region as a whole. For his services to his local community we are today awarding him a well-deserved MUNPA Tribute Award.