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# Poppy campaign underway



Morinville Mayor Simon Boersma speaks to Morinville and District Chamber of Commerce members at their November 2 luncheon. Boersma spoke about the growth of the community and the challenges of being a city-sized town, as well as council's strategic plan. - **Submitted Photo** 

From left: Morinville Legion Branch No. 176 Poppy Chair Carol Gabriel, Morinville Deputy Mayor Ray White, Sgt-at-Arms Mark Pasqualetto, 1st Vice President Mike Adams, Morinville - St. Albert MLA Dale Nally, Executive and Service Officer Lisa Adams, Legal Mayor Trina Jones, and Committee member Steve Butt. - **Stephen Dafoe Photo** 

## By Stephen Dafoe and Morinville Online

Poppy sales are well underway in the area ahead of Remembrance Day on Friday, November 11. The Royal Canadian Legion Morinville Branch No. 176 kicked off its Poppy Campaign on Friday, October 29 by presenting local dignitaries with the first poppies.

Morinville Deputy Mayor Ray White, Legal Mayor Trina Jones, and Morinville – St. Albert MLA Dale Nally, Minister of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction received poppies from the Legion executive and committee members.

1st Vice President Mike Adams

presented Deputy Mayor Ray White with his poppy, while Executive and Service Officer Lisa Adams presented MLA Dale Nally with his. Committee member Steve Butt presented Legal Mayor Trina Jones with hers. Also in attendance was Poppy Chair Carol Gabriel and Sgt.-at-Arms Mark Pasqualetto.

First Vice President Mike Adams said once the dignitaries had received their poppy as representatives of the community, the Legion could move on with its poppy sales.

"The branch can now move forward with selling their poppies and the act of remembrance," Adams said.

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Executive Committee member Steve Butt presents Legal Mayor Trina Jones with a poppy.



1st Vice President Mike Adams presents a poppy to Morinville Deputy Mayor Ray White.



Executive and Service Officer Lisa Adams presents a poppy to Morinville-St. Albert MLA Dale Nally, Minister of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction.

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"People are more than welcome to purchase a poppy. They can wear it for as long as they want, whatever day they want, in their own act of remembrance.

"If someone" feels so inclined, they can wear their poppies at any given time. It's not just for November to remember the troops. I

know some Silver Cross mothers who wear it year-round to remember their fallen child, daughter. husband, They can wear that poppy any time they want."

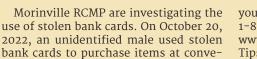
The Annual Poppy Campaign raises thousands of dollars to provide support and assistance to veterans and their families.

There are a couple of additions to poppy campaigns this year. Some trays now have a tap option for your donation, and a new website offers stories of veterans.

The website poppystories.ca allows you to scan your poppy by lining it up in a cutout to reveal a story on a veteran. Site visitors can also view other veterans' stories without scanning their poppies.

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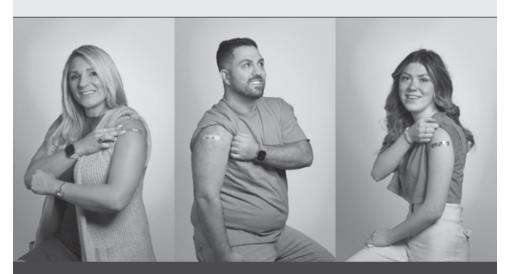




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# REMEMBRANCE DAY



# Banners of Remembrance return to Morinville

By Stephen Dafoe and Morinville Online

Ten banners honouring the lives of Morinville and area veterans who paid the ultimate sacrifice will once again be raised over Morinville along 100 Street.

"The banners are important because it reminds the

community of the lives that were lost, given in service of the country," said Musée Morinville Museum attendant Donna Garrett, noting the banners hang from the lamp posts on 100 Street from Sobeys to the Morinville Fire Department. "We call it, during this time, Veterans' Way, and the ten

banners commemorate the lives that were lost."

Of the ten banners, two depict soldiers from the First World War: Jean Ferrat and Louis Bourassa. There are seven from the Second World War: George Parker, Leon Theberge, Russell John Majeau, Jean-Paul Therrien, Louis Max Lavallee, Richard Albert McDonald, and Paul Emile Caouette. From Afghanistan is Byron Garth Greff,

a Morinville resident who was the last Canadian soldier to lose his life in that country.

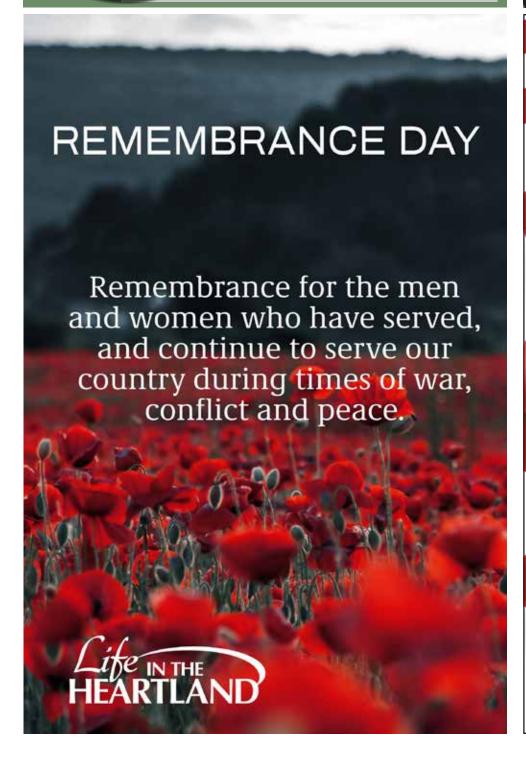
Russell John Majeau was a Pilot Officer killed on April 28, 1942. He was 27 at the time of his death and is buried at Hilsenheim Communal Cemetery, Bas-Rhin, France.

Leon Theberge was a Private with PPCLI, Royal

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# REMEMBRANCE \*



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Canadian Infantry Corps.

He died on December 29, 1943, at the age of 21 and is buried in Ortona, Italy.

Richard

McDonald, Flight Sergeant, was killed on April 18, 1945, at the age of 22.

He is remembered at the Runnymede Memorial in Surrey, United Kingdom.

Jean Ferrat, Private, is buried at the Contay British Cemetery, Department de la Somme, Picardie, France. Ferrat died on Sept. 27, 1916, at the age of 36.

Louis Bourassa, 233rd Overseas Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force, is buried in Edmonton atSaintJoachim's Cemetery.

Bourassa died on June 29 at the age of 25.

Jean-Paul Therrien is buried at the Bergen-Op-Zoom Cemetery Holland. He died at 19 years of age November 2, 1944. He was a Private with Algonquin Regiment, RCIC Army. He lived in Morinville when he enlisted.

Byron Greff was a Master

Corporal with 3 Battalion, Princess Patricia's

Canadian Light Infantry and is

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On behalf of the Royal Canadian Legion Gibbons Branch 226 and the Town of Bon Accord

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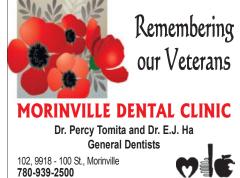
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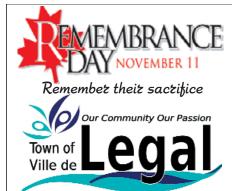








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> Proud soldiers on the field lay, Not World Wars, but here today, Fighting unknown terror.

> The past should have taught us well. That weapons fired bring only Hell, and there are no winners.

Young lives cut short, no more to be a nation helped and set free by those who think it's right.

Desert heat and blinding sand, ruined structures on the land, a country devastated.

Remember World Wars One and Two but also think of those who do the battles today.

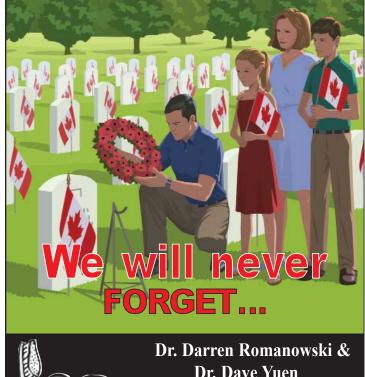
We thank all Veterans for their choice, and perhaps one day we will rejoice, the world at peace.

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buried in Lacombe, Alberta. Greff, a resident of Morinville at the time of his death on October 29, 2011, was one of 17 killed in a suicide bomber attack that struck an International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) vehicle.

Greff, who was 28 at the time, was the last Canadian soldier killed in Afghanistan.

The banner project brings awareness of Morinville and the area's military history to light and is in recognition of remembrance of the sacrifices of these soldiers and all soldiers.

Loralee Elliott of the Historical & Cultural Society with the assistance of President Paulette Houle and fellow member Andy Noel as well as members of the Volume 4 (for) History

Committee led the project to develop the banners.

The Town of Morinville, Kal McDonald of Coach's Corner Sports Bar & Grill, graphic designer Mona Bouchard, and the Royal Canadian Legion Br. 176 Morinville also lent support to the initiative.

Garrett hopes residents will take the time to walk the street and look at the banners.

"It's to honour the men who lost their lives for our community," Garrett said, adding that residents are encouraged to visit the museum for additional information on each soldier.

The Musée Morinville Museum is open Wednesday through Saturday from noon until 5 p.m.

They will open on Remembrance Day, Friday, November 11, from noon until 3 p.m.









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- Stephen Dafoe Photo





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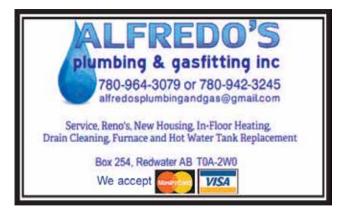


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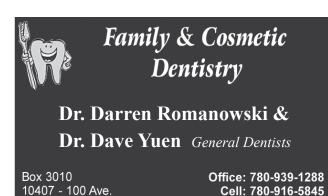
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