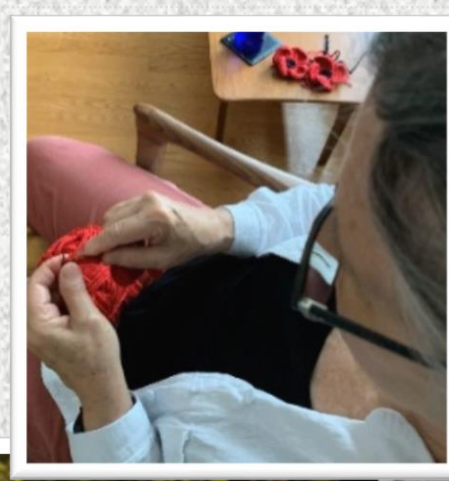


A Collaborative Community Project of Remembrance

Mississippi Mills Poppy Project 2024



May 18, 2024, a posted invitation invited knitters and crocheters to be part of a collaborative community project in Mississippi Mills. Our goal 10,000 poppies 😊

Individuals, *knitting* and crochet groups, family members, friends, and students participated individually and collectively.



October 20, 2024, 10,026 poppies were created and submitted.

November 6, 2024, 10,826 poppies were created and submitted.





'Tie One On'



In September, community members were invited to "Tie One (or 2 or 3) On" at the Textile Museum's FibreFest, at the Mississippi Mills Open House, then at the Almonte Public Library and the Pakenham Public Library.





Once poppies were tied on the deer netting to create poppy displays, all poppies were tacked together by volunteers by hand so that all poppies were in full bloom.

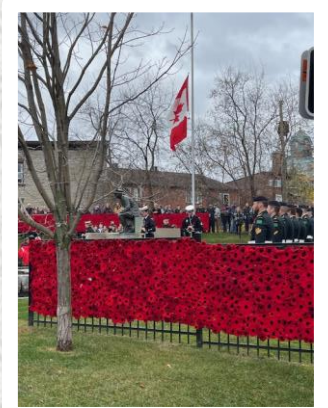


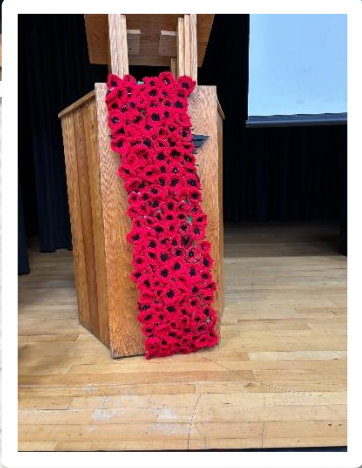


Poppy displays in Almonte



*Almonte Cenotaph
Train Wreck
Memorial*





Almonte Legion, Branch 240

Almonte Public Library

Almonte Fire Station

Almonte District High School

Ottawa Valley Health Team Office

Almonte General Hospital

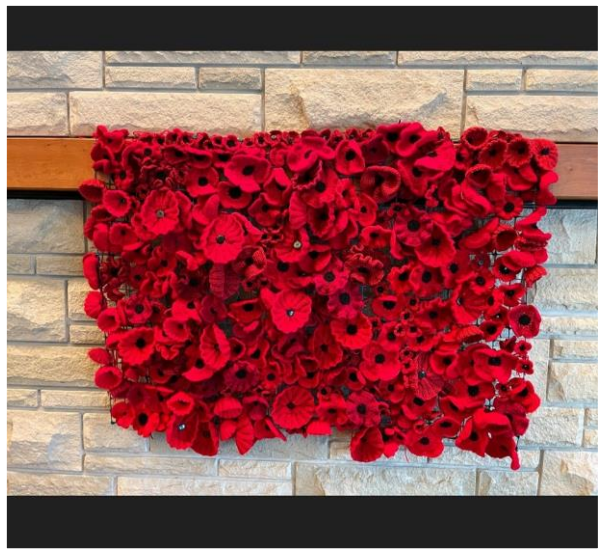
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Fairview Manor

Country Haven

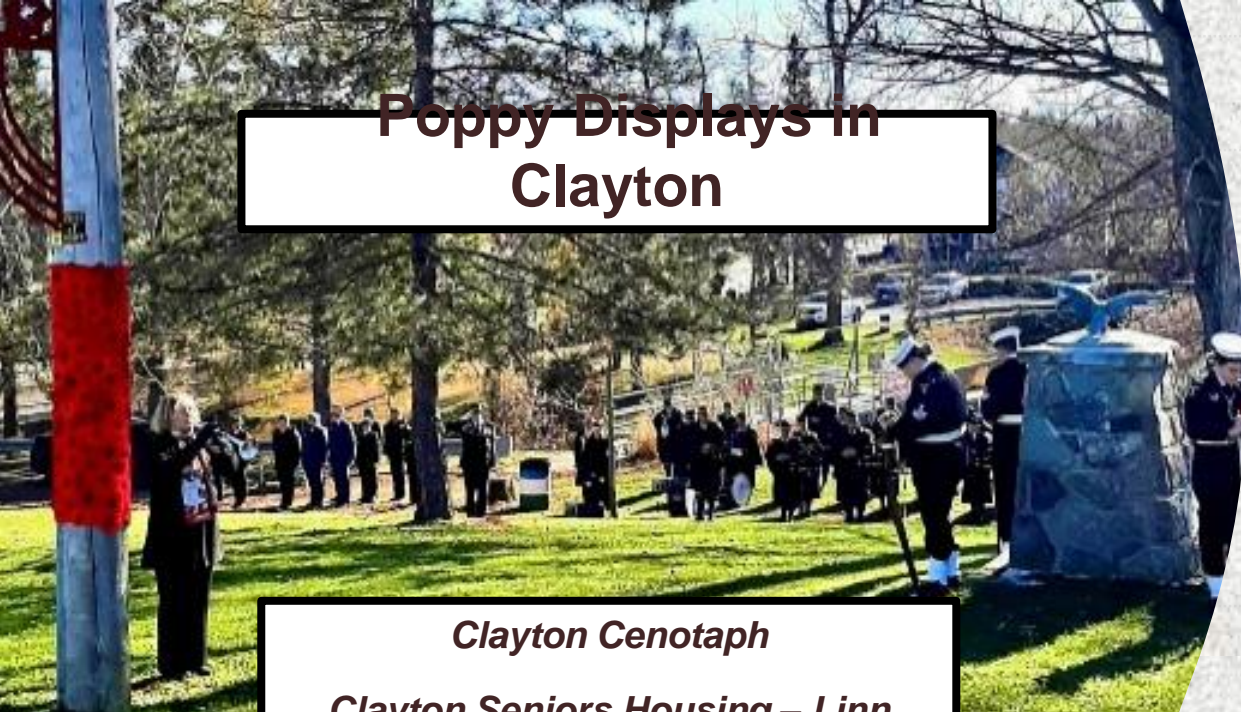
Country Street Apartments

Orchard View Retirement Community

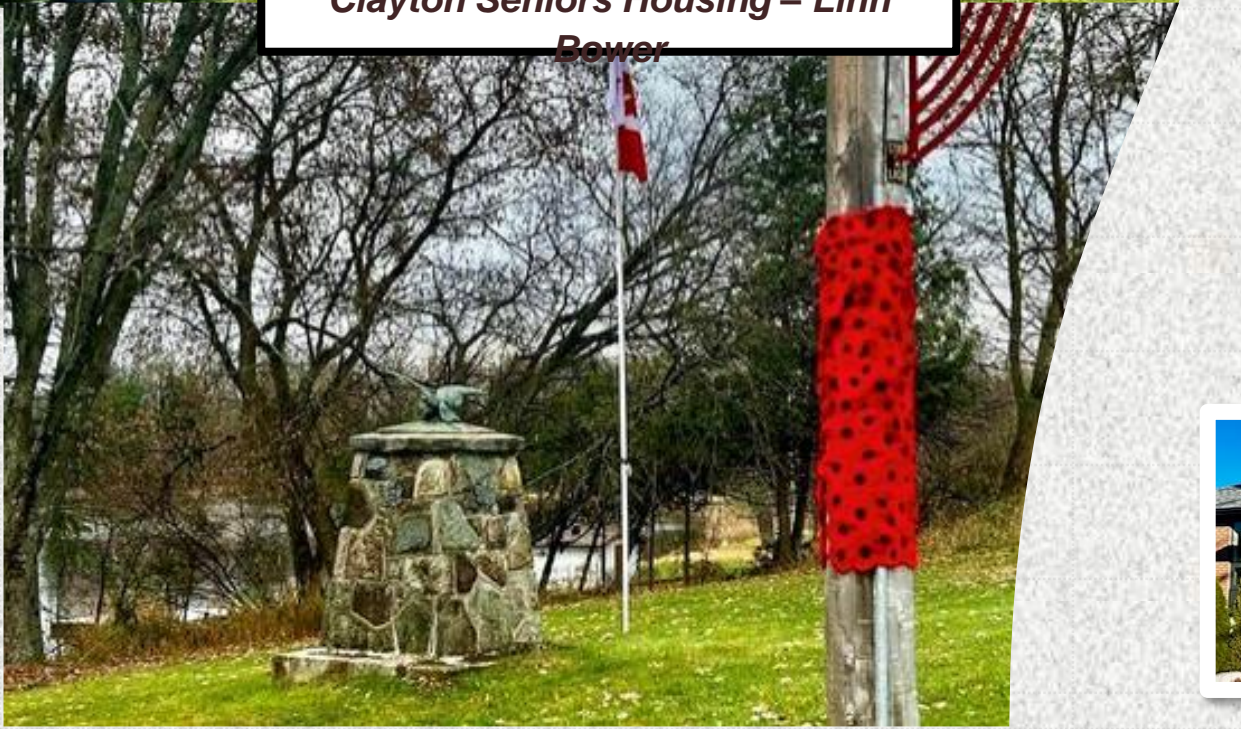


Poppy Displays in Pakenham

Poppy Displays in Clayton



Clayton Cenotaph
Clayton Seniors Housing – Linn Bower



Pakenham Cenotaph
Pakenham Public School
Stewart Community Center
Pakenham Library

Five Arches Assisted

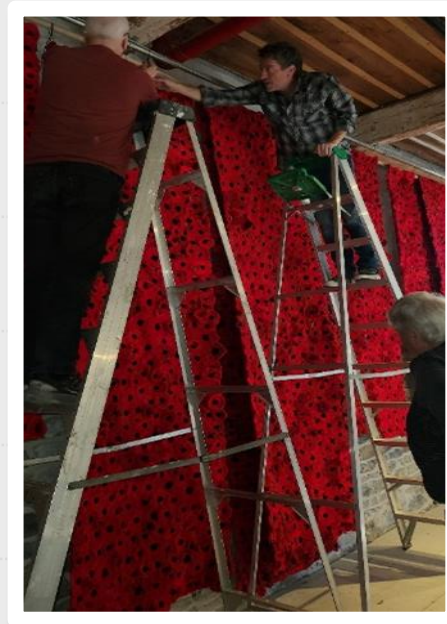


A collaborative community project of Remembrance: Our Promise to Remember

Mississippi Mills Poppy Project 2024

Poppy displays hung in the Mississippi Valley Textile Museum between November 16, 2024, and January 9, 2025; allowed individuals to see the full display of poppies 10,000+ poppies over the Christmas holiday period.

Each poppy represents our individual and collective gratitude for those who have served and to those who serve; remembering all gave some, some gave all.



Gratitude & Thanks

- ✓ **Municipality of Mississippi Mills Council: Micro-grant**
- ✓ **Municipality of Mississippi Mills: Culture & Recreation Department**
- ✓ **The Hub: donations of red and black wool/yarn, knitting needles, crochet hooks, cotton fabrics to make storage bags**
- ✓ **Drop-off locations: Almonte Old Town Hall; Almonte Public Library; Textile Traditions; Mississippi Valley Textile Museum; Orchardview; Levi Home Hardware; Pakenham Public Library**
- ✓ **Tom Levi and Levi Home Hardware: discounts on purchases of deer netting (backbone of all poppy displays)**
- ✓ **Mississippi Valley Textile FibreFest: first public profile of the Poppy Project & launched poppy tying; invited attendees to “Tie One On”**
- ✓ **Mississippi Mills Open House: 2nd profile the Poppy Project; invited participants to “Tie One On”**
- ✓ **Mississippi Mills Public Libraries in Almonte and Pakenham: welcomed the Poppy Project and residents and the public to tie poppies onto deer netting to make the Poppy Displays of Remembrance; opportunities for community building**
- ✓ **Mississippi Valley Textile Museum: allowed Poppy Displays to hang (dry & air out); invited the public to visit / view the Poppy Displays prior to going into storage for next year**
- ✓ **300+ Volunteers: donations of wool, talents, energy, time = PRICELESS**