

# New memorial honors Trestle Trail shooting victims



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TOWN OF MENASHA, Wis. (WFRV) - One month after a deadly shooting on the Trestle Trail in the Fox Cities, a new memorial showed up on the bridge.

So far, nobody knows who put it there, but the community says it is a fitting tribute. The memorial blends into the bridge. Some people have had to look twice to spot it. But, people say that is what makes it so perfect. It allows people to remember the past, while taking in the beauty of the present.

"Oh it was beautiful. It was a great day to get out of the office for a bit" says Monica Clare who was out walking the trail.

She was one of roughly 200 people gathered at the Trestle Trail to kick off a summer long active living challenge.

"Wisconsin is really sometimes a challenge when it comes to being active outside, but we have so many great parks in our area. We really want to make sure people know that they are out there and take advantage of them. A lot of them are free to use" says Emily Dieringer with Weight of the Fox Valley.

Earn stamps in your passport by logging at least 15 minutes of exercise three times a week. The book highlights trails and parks in Winnebago, Calumet and Outagamie counties.

"I saw a turtle sunning on a piece of wood at the end sticking out. Everybody was smiling it was really awesome" says walker Margie Harvey.

Many people also stopped to look at a new memorial on the south side of the bridge. It honors the three people killed in a random shooting on May 3rd.

"It is definitely on our mind. You can not help but think about it" says another walker Karen Ziemke.

Three mosaic tiles honor the victims by name, the fourth points people to the book of Revelations in the Bible.

According to Harvey "I thought that it was a very special thing that the community did to have a great remembrance of the tragic event, but also continued to use this beautiful thing that we have here to walk across".

The passport event was planned long before the shooting, but served as another way for the community to heal.

"This was our way to kind of reclaim our parks and our trails for everybody to use because they are safe and they're really great" Dieringer says.

The passport program is in response to new numbers that show roughly 60 percent of people living the Fox Valley are overweight or obese.

You can download the book or pick one up at several locations throughout the community. [Click here for more information.](#)