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Niagara-on-the-Lake Heritage Trail Committee Installs Interpretive Signage along Heritage Trail

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In December, six new, permanent interpretive signs were installed along the Heritage Trail to enhance users' experience, showcasing unique facts and history about the local area.

This initiative was made possible thanks to the generous donation from the Goettler Family Foundation and Owen Bjorgan, a Niagara-on-the-Lake local who wrote the content of the signs.

"Many community members use the Heritage Trail daily, and I am proud to see this addition come to life," stated Lord Mayor Gary Zalepa. "On behalf of Town Council, thank you to the Heritage Trail Committee, Town Staff, the Goettler Family Foundation, and Owen Bjorgan for working together to make this installation possible."

These beautifully designed and easy-to-read signs cover a wide range of information about the local area, such as:

- Nationally rare trees, and rare and interesting wildlife in Niagara-on-the-Lake
- The Carolinian Forest Zone
- Niagara waterways
- The history of the Heritage Trail and railroad
- The trail's pollinator gardens

"Residents can find these wonderful signs between the John Street entrance and Charlotte Street, and Charlotte Street and East-West Line," stated Interim CAO Bruce Zvaniga. "These signs are a great way to learn and explore while using the Heritage Trail to stay active. Thank you to all those involved in improving the overall experience of Heritage Trail."

To learn more about the Upper Canada Heritage Trail rehabilitation project, please visit www.heritagetrail.ca

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