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## Platinum Cutz Barber's Annual Back 2 School Event

By Michael Ortoski

BANGOR - It's back to school time and Platinum Cutz Barber held their annual event to get kids in the community ready for the big day. As a proud sponsor this year Slate Belt Rising donated \$1500.00 towards back packs, and many other school supplies for their event.

Platinum Cutz staff were on hand to give free hair cuts to the students while listening to the live entertainment.

Girl Scout troop 8663 were one of the vendors selling baked goods, there was 'JenStrong' breast cancer awareness booth and live music by Cody Templeton, free food and more.

Other Sponsors were: Mushlitz Construction, Set the Tone, Freddy Reed Photography,

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## Minsi Lake Update

By Michael Ortoski Co-Chairman FOML

UPPER MT. BETHEL - John Mauser co-chair of Friends of Minsi Lake (FOML) last week did some weed pulling at the west shore location at Minsi Lake with other volunteers.

He purchased a special tool for the job, its kind of like a rake with blades that you cut the weeds and pull them out with one motion.

The group worked on the boat launch area only. "It was difficult for larger boats to launch here so we felt we had to step in and clear the weeds out" said Mauser.

This is considered maintenance that FOML will do in the future as needed.

Other updates about the lake are, the 125' pedestrian bridge will be installed over the spillway of the dam in the fall. This will connect the trail that goes all the way around the lake.

Pa. Fish and Boat has tentatively scheduled their regional maintenance crew to install a number of stone pathways on the riprapped dam from the macadam trail to the water's edge at Minsi Lake the week of September 20.

They will donate the stone and labor to do the job as well as the County Parks & Rec staff will help with manual labor.

The community asked for this upgrade because the large rocks that cover the dam are to dangerous to climb onto to get to the waters edge to fish.

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