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## 9/11- 20 Years Later

By Senator Scavello

**PEN ARGYL** - It was 20 years ago this week that terrorists carried out a coordinated attack on the United States, killing nearly 3,000 Americans. It was an atrocity that would shake the nation's confidence and test its resolve.

Amid the tragedies playing out in New York City, Washington, D.C. and Somerset County, Pennsylvania, there were stirring acts of courage and bravery. From the shock and mourning emerged a unified people.

The effects of the events of September 11, 2001 continue to reverberate. Many of those who died left behind children who were so young they never got to know their parents. A new generation has grown up over the past two decades with few, if any, memories of those they lost. Some 1,106 victims, or 40% of those who died, remain unidentified.

The best way to honor those killed 20 years ago is to renew our commitment to unity and to overcoming the challenges we face today.



## Ribbon Cutting At Minsi Lake For Adaptive Fishing Piers/kayak Launch

By Michael Ortoski

**UPPER MT. BETHEL** - County Executive Lamont McClure, the Department of Parks and Recreation, Friends of Minsi Lake and Team River Runner held a ribbon cutting ceremony at the East Shore parking lot at Lake Minsi on Monday for two adaptive fishing piers and an adaptive kayak launch. These lakeside amenities are designed and built for wheelchair access in order to provide fishing and boating opportunities for everyone regardless of physical ability.

Speakers included County Executive Lamont McClure, Superintendent of Parks Bryan Cope, Senator Mario Scavello, John Mauser from Friends of Minsi Lake, Scott Tihansky from BoardSafe Docks and George White from Team River Runner. Following the ribbon cutting, Team River Runner did a demonstration on how to use the adaptive kayak launch led by Kenneth Ryno from Team River Runner.

Ryno and Bob Emelio both wheel chair bound were instrumental on the creation of the launch teaming up with BoardSafe Docs years ago. They belong

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Top L-R Dave Due Upper Mt. Bethel Supervisor, John Birmingham Upper Mt. Bethel Board, Senator Scavello, Ken Ryno Team River Runner member cuts the ribbon, County Executive Lamont McClure, Superintendent of Parks Bryan Cope, Co-Chair John Mauser from Friends of Minsi Lake

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