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Kucerak Gift to Arc Park Keeps Giving

HERKIMER — A generous \$50,000 gift given by Paul Kucerak of Herkimer, NY to Arc Park turned in to a \$90,000 donation at Arc Herkimer's fundraiser, the New York International Wine Auction, on September 30.

Arc Herkimer President/CEO Kevin Crosley announced the donation as he and Kucerak toured the park. "As we continue to fundraise for Arc Park for maintenance and equipment, we cannot thank Paul Kucerak enough for his generous donation. Paul has been a loyal and generous supporter of both Arc Herkimer and the New York International Wine Auction for many, many years. If a \$50,000 gift wasn't amazing enough, Paul supported Arc Herkimer utilizing his donation as a catalyst for a matching gift opportunity during the live auction at our September 30th fundraiser. Within 10 minutes, auction bidders met the challenge raising \$40,000 for a total of \$90,000 for Arc Park. What a wonderful moment for both the Kucerak family and our agency. His gift, along with those from other generous park donors, will impact generations to come at a park that allows children and adults of all abilities to enjoy recreation," Crosley said.

Arc PARK, located at 420 E. German Street in Herkimer, is the first and only fully accessible public recreation park in a nine-county region including Chenango, Fulton, Hamilton, Herkimer, Madison, Montgomery, Oneida, Otsego, and Schoharie counties. The park, a partnership between Arc Herkimer and Village of Herkimer, has been deemed a regional asset and destination. Arc PARK will enrich lives for all by bringing together people of all ages and abilities for a unique recreational, wellness, and social experience.

The capital campaign for the park included funding from public and private foundations, private donors, Arc Herkimer staff, the New York State Senate, and a grant from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation through Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993.

Arc Herkimer continues fundraising efforts for Arc Park. To donate contact Development Director Bob Baber at (315) 574-7353 or online visit www.archerkimer.org and go to ways to give.



Arc Herkimer President/CEO Kevin Crosley gives Paul Kucerak a tour of the recreational destination for people of all abilities and thanks him for his generous \$50,000 donation for Arc Park.