



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Patty Ritchie

Ritchie Honors 30 "Women of Distinction"

PATTY RITCHIE May 26, 2017



State Senator Patty Ritchie recognized 30 "Women of Distinction" for their contributions to our region at a special ceremony held Thursday evening at the Riveredge Resort in Alexandria Bay.

The "Women of Distinction" program honors women's history in the Empire State by recognizing outstanding leaders from the present who are achieving success in their careers, devoting time to volunteer causes in their communities and more.

“From those who are breaking glass ceilings in their careers and others who give countless hours to local volunteer organizations, to women holding elected office and those who have met life’s challenges head on with strength, grace and determination, this year’s honorees represent a wide variety of ages, talents and professions,” said Senator Ritchie.

“While they are all unique, they have one very important thing in common—and that’s that they have made a difference in the lives of so many people in our region.”

Those honored Thursday include:

Jefferson County

Nicole Alman

Adrienne Alteri

Amy Austin

Michelle Capone

Karen Clark

Sarah Cox

Kelly Flanagan-Hall

Rhonda Foote

Bonnie (Austin) Gardner

Dr. Maja Gray

Sylvia Stuber Heap

Constance Hoard

Marietta Holley

Joey Marie Horton

Amy McEathron

Katherine Stackel

Tonia Stephenson

Kathy Webster

Oswego County

Emily Bradshaw

Pamela Caraccioli

Peggy Manchester

St. Lawrence County

Annette Carlisi Craig

Samantha M. Curtis

Sally White Hartman

Caitlin Hill

LouAnne King

Laurie Marr

Deborah Miller

Patti Pastella

Carrie Tuttle

In addition to recognizing honorees, Thursday's ceremony also featured performances by the quartet "For Heaven's Sake," as well as Gavin Taylor, a student at Alexandria Central who sang the National Anthem.

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Attn. photo editors:

Pictured in the front row, from left to right are: Laurie Marr, Tonia Stephenson, Karen Clark, Deborah Miller, Sylvia Stuber Heap, Constance Hoard, Sally White Hartman, Annette Carlisi Craig and Amy McEathron

Pictured in the back row from left to right are: Patti Pastella, LouAnne King, Amy Austin, Michelle Capone, Rhonda Foote, Adrienne Alteri, Katherine Stackel, Pamela Caraccioli, Dr. Maja Gray, Kelly Flanagan-Hall, Sarah Cox, Caitlin Hill, Nicole Alman, Joey Marie Horton, Margaret Kastler (accepting on behalf of Marietta Holley), David Gardner (accepting on behalf of Bonnie (Austin) Gardner and Senator Patty Ritchie.

