



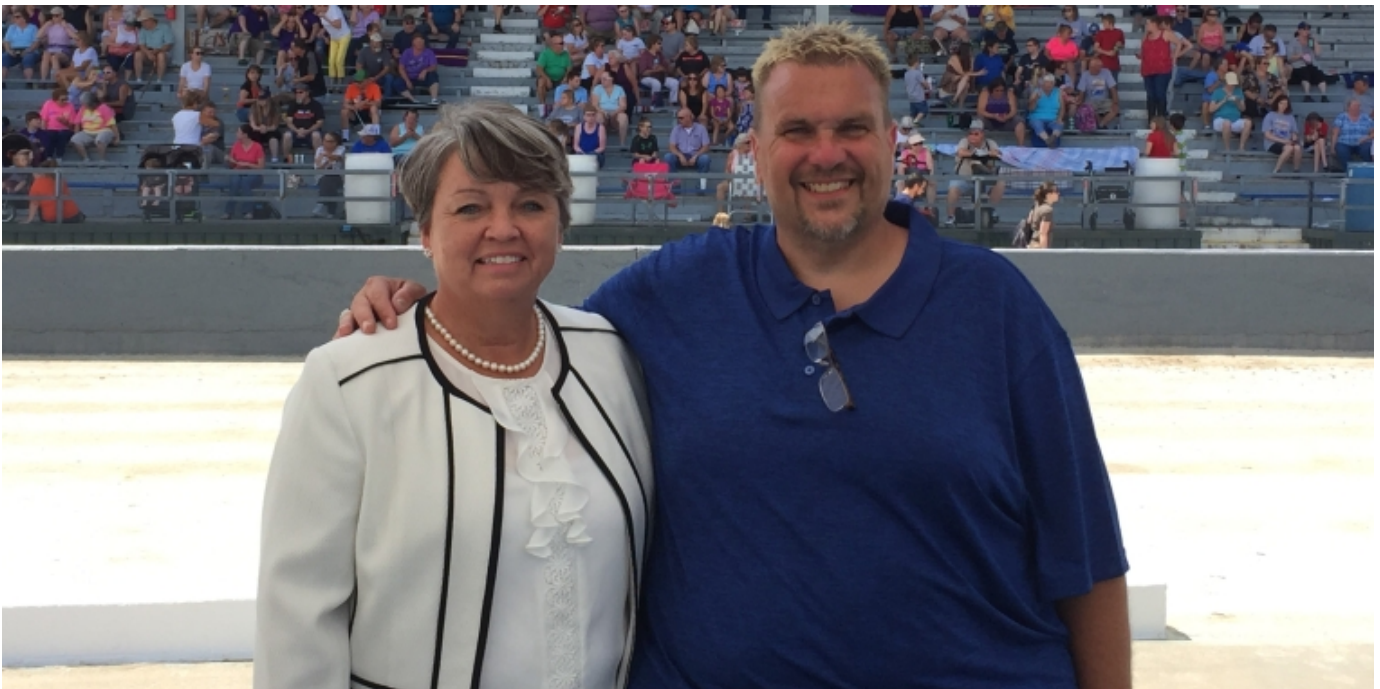
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Patty Ritchie

## Ritchie Honored at 2019 Gouverneur & St. Lawrence County Fair

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During the 2019 Gouverneur and St. Lawrence County Fair, State Senator Patty Ritchie, who was inducted into the St. Lawrence County Fair Hall of Fame last year, was honored for her support of area marching bands and school music programs.

During her time as State Senator, Senator Ritchie has delivered funding to ensure marching bands throughout Jefferson, Oswego and St. Lawrence Counties had equipment and instruments, and that programs in schools were saved from budget cuts.

In addition, she has helped various school musical groups with funding to participate in national events such as the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade in Washington, D.C. and has invited students to share their musical talents at numerous community events she has hosted.

*(In the above photo, Senator Ritchie (left) is seen at the Gouverneur and St. Lawrence County Fair with Sean Peck (right), who oversees the fair's annual band day.)*