

Senator Ritchie Visits Elderly During Heat Wave

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Urging Central and Northern New Yorkers to think of elderly, home bound in current heat wave

State Senator Patty Ritchie visited several elderly residents in her hometown of Heuvelton on Thursday, delivering ice cream and cold water to help them beat the heat.

"I've been urging residents of Central and Northern New York to check on their elderly neighbors to see how they are doing during the heat wave," Senator Ritchie said. "It's rare

when temperatures rise like this so it's important for everyone to look out for each other."

Heat is the number one, weather-related cause of injury and death, according to the national Weather Service. The NWS is continuing its Extreme Heat Watch for Oswego and Jefferson Counties through Thursday, as temperatures are expected to remain unusually high.