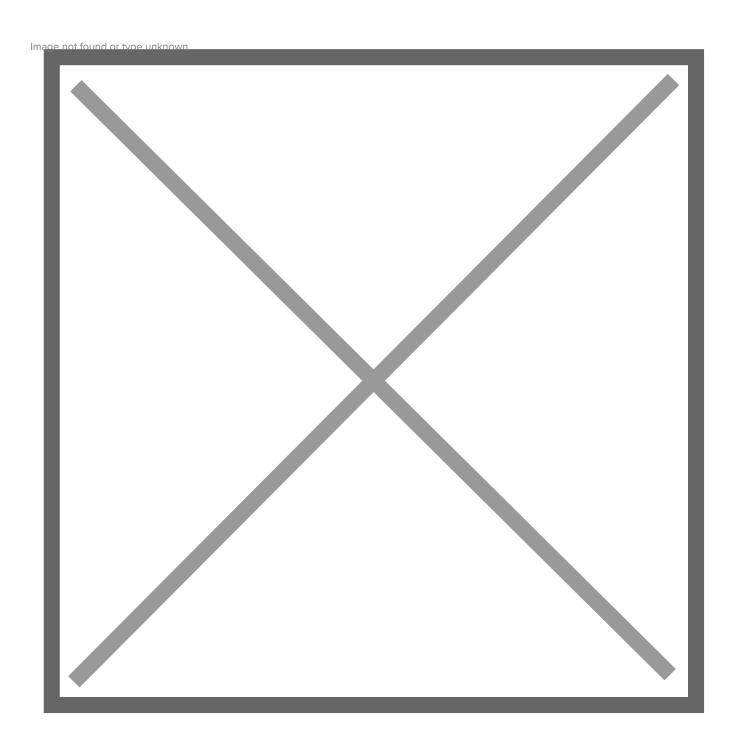


Ritchie Seeks Nominations for 2014 "Women of Distinction"

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Nominees to be Honored at Event on May $\mathbf{1}^{\mathrm{st}}$

State Senator Patty Ritchie is now accepting nominations for the New York State Senate's 2014 "Women of Distinction" program.

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The program honors women's history in the Empire State by recognizing outstanding leaders and everyday citizens from the present who are making a difference.

"Each and every day, women in our region are doing amazing things and throughout the years I've had the opportunity to recognize dozens of them through the New York State Senate's 'Women of Distinction' program," said Senator Ritchie. "I'm truly excited to once again honor the women of our region who are making a difference."

Women living in the 48th Senate District, including Oswego, Jefferson and St. Lawrence Counties are eligible for nomination. All nominees will be invited to a local recognition ceremony to be held on May 1st. One individual from each State Senate district will be selected to travel to the Capitol to be honored at a special reception on May 13th.

In addition to being recognized at the special ceremony at the Capitol, the honoree's photo and biography will become part of a display that travels across the state to bring attention to the achievements of distinctive New Yorkers.

Last year, 17 women from Central and Northern New York were nominated for the program. Of the nominees, Rhonda Lyn Roethel of St. Lawrence County was selected as the 48th Senate District's "Woman of Distinction," and became the 19th person recognized through the Senate program from the 48th Senate District.

Family, friends or coworkers can make nominations by clicking here or calling 782-3418. The deadline for nominations is April 1st.