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Patty Ritchie

## Ritchie Secures \$50,000 to Help Fund Rebuild of Clayton's "Wooden Castle Playground"

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State Senator Patty Ritchie has announced she has secured \$50,000 in special funding to help the Village of Clayton offset the costs associated with a playground being rebuilt in the Village.

“Situated on the beautiful St. Lawrence River, the Village of Clayton is a community loved by both tourists and local residents,” said Senator Ritchie. “This funding not only will help the municipality manage costs associated with improving the park, it will also give residents and visitors a new and improved family-friendly way to spend their time.”

“From a new hotel to new restaurants, Clayton has seen a number of improvements recently,” said Village Mayor Norma Zimmer. “Our park has been used by children and families for generations and we are

extremely grateful for the funding provided by Senator Ritchie, which will help us cover the costs of revitalizing and improving this fantastic community resource.”

This past spring, a major phase of the rebuilding of the park—also known as the “Wooden Castle Playground”—was completed thanks to donations from the community as well as volunteer labor provided by Fort Drum soldiers.

*(Senator Ritchie is pictured in the above photo with Village Mayor Norma Zimmer)*