



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR  
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## Ritchie Announces Renee Palmer as 2022 "Woman of Distinction"

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HONORING WOMEN IN NEW YORK

*Renee Palmer*

Nominated by Senator Ritchie for her commitment to bettering her community, Village of Heuvelton resident Renee Palmer has been named one of the New York State Senate's 2022 "Women of Distinction."

The New York State Senate launched its "Women of Distinction" program in 1998 to recognize the many contributions of women in New York State who have devoted themselves to their communities, excelled in their careers and inspired those around them to make a difference. Through the initiative, Senators from across New York State are able to select one woman from their district to be inducted into the program.

“Energetic, unselfish, generous and kind – these are just a few of the words fellow community members use to describe Renee Palmer,” said Senator Ritchie. “Her devotion to her hometown and desire to foster community spirit have truly made a difference in the lives of people throughout Heuvelton and it is my pleasure to honor her as a New York State Senate ‘Woman of Distinction.’”

Ms. Palmer’s community may be small, but thanks in part to her efforts it has big community spirit. Every year, Heuvelton hosts a Labor Day Celebration, complete with a parade, music, fireworks and more. Ms. Palmer is one of the lead organizers of this annual event that so many look forward to each and every year.

In addition to her involvement with the Heuvelton Labor Day Celebration, Ms. Palmer is also actively involved with numerous groups that work for the betterment of the community, including the Heuvelton Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary.

Ms. Palmer also gives of her time and talents to benefit the Heuvelton Central School District. One of her priorities is to make sure that students are recognized for their achievements. In doing so, she has been instrumental in ensuring high school seniors are acknowledged with special banners that are hung throughout the Village to congratulate them upon their graduations. In addition, Ms. Palmer also puts her camera skills to work by regularly capturing photos of athletes and their coaches for their families during Heuvelton Central School District athletic events.

Her desire to make a difference extends beyond her community involvement, as her career is also dedicated to helping others. Working as an ultrasonographer at Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center’s cardiology department, Ms. Palmer helps protect and improve the health of countless patients every year.