

Councilwoman Cartright Attends Bay Scallop Bowl at Stony Brook University

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Farmingville, NY – On February 3, Councilwoman Valerie M. Cartright (right) and County Legislator Kara Hahn (left) attended the Bay Scallop Bowl competition hosted by the School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences (SoMAS) at Stony Brook University. The event included 12 teams from across New York State competing for a chance to move on to the National Ocean Science Bowl, held in Colorado later this year. Mount Sinai High School defended their title as champions and are moving forward in the competition as New York representatives. The winners are ecstatic to be moving forward in the competition and for the winning prize of \$250 for each student. The runner-up, Huntington High School, won \$100 for their extraordinary effort in the competition and Massapequa High School, which came in third place, celebrated their placement with a trip to the Long Island Aquarium in Riverhead.

The Bay Scallop Bowl was created in conjunction with the National Ocean Sciences Bowl (NOSB) which has provided a forum for students to excel in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). Through this competition, the NOSB is motivating students to take an active interest in ocean science and technology, and exposes students to the idea of having a career in this field. Since the conception of the Bay Scallops Bowl in the New York region, the goal and the NOSB's mission has remained the same: to educate, create passion and to change the field.

"The students are not only utilizing their engineering knowledge and STEM education to win a competition, but these skills can take them further into their careers and create opportunities for them that will help change our community," said Councilwoman Cartright.

For more information about the Bay Scallop Bowl and how NOSB has been impacting the lives of students, please visit <https://you.stonybrook.edu/bayscallopbowl/>

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