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Grand Island Central School District Principal Mary Haggerty received a surprise retirement party from the Kaegebein Elementary School family Monday.

In keeping with social distancing restrictions in place, on Monday morning Haggerty was given a chauffeured ride in a convertible through the school's back parking lot where dozens of cars filled with the Kaegebein team she led since 2009 greeted her.

In the afternoon, Haggerty greeted students in a drive-thru reception line through the parking lot. Many of the vehicles were decorated with retirement wishes.

After her retirement ride, Haggerty said, "I really thought I was just going to walk out the back door on the 30th with my little bag of stuff and my roller cart and be all set, but you have all worked so hard and once again your creativity is perfectly clear in all of this."

"You are the people that I have grown to love and this is the thing that I've grown to love. And it does hurt a little bit to leave it and to leave you. But I know I'm leaving you in wonderful hands with Felicia (Pallaci) and that it will be even better as the years go by. Thank you all so much for this magic moment. It will live in my heart forever."

(Photos by Larry Austin)



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## Town partners with local agencies to address questions related to solar energy

The Town of Grand Island has partnered with two local agencies to provide a virtual, live presentation with a question and answer session about solar parks and community solar.

Golden Age Center Director Jennifer Menter, Councilwoman Jennifer Baney, Councilman Thomas Digati, University at Buffalo Regional Institute clean energy coordinator Jason Kulaszewski, and PUSH Buffalo Program Assistant Lou DeJesus have been collaborating to bring a seminar to Grand Island residents. This seminar stemmed

from inquiries from residents about solar parks and the desire of residents to know more about community solar plans.

"As public officials, we get a lot of inquiries, and I frequently hear from residents wanting to know more about their options to buy into existing community solar," said Baney. "I reached out to some experts in the field that we have worked with before, so that our residents can feel educated and informed about solar projects that are happening in their community. There will be a focus on consumer protection and

how to determine if a company is reputable, which was a very important component to me."

"I look forward to joining forces with PUSH Buffalo and the Town of Grand Island and learning more about solar energy with the senior population," said Menter. "Learning how solar energy works, how to be more energy efficient, how to reduce energy consumption, and how to share this information through this virtual platform is an exciting and interactive way to learn about this popular energy source. I look forward to this presentation

and this partnership."

"UBRI is happy to support efforts on Grand Island to educate residents about the benefits of solar energy," said Kulaszewski. "The town has been a local leader in solar development, and this event will continue to build on the success of previous educational campaigns like 2018's Solarize Grand Island that helped Grand Island become a designated clean energy community."

The seminar will take place at 2 p.m. on June 30. Residents can join the interactive session by logging into the Solar Energy

Zoom Meeting at the following direct link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89856153493?pwd=T08xdllpVWpCQzZM0NjJHQm1sZVZp-dz09>. The Meeting ID is 898 5615 3493 and the Passcode is 025688. Residents can also call in to listen to the meeting and ask follow-up questions at the following phone number: 1-646-558-8656 and entering the Meeting ID.

The meeting will be livestreamed and available for later viewing at the Town of Grand Island YouTube page. Questions can be directed to Baney at 622-9006.

## GRAND ISLAND FIRE CO. CALL SUMMARY

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- tion)/envenomations (stings, bites).
- 11:29 p.m., Whitehaven Road, alarm.
- 11:29 p.m., East River Road, electrical hazard.
- 11:36 p.m., Grand Island Boulevard, still alarm.
- 11:42 p.m., Fix Road, electrical hazard.
- 11:53 p.m., East River Road, citizen assist/service call.

### Wednesday, June 3

- 12:07 a.m., West Oakfield Road, electrical hazard.
- 12:16 a.m., Hennepin Road, gas leak/gas odor.

- 12:49 a.m., Ferry Road, electrical hazard.
- 12:50 a.m., Westwood Drive, electrical hazard.
- 2:09 a.m., West River Road, citizen assist/service call.
- 2:40 a.m., Fix Road, silent alarm.
- 5:09 a.m., Fix Road, unknown problem (man down).
- 6:37 a.m., Cottagewood Lane, officer call.
- 7:32 a.m., Legion Drive, electrical hazard.
- 9:35 a.m., Colonial Drive, falls.
- 9:44 a.m., Grand Island Boulevard, convulsion/seizure.
- 10:18 a.m., Fareway Lane, breathing problems.

- 12:57 p.m., Grand Island Boulevard, alarm.
- 1:35 p.m., Baseline Road, falls.
- 2:06 p.m., Ransom Road, pandemic/epidemic/outbreak (surveillance or triage).
- 5:18 p.m., Grand Island Boulevard, chest pain/chest discomfort (not traumatic).
- 5:39 p.m., Stony Point Road, diabetic problem.
- 7:03 p.m., Revere Road, electrical hazard.

### Thursday, June 4

- 11:30 a.m., Regency Drive, inaccessible incident/other entrapment (not traffic).
- 11:50 a.m., Dolphin Drive, falls.

- 3:13 p.m., Revere Road, alarm.
- 4:11 p.m., Whitehaven Road, unknown problem (man down).

### Friday, June 5

- 1:17 p.m., Town Hall Terrace, citizen assist/service call.
- 3:13 p.m., Carl Road, sick person.
- 3:45 p.m., Bedell Road, unknown problem (man down).
- 4:13 p.m., Bedell Road, breathing problems.
- 5:06 p.m., Greenway Road, officer call.
- 6:15 p.m., Bedell Road, chest pain/chest discomfort (not traumatic).

### Saturday, June 6

- 2:33 a.m., Continental Lane, hemorrhage/laceration.
- 1:44 p.m., Buckhorn State Park water/ice/mud rescue.
- 2:36 p.m., Niagara water intake water/ice/mud rescue.
- 9:08 p.m., East River Road, sick person.
- 10:59 p.m., Town Hall Terrace, falls.

### Sunday, June 7

- 2:31 a.m., Baseline Road, breathing problems.
- 9:35 a.m., Long Road, breathing problems.
- 3:04 p.m., Pin Oak Circle, sick person.