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Where mail: Deciphering Lake Country's unique mailing addresses

Coordinate system helps cut confusion

By Kelly Smith Special to The Freeman

DELAFIELD — Tom and Jennifer Stuber live in the Town of Genesee, but say they are from Delafield because it is their mailing address. Their mail is delivered from the Delafield post office.

Beth and Errol Schulter live in Summit, but they tell are from people they Oconomowoc.

Their mail is delivered from the Oconomowoc post office.

There are about 5,500 people in the 53701 ZIP Code in Waukesha and Washington counties and many of them say they are from Colgate because it is their mailing address

Yet, Colgate is barely a wide spot on Highway Q in the Town of the Lisbon where about a half-dozen houses surround a nearly 150-year-old post office.

Near the intersection of Ainsworth and Winkelman roads, there are a few homeowners who live in the Town of Merton even though their backyards abut Hartland's border.

Their mailing address is Sussex because the mail is delivered from the Sussex post office because the nearby village of Merton post office does not deliver mail.

Patrons of the Merton post office pick up their mail at the downtown location.

Understanding the system of this confusion, local offi-

alphanumerical addressing system used exclusively in the 18 municipalities in the Lake Country and the remainder of rural Waukesha County.

The north, south and west coordinate system predates the ZIP Code, ignores municipal boundaries, and has survived the urbanization of the world's most productive dairy land.

The address system is believed to be the only one of its kind in United States, although it is not used in the metropolitan areas of the county such as Brookfield, Waukesha and New Berlin.

Each home or business has an address with a N or an S designating north or south and a W designating west.

Letters are followed by numbers identifying where that property is located on a grid.

For example, N57-W27170 means the address is 57 grid sections, each about a quarter-mile long, north of a zero point in downtown Milwaukee.

It is 271 grid sections west of a zero line extending from the Milwaukee River.

The 70 means it is the seventh property on the western grid line. "Often, I get asked why not

just eliminate everything except the house number and street name," said Don Dittmer who has spent years working with the system.

"That won't work," he added, "because you need In order to cut through all the north or south coordinate along with the west

cials have adopted a unique coordinate to find your location.'

Dittmer spent 21 years as the Land Information System manager for Waukesha County and 14 years as geographic specialist for the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission.

He wrote his master's thesis on using the ZIP Code system in land use analysis; handy information to have when discussing addresses, street names and municipal boundaries in Waukesha County.

Some benefits

Dittmer acknowledges the alphanumerical address system can be confusing.

However, it helps emergency responders and delivery people find locations in Lake Country.

"It works great because you don't need to know the street or what municipality you are in. All you have to do is cross hair the north or south coordinate by the west coordinate and you will find the location you are looking for," said Lisbon Fire Chief Doug Brahm.

The system was created by the Planning and Development Committee of the Waukesha County Board in 1956 and 1957.

At the time, rural roads were assigned route numhelp mailmen deliver the said. mail

However, route numbers did not help people making deliveries or service calls, sought the advice according to a committee Ambrose Ryder of Mahopac,



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The nearly 150-year-old Colgate post office, surrounding by about a half dozen homes on Highway Q in the Town of Lisbon, is the mailing address for more than 5,000 people in Washington and Waukesha counties who live in the 53701 ZIP code.

report.

"Telephone, electric and other utility service men have had great difficulty in locating trouble spots and prompt attention is frequently not possible particularly in the time of storms or

A little history

Waukesha County officials

of

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N.Y., who was developing an alphanumerical address grid for his hometown.

Dittmer does not know how or why the county contacted Ryder.

"All of the people in the county who might be able to answer that question are probably gone," Dittmer explained.

Shortly after the rural municipalities began to

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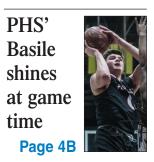


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Nuts and bolts of a community — and more

Family-owned hardware stores provide friendly services, tools to do the job

By Chris Bennett Special to The Freeman

DELAFIELD — When all else fails, your local hardware likely won't, and that's how Adam Hahn tries to get his employees to view their job.

or going down the road to cessful at it." one of the big boxes."

wonago and Hartford.

"It's easy to do business relationships. with us," Burchardt said. "We can act faster on any teach hardware, but you with the purchase of the his employees is going on special requests, and the have to have the right peo- Delafield store and again 50 years with the store and owner of that business is ple to start." in that town, generating The locally owned hard- of the Mukwonago store. have been there for 10-15 dollars that stay in the ware is a staple of any Burchardt's community.

and Ace Hardware are Americana that is being after it opened. Bur- said many members of the titans of the American gradually lost to online chardt's father started Hahn workforce count retail landscape. Where shopping and big-box working for the last of the more than 15 years at their the two differ from larger retail outlets. ship.



Jeff Burchardt, owner of Lorleberg True Value Hardware in Oconomowoc, said locally owned hardware stores offer convenience.

Submitted photo

time," Hahn said. "It might get everything they need ager. be the difference between with one trip, have the "It was one of my their stores more appealturning in our parking lot right products and be suc- father's first jobs out of ing than a big box. Ace and

Hahn is the second gen- in retail at Target's corpo- all the things that go along power, and both Burchardt eration of family owner- rate headquarters in Min- with it — working closely and Hahn said they are ship at Hahn Ace Hard- neapolis and returned to with your customers, competitive on price and ware. The family owns the area when his parents knowing people personally, outstanding on service. stores in Delafield, Muk- expanded their hardware and being heavily involved Both stores rent tools empire.

leberg True Value Hard- son," Hahn said of the the things that drove them small engines, cut keys, reware in Oconomowoc, and hardware business. "Some- to ultimately own a hard- key locks, repair and build points to the factor of con- one who wants to interact ware store." venience provided by local- with customers day in and Perry and his wife, Bar- and cut and thread pipe, ly owned hardware stores. day out and develop those bara, bought the Hartford among a multitude of

"Nine out of 10 times to work at a place to help Adam's father — started owned the store since 1999. might not be good enough people and help them feel working at the store in the Both Burchardt and if we don't meet that cus- good about their projects," late 1970s, and quickly Hahn said they believe tomer's expectations every Burchardt said. "They can worked his way up to man- their seasoned staffs and

high school, and he really True Value both carry con-Hahn previously worked found a passion for it and siderable

Jeff Burchardt owns Lor- "It takes a unique per- said. "Those are some of sharpen knives, repair

store in 1999. The Hahn duties. "We always say we can empire expanded in 2013 Burchardt said one of in 2015 with the purchase said many of his managers father years. town and evokes thoughts bought Lorleberg True Hahn True Value Hardware and memories of a slice of Value in 1970 - 100 years chardt's sentiment and Lorleberg family at age 15. stores.

competitors such as Hahn's oldest store is the In 1958 - three years after Hahn Ace Hardware is Lowe's, Menards or Home family's Hartford outlet, the founding of True Value on the web at hahnhard-Depot is in local owner- and opened in 1870 under — Burchardt's father ware.com. Lorleberg is the operation of George signed up to be part of the online at http://www.lor-"Every day I get to come Hess. Perry Hahn — chain. Jeff Burchardt has leberg.com.

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in the community," Adam and other equipment, screens, cut and fix glass

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Country Springs Hotel renovations underway

Ballrooms, fitness room revamped and updated

By Chris Bennett Special to The Freeman

ownership, the goal is to renovations and an even-

This summer, the Coun- time. try Springs Hotel will moniker and will instead and are being executed to be renamed and rebranded as The Ingleside Hotel.

Tiffany fireplace. The new name is the process. meant to evoke a feeling of coziness.

ing to it.'

property to the Waukesha Hospitality LLC — an affiliate of the Minneapolis-WAUKESHA — As the based Burwell Enterpris-Country Springs Hotel is es, Inc. — was announced transformed under its new in November. Plans for make it warmer, friendli- tual name change were er, and even more inviting. announced at the same

cease to be known by that erty are well underway rooms as well."

"They're updating it to make sure updated décor. "The whole message — we're providing wonderthe whole branding mes- ful, renovated space with now boasts more than sage — is comfort and the same service people 40,000 square feet of newly warmth," Woodward said. have come to expect," renovated meeting space. "There's that natural feel- Woodward said. "The The guest rooms and ballproperty has so many rooms were updated to According to published perks. It's neat to see that look fresh and natural.

reports, the sale of the updated, fresh new look The white base of color in

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"The whole message the whole branding message — is comfort and warmth. There's that natural feeling to it."

- Tiffany Woodward, director of marketing and water park sales at the Country Springs

Woodward said renovaupdate the facilities and tions will likely continue rebrand the property in in the coming years, but Woodward, the wake of its sale. The also said the ballrooms director of marketing and Gettys Group, which is and a section of guest water park sales at the based in Chicago and is a rooms are already done. Country Springs, said hotel design and develop- Woodward said she's held "ingle" is a synonym for ment firm, is overseeing photo shoots in both the new guest rooms and balllooking at room to highlight the

The Country Springs

not only for the guest The Country Springs now boasts more than 40,000 square Renovations at the prop- rooms but the meeting feet of newly renovated meeting space, which was updated to look fresh and natural.



The first wing of renovated guest rooms should be available to Country Springs Hotel guests by the end of the month.

the ballrooms allows hosting to communicate to our newlyweds receptions a neutral guests all the changes happalette from which to pening. We're getting a lot decorate. of positive feedback.

The new owners of The remainder of the property also renovations this year call the updated the wireless for the restaurant and internet and audio- lobby to be refreshed and visual equipment. renovated.

The plan for renovating the guest rooms is Restaurant will start in to take them out of ser- early summer and hopefulvice in wings, renovate ly be complete sometime the rooms on that in July. The restaurant wing, and put them will be renamed Didi's, back in service. The which Woodward said is in plan allows for guest honor of the new owners' rooms to continue to be childhood nanny. The available during reno- lobby will be renovated at vation. Woodward said the same time. staff at the Country Springs is excited to be vations — of new colors getting the first wing of and spaces, of new trim guest rooms back in and paint - what will

month. Springs when it becomes "I think the guests The Ingleside Hotel are have really enjoyed the people who make the some of the renova- property work. tions as they take place," Woodward said. ly saw a property where a 'They already get to lot of the staff have been experience a brand- here for years," Woodward new fitness center, and said. ballrooms the are

"It's a great team, and a great location."

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Hayden said GYMGUYZ is

Ex-NFLer Hayden, friend team up for personal fitness house calls

By Chris Bennett Special to The Freeman

den and Benji Rossman have working out at the gym." modest goals for their new business endeavor.

They want to change lives. Hayden and Rossman, both graduates of Arrowhead Mention All-Big Ten honors GYMGUYZ in a Greater and 2007. Waukesha County-based territory later this month.

Rossman owns Bronzer Image Tanning, which operates out of locations in Wales and Hartland. Hayden recently retired after a nine-year- Bengals, Dallas Cowboys and tomized for your fitness needs career as a defensive end in Cleveland the NFL.

Hayden's wife, Melania — pronounced "Muh-LAY-Na" is also involved and is spearheading marketing.

business is my background in daughters, Hayden decided it never get bored, and you'll the NFL," Nick Hayden said. was time to get back to work. never plateau.' "My best friend from high GYMGUYZ is the result. school, Benji, and I decided

we should go in on something together.

"I knew my wife had a fit-HARTLAND — Nick Hay- ness background, just from does so by focusing on three

Hayden played football at nient, customized and crethe University of Wisconsin ative workouts. after graduating from Arrowhead. He earned Honorable being mobile," Hayden said. High School, are launching as a defensive lineman in 2005 going towards in the future mobile business.'

The Carolina Panthers drafted Hayden in the sixth Hayden and Rossman and round of the 2008 NFL Draft their trainers are convenient following his time at Wiscon- because the red van shows up sin, and a nine-year career at your home. with the Panthers, Cincinnati Browns com- and are creative because of menced.

Hayden's NFL career came equipment packed in the back to an end when he released by of the GYMGUYZ red van. the Browns on Aug. 29, 2016.

"The reason I got in the with Melania and their two same," Hayden said. "You'll

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Friends since their Arrowhead High School days, former NFL player Nick Hayden, left, and Benji Rossman are teaming up with a GYMGUYZ franchise, with plans to bring workouts to people in their homes.

After taking time off to be one workout will be the get someone big and bulky. ing a gym. The workouts are focused on interval training, core conditioning and some strength training.

> ety of equipment, including mented. Motivation wanes, dumbbells, kettle bells, battle and those who want to get fit 60 pounds since he retired ropes, resistance bands, box devise a multitude of excuses jumps and a bench to help to avoid working out. clients reach their fitness goals.

level of accountability not you into shape. typically available by attend-

Year's resolution and stop The red van carries a vari- the phenomenon is well-docu- time during the day.'

It is tough to avoid account- ed to a culture of fitness. ability when the gym shows-As for fitness goals, Hayden up at your house, at a prede- at 262-701-7200, on Facebook mentioned the mobile plat- termined time, and a trainer by form of GYMGUYZ offers a is locked and loaded to whip Greater Waukesha County, "The biggest thing is hold- www.gymguyz.com.

ing them accountable to Many people sign up for a reach their fitness goals,' gym membership as a New Hayden said. "That's the toughest thing for anyone. going by Valentine's Day, and Life is hard — it's hard to get

> Hayden said he's dropped from the NFL, and he, his wife and Rossman are devot-

> GYMGUYZ can be reached searching GYMGUYZ and on the web at

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WALES — The Wales-Gene- them would be unlikely are used to find fire hot spots an anonymous donation for apiece. \$20,000 just before Christmas Moon said

that you would like to replace with instructions to provide Moon said. that you don't have money receipts for tax purposes. budgeted for, what would you pick?" Moon said.

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When Moon spoke to the before, ever," Moon said. "So, you're in," Moon said. "Who-

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see Fire Department received because they cost \$10,000 that are buried or otherwise not visible on the surface. A few weeks later, the fire Moon said. The cameras are last year, Fire Chief Jim department received a check also used in rollover crashes in the mail for \$20,000, but to locate occupants who may Moon said he received a call Moon couldn't believe it. He have been ejected from the one day from a man who said the check looked like one vehicle. The department's asked how he could donate. of those soliciting fake two new cameras have a The man asked: "If you could checks in the mail, but it was longer battery life, higher respick something right now from a Milwaukee trust fund olution and a greater range,

> "Budgets are tight for "We have never received a everybody in the fire service donation of this magnitude for whatever municipality

> > – Brandon Anderegg, Freeman Staff

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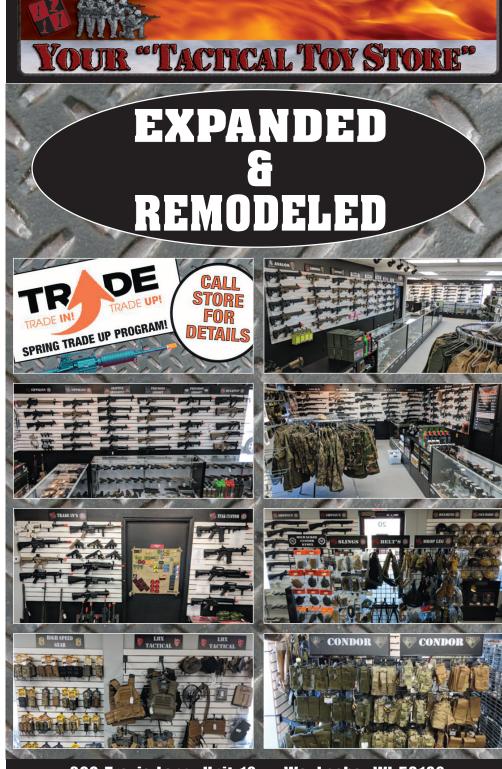


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Collectibles preserve impressions of Easter



Q.: Please give me a value on my great-grandma's chocolate mold. – W.A., Waukesha

A.: Childhood Easter memories include chocolate bunnies, but results molds that have a higher from antique clamp-molds value: rabbits with baskets often disappointed.This type of double mold was used by candy shops in late 19th and early 20th centuries. Usually a professional chocolatier was needed along with precisely portioned recipes to produce perfect results. Today, similar examples are being used only for decorative purposes.

double-standing This mold has the protected base and heavy snap spring-clip closures. Only minor rust appears; value could be higher if your mold is embossed with an American or European became manufacturer's mark. Value on your hinged candy mold is \$145.

Timeline

1890: Molds were made of sheet-steel alloys - rust claimed most 1940: The industry moved to nickel-clad steel 1960: Thermoplastic proved to produce better details

1980: Plastic dominated

There are over 100 vintage, figurative styles of chocolate molds. Here are a few examples of the large on their back, Kewpie doll, Charlie Chaplin, trains, bears and double hearts.

* * *

Q.: I was charmed by this Easter basket centerpiece as a child and still use it on my Easter dinner table. My grandchildren have loved it. Did everybody keep such things?

- Bev, Brookfield

A.: Many tried, but poor storage conditions became their holiday and event styles and qualities. Today the demise. In the mid-20th paper goods were not sim- one can find faux gemdemand product. The Beistle Manufacturers, Ship-



premier supplier of quality to become fashionable in paper decorations. Most of the 1960s with new designs, flat for storage and couldn't get enough of them.

Wedding bells pink versions of this basket have been found. The bunny and flowers are printed card stock, the basket and eggs expand into a dimensional honeycomb. is in excellent condition and has a modest value of **\$28.00.** The sentimental family value might rate up there with other family heirlooms.

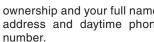
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Patrick Endter, owner of Endter's Sports Grill, said the Lake Country Beer Garden has, in a sense, revived Nixon Park. Many people told him that they had grown up in Hartland and hadn't been to the park in years, he said.

Lake Country Beer Garden returns to Nixon Park

By Brandon Anderegg banderegg@conleynet.com 262-513-2657

HARTLAND — The Lake here to stay. Country Beer Garden will Nixon Park in Hartland four said they hadn't been there September.

Village The approved plans submitted by said Endter. "It just really Patrick Endter, owner of brought the community back from community members Endter's Sports Grill, to to the park." open a beer garden in the park Thursday to Sunday, May 24 to Sept. 30 — eight beer garden concept to Hartweeks longer than last year's land after frequenting varibeer garden season, Endter ous beer gardens around that the Lake Country Beer said. The village and Endter Milwaukee County, includnow have a four-year con- ing Estabrook Park's, which tract for the beer garden, Vil- he calls the flagship of beer lage Administrator David gardens — one of the first in Cox said.

Lake Country Beer Garden added that Nixon Park has a will be open from 4 p.m. to 9 lot of the same elements as that we like about it is that it p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays and noon until 9 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, Endter said. Draft beer will tion within a neighborhood be available in 29-ounce and and a playground for kids. one-pint steins. Patrons will also have the choice of wine Estabrook Park, we were just and soft drinks with food blown away by what was options that include popcorn, pretzels, burgers, brats and more.

debut in Nixon Park last lar venue." year and was the first per-

"The number of people performing, ranging return for a second year to that came to the park that genre. days a week, May through in years, that said they grew up in Hartland and had the community Board stopped coming to the park,'

Endter said he came up southeastern Wisconsin. He land. Estabrook such as the water feature with the Nixon Pond and the Bark River, its loca-

"The first time we visited going on there," Endter said. were doing, we felt that The beer garden made its Nixon Park was a very simi-

manent beer garden in goes, Endter intends to haul revenue fund, Cox said.

Waukesha County, Endter out yard games like Giant said. After hearing all the Jenga and bag toss, which positive feedback from last patrons really enjoyed last year, he knew the garden was year, he said. The park will also have variety of bands in

A positive for

Cox said he has mostly heard positive feedback and village officials, as well as the Hartland Police with the idea to the bring the Department, which has not seen an uptick in incidents around the park. He added Garden brings people from all over Waukesha County, giving them a chance to explore downtown Hart-

"I think one of the things brings people into the downtown for some recreational enjoyment and then they have the opportunity to head over to a restaurant or do something different in the downtown," said Cox.

Cox added that the village does receive additional rev-"When we saw what they enue from the beer garden operation. Last year, the village received \$5,500 and this vear. \$9.5000, all of which As far as entertainment will be placed in the general



Changing of the guard in Delafield

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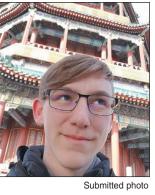
DELAFIELD - Mayor Michele DeYoe, right, administers the oath of office to newly appointed City Clerk Michele Luedtke on April 2. It was Luedtke's first appearance before the Common Council and DeYoe's last. DeYoe did not seek re-election and Kent Attwell was elected Delafield's mayor April 3. Luedtke was appointed to replace Sarah Bruckman, who resigned in November to become clerk in Shorewood.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT UWW student has sights set on becoming a plastic surgeon

WAUKESHA — The University of Wisconsin-Waukesha student spotlight for the month of April shines on 19vear-old Anthony Cattani of Delafield. A current biology major, he hopes to one day help others by becoming a plastic surgeon and finishing medical school.

"Plastic surgery has always fascinated me, and I hope that I can make others feel more confident in their bodies and give them the appearance they always wanted," Cattani said.

Besides studying hard, Cattani encourages new students to get involved on cam- ner. Outside UW-Waukesha, talk. Over the last winter pus and not be afraid to take he mentors Kettle Moraine break, he and his cousin took risks. He is the president of High School's Laser Robotics a life-changing trip to China, the Activity Coordination Team 2077 and is an associ- which Cattani has always Team, which is in charge of ate trainer at Panera Bread. dreamed of. planning fun campus events.



UW-Waukesha student Anthony Cattani in China because of it. during winter break.

He also advises students to He is also treasurer of the take advantage of on-cam- I have still grown as a person Student Government Associ- pus resources, such as aca- and will never regret it,' ation and runs cross country demic advising and tutoring. said Cattani. in the fall. Cattani holds a job He says while many people on campus at the coffee cor- are afraid of failure and

never take a chance on starting something new, he has learned from his and become a stronger, better person.

"For my first semester I have taken the risk to apply for an SGA position with no guarantee of winning, and now I am working closely with the UW System merger as a result," Cattani said.

He added that he also enrolled in a more substantial class load for his first semester and was accepted into the Honor Society

When it comes to taking risks, Cattani isn't just all

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Eagle Scout candidate Sullivan looks to give back to Hartland

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HARTLAND — At the March 12 Village Board meeting, 15-year-old Boy Scout and Eagle Scout candidate Jack Sullivan of Troop 224 presented his Eagle Scout project, which is an informational kiosk to be located at the Centennial Park in Hartland.

people to get information ation Department, but he about upcoming park events and Ice Age Trail," said Sullivan.

of a plexiglass-covered ever, the board was hesitant message board, an asphalt because shingled roof supported recently lost a majority of with cedar two-by-fours his funding. that are encased with "Initially, I had the entire cement and two back-to- concrete part donated and back benches, Sullivan unfortunately, I lost that said. He added that the donation due to some kiosk would cost between unforeseen \$1,200 and \$1,500 and the stances," Sullivan said. concrete would cost \$1,600 "That has kind of left me in for a total of \$3,100.

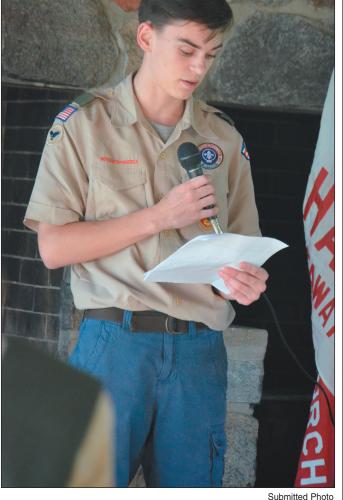
Delafield attending school in Hart- part of the project." land in sixth grade, said Sullivan admitted that changing schools provided the kiosk was hefty as far him with an experience as Eagle Scout projects go unlike anything else. He and both he and the village said the kiosk project began exploring cost-cutserved two purposes — giv- ting options, like removing ing back to a community he the roof or having a smalldeeply appreciated and er concrete slab at the base.

helping out an organization like the Ice Age Trail Alliance that has done so much for him and his family over the years.

"It's just a really great community and I wanted to give back just based on the really good experience I had there at the school," Sullivan said.

Sullivan's Eagle Scout project was approved by the "It would be an area for Hartland Parks and Recrewent before the Village Board to see if they would approve his project and The kiosk would consist even provide funding. How-Sullivan had

circuma little bit of a pinch as far Sullivan, who lives in as getting this done but started because that's a pretty big



Troop 224 Boy Scout and Eagle Scout candidate Jack Sullivan of Delafield emcees a Boy Scout badge ceremony last spring.

Village offers guidance

Pfannerstill said he would project and said the village cheaper project and more lunch for the workers. donations because the taxpayer's dollar is at stake.

hesitation," Pfannerstill chips and soda with Troop said. "It's not that the vil- 224 on June 10 at the Piggly lage is saying they don't Wiggly at 1300 Brown St. in like the project or they're Oconomowoc and on June 3 against anything you're at the Piggly Wiggly on doing, and I hope you 505 Cottonwood Ave. in understand that."

Fire Chief Dave Dean may to donate, email Beth Sullibe able to provide the con- van at bsullivanhcs@ crete for the project. But gmail.com.

Sullivan said his biggest Hartland President Jeff hurdle is finding concrete workers to help teach like to support Sullivan's Troop 224 how to lay the foundation for the kiosk. could fund up to \$2,000, but Sullivan added that the that he would like to see Hartland Business District Sullivan come back in a has donated \$300, which he month with a plan for a has set aside to provide

In the meantime, Sullivan hopes to raise \$1,000 by sell-"That's where you see the ing brats, hamburgers, Hartland.

Sullivan said Hartland For more information or



A Lake Country mailbox illustrates the unique alphanumerical address system used in rural Waukesha County.

Addresses From Page 1A

implement the county's new addressing system, the U.S. Postal Service launched the Zone Improvement Plan (ZIP) Code.

By 1963, a five-digit code had been assigned to every alphanumeric address in Lake Country.

"The locations and assignments of ZIP Codes were determined by the operational needs of the postal service," explained Hargadon. Sean а spokesman for the postal service.

"Because ZIP Codes are based on the location of delivery post offices, the boundaries often do not correspond to municipal or perceived community boundaries," he added.

For example, the 53017 ZIP Code for Colgate stretches almost 16 miles from Germantown in Washington County to Monches in Waukesha County.

The 53018 Delafield ZIP Code area is 14 miles long. "Back in 1963, the county was mostly cows and chickens," quipped local historian Fred Keller. "We were known as Cow County, USA.

However, Keller explained there was evidence of a pending population boom.

Farmers were beginning sell off parcels of their land where homes could be built.

Plans were being made to expand to four lanes Highway 16, which linked the region to Milwaukee and Madison.

A changing county

During the next four decades, high-end housing developments replaced the cows and municipal boundaries expanded.

The building boom exacerbated an already confusing road system replete with county highways with multiple names.

County highways are designated by alphabetical letters. However, as a county roads passes through a town, city or village, the local government can place a name on that road such as Main Street, Genesee Street, or Wisconsin Avenue, said Ken Hendricks of the county highway department.

For example, Highway KE has three different names — North Shore Drive, Jungbluth Road and Winkleman Road — as it travels northeast from Highway 83 to the village of Merton.

There are six different names or alphabetical designations for four roads at an intersection of the village of Merton.

The alphanumerical address system cuts through the confusion, said, Dittmer who explained there were two other regions in the United State who used a similar system.

However, they have abandoned the system, which means Waukesha County's north and south by west addresses are the most unique in the country.

'There are some people who don't like it. But the pizza delivery guys love it," Dittmer concluded.



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Pewaukee's Basile is prime-time at game time

Senior had big game in sectional final, barely cleared to play

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PEWAUKEE — Moments before the biggest game of his high school career, Grant Basile wasn't sure if he'd even be able to play.

"If there was ever a game-time decision, this was it," Pewaukee boys basketball coach, and Grant's father. Mike Basile said.

The 6-foot-9 senior forward badly sprained his ankle near the end of a classic sectional semifinal matchup against Whitnall two nights before, a game the Pirates emerged from with a 60-59 victory.

Basile still finished the game, outdueling Kentucky recruit Tyler Herro with a game-high 29 points. But his status for the sectional final against Milwaukee Washington was very much in doubt.

"The night before it was probably a 1 percent chance (of playing)," Mike said. "When it got to game day that morning, there was probably a 20 percent chance. He couldn't even walk on it the day before. I thought we'd tape it up and try to get through warmups, and when he got out there he was just going to limp and not be effective, so I'd have to pull him out after the first couple minutes.

"I didn't want to take it away from him being a senior.'

Grant went to the doctor the day after suffering the injury. She said his chances of playing didn't look good.

"But if I could pass a functional test ... it was just icing, elevating and staying off it for those next 36 hours," Grant said. "So I came to the game and sort of passed the test. I did what I needed to do. I didn't pass it with flying colors, but it wasn't going to get much worse if I played on it.

Father and son sat down together in the locker room moments before Pewaukee took the floor at West Allis Central High School.

"We talked about what I was going to do," Grant said. "I wasn't going to sit out that big of a game. I wanted to go out and play for my teammates and everyone rooting for us. There was a lot of adrenaline.

"It wasn't my best game but I went out there and gave it my all."

Wasn't his best? Try 32 points and 15 rebounds.

Truth be told, it wasn't, which should say everything that needs to be said about Basile. That gutsy performance against Milwaukee Washington simply put a stamp on his incredible senior season as

Boys Basketball Player of the Year.

"I use that term being a warrior I believe he really gutted that one out," Mike said. "He's a tough-

nosed kid and I couldn't be more proud of him ' The father-son dynamic is nothing new in high school basketball, but it was a balance the Basiles were able to strike during Grant's time playing under his father at Pewaukee.

"It's not easy to walk the fathercoach line, and it's substantially tougher when the son happens to be the best player on the team," New Berlin Eisenhower coach Scott Witt said. "But the Basiles seemingly handled it extremely well."

The coach and father in this situation, Mike Basile acknowledged that he was harder on his son at times. That only seemed to have a positive impact in the long run for Grant.

"I think the one positive of me being tough on him, it made him tougher," Mike said. "There wasn't a lot of things that would get to him on the court. With me getting on him, he was able to put that aside and play through things. I think that made him a tougher individual and better leader.

"His season was fantastic. Mv criticisms were nit-picky to say the least.

Basile put himself on the map in just the fourth game of the season when he set school records with 49 points and 23 rebounds against Milwaukee Vincent. In Pewaukee's first showdown with Whitnall in a clash of Woodland champions, he posted 33 points in a 75-72 loss.

After the game, Grant said they would see Herro and the Falcons again in the postseason.

Indeed they did.

'We'd been playing all those guys since we were in fourth or fifth grade, so that was cool to be able to play them on that big of a stage,' Grant said. "The second time it was still packed. The hype surrounding the game was incredible. Pewaukee had a lot of people that used to go here come out and support us, so it was really cool to see the community rally around a high school team."

Basile went off for 29 points and tied his own school record with 23 rebounds, helping Pewaukee reach the sectional final and surpassing 1,000 career points in the process.

With under a minute left. Basile turned his ankle, but still managed to score the go-ahead basket after pulling down an offensive rebound with 17.3 seconds remaining.

"From a team aspect, it was pret-

Basile was named the All-Freeman ty cool to make a run like we did," Grant said. "Obviously the goal was to get to Madison and that didn't quite work out, but it was fun to go out there and play. It was the last time I'll play with a lot of guys I was playing with since fifth or sixth grade.

The postseason accolades rolled in for Basile. He was a unanimous WBCA Division 2 All-State selection and Woodland West Player of the Year, while also being voted second team All-State by The Associated Press.

All that for a player who entered his senior season with just 392 points.

"He was in the gym and in the weight room religiously from the time (his junior season) ended," Mike said. "AAU basketball was a huge impact, but getting his body right was the main thing. Adding strength brought on confidence and really propelled him to get where he is now.

Basile saw a massive jump in production, averaging 24.8 points, 13.7 rebounds and three blocks per game, while shooting a preposterous 67 percent from the field.

'I've never had a kid shoot at that high of a percentage," Mike said. 'He wanted the ball in crunch time. He begged for the ball. He was pretty demanding of his play out there. It was very exciting to coach when you have a guy with his skill set to demand the ball, especially in the crucial times down the stretch.

'I remember getting on him for some shots, and at the end of the game he'd only have one or two misses. Looking back, it's kind of crazy to get on him when you look at his numbers.'

Pewaukee lost just three games all year, the first of which came in a high-scoring affair against Eisenhower after beginning the season 12-0.

"We were fortunate enough to beat Pewaukee at their place the first time around, helped greatly by him fouling out, but you could tell when they came to our place for the rematch that he was a man on a mission," Witt said of Grant. "I thought that he showed tremendous growth not only his skills but in his competitive maturity over the course of the season.

Witt had high praise for not only the type of competitor Grant was, but also his level of character.

"Grant is a dynamic offensive player, a good rim protector, and a strong rebounder," Witt said. "But perhaps the highest praise I can give Grant is that he is a class act on and off the floor. He earned every

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Pewaukee senior Grant Basile shoots during a sectional final against Milwaukee Washington. Basile was selected as the 2017-18 All-Freeman Boys Basketball Player of the Year.

one of these awards with his basketball ability, but he did it with class and humility. That's becoming more and more rare in this day and age.'

Grant knows a lot of people played a role in Pewaukee's memorable 2017-18 season, and he's the first to tell you about it.

"Every game no matter what it was, it wasn't always, 'I need to go out and dominate and score,' Grant said. "It was sometimes getting teammates the ball, kind of whatever the job was as long as we got the win."

Senior teammate Jack Gohlke, an honorable mention All-State pick in his own right, gave the Pirates a crippling inside-out combination as he shot 42 percent from 3 while scoring 16.6 points per game.

"Jack did a great job of this, too," Grant said. "He brought a lot of attention. We knew we had guys around us that were ready to go. I thought we did a really good job of that as two of the leaders. We knew

when it was our time and when look to others to get the job done, because our teammates put in a lot of work as well.'

It might be hard to believe, but Grant admitted he still has a long way to go to reach where he wants to be as a player. He will have another four years, at least, to work toward that goal.

Last summer, Basile committed to Wright State, a Division I university in Dayton, Ohio. The Raiders reached the NCAA Tournament this season, and Basile is excited to help build on that success once he arrives on campus.

"I'm really looking forward to it," Grant said. "It'll be (head coach Scott Nagy's) third year there. You've seen what he's been able to do down there in two years. They've got a great staff, a lot of good kids coming in with me and obviously the team other than a couple guys stays in tact, so I'm really excited to get there and start working.'

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