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Taylorville, Illinois: As a community bank, Peoples Bank & Trust recognizes the value of volunteerism in our communities. To recognize, commend and promote the volunteerism, Peoples Bank & Trust has established a program to recognize outstanding community members for their volunteer efforts of improvement to our community.

Rev. Bill Kerns has been chosen as our Volunteer of the Quarter for the 3rd quarter of 2018 for his work with the Missions for Taylorville program.

Missions for Taylorville is a volunteer based event where people from the community spend the day helping others by making minor home repairs, cleaning up the yard and other odd jobs that the homeowner may not be able to do themselves. The group is ran by the Davis Memorial Christian Church and has been around since 2010. They host a mission workday twice a year, usually in June and September. Dozens of volunteers gather to work on 30 to 40 repair projects throughout the city. The home improvements can last anywhere from an hour to all day. One of the longest projects in installing ramps. Rev. Kerns welcomes everyone to join the service projects. He said, "Most generally, people are extremely appreciative. I cannot guarantee this part, but sometimes they might even feed you."

In honor of the Rev. Kerns volunteer services to the community, Peoples Bank has made a donation to Missions for Taylorville and Bill's name will be placed on a plaque to be displayed at the bank.

Peoples Bank & Trust in an independent Community Bank with ten offices located in Pana, Taylorville, Altamont, Tower Hill, Charleston, Springfield, Morrisonville, Palmyra, Waverly and White Hall. Peoples is a full service bank offering outstanding customer service to consumers, small business, and farmers in Central Illinois. People First Bancshares, Inc., with corporate offices in Pana, Illinois, is the holding company for Peoples Bank & Trust.