

White Hall, Illinois: As a community bank, Peoples Bank & Trust recognizes the value of volunteerism in our communities. To commend and promote volunteerism, Peoples Bank & Trust has established a program to recognize outstanding community volunteers and organizations that exhibit volunteerism and promote the improvement of our communities. The recipients of these awards are chosen by the employees of the local branch.

Scott Phares, Director of Admissions for the White Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center has been chosen as our Volunteer of the Quarter for the second quarter in 2020.

Scott is a proud graduate of North Greene High School located in White Hall, IL. After graduation, he began to pursue a career in the music business touring multiple states in the US opening for regional acts. This led to a USO Tour to Bogota, Colombia at the US Embassy and the Soto Cano Airbase in Tegucigalpa, Honduras in 2009. Upon returning to the states, he began a career in the healthcare business with White Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. This center happened to be the place of his very first live musical performance as a child while his Grandmother was a resident there. Throughout his time at White Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation he has spent time coordinating activities, building 4th of July Parade floats, marketing, and admissions all while continuing on the path of his music career. In recent years, he was nominated for Songwriter of the Year at the Nashville Universe Awards in 2016 and in 2018. His band, Midwest Avenue is still running strong! The band has had multiple musical releases with new releases planned along with live performances.

In 2017 Scott took the marketing experience he gained at WHNRC to St. Louis where he over saw the marketing efforts of two skilled nursing facilities. In March of 2020, Scott came back to White Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center where he was happy to service his hometown community and be a resource for the area in healthcare for skilled nursing.

When COVID-19 spread to the US it changed the skilled nursing industry as restrictions and extra precautions caused Scott and his team at WHNRC to become creative with activities for the residents. One activity Scott created to keep

residents spirits up was to provide video interviews on his podcast, The SKP Show, of the residents talking about their own lives for families to see that were unable to visit their loved ones at this time. Other activities included two parades through the parking lot in which the community participated in, church services every Friday on the projector screen, a McDonalds drive thru for the residents, a Hawaiian themed party, live music performances, and a Wheelchair Beautification Parade. With the list ever growing in this unique time, Scott and the team at WHNRC are doing their best to provide the best quality of life for the WHNRC residents that are more like family members.

Peoples Bank and Trust will honor the North Greene Summer Lunch Program with a Volunteer of the Quarter \$250.00 award! Please join us in congratulating Scott on this recognition for his contributions!

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