

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 outstanding volunteerism and promote the improvement of our communities. The recipients of these awards are chosen by the employees of the local branch.

Our current Volunteers of the Quarter are Melisa Smith, Missy Nichols and Kellie Heberling. They are the leaders of the After Prom Parents Group for North Greene. The group put together a Prom for the North Greene students, which was held on May 15, at the Green Gables Inn.

With the senior student's year coming close to an end, and with the threat of COVID still lingering in the back of everyone's mind, the senior parents began to become concerned that the school may choose to not have a prom again this year. When the owner of Greene Gables Inn reached out to one of the parents letting them know that if the students of North Greene were indeed going to have any chance at having a prom in May, they needed to book quickly, as there were only a few dates left open in May. It was without hesitation, that they did just that.

The Senior Parent Group put together the Prom this year all on their own. They have been raising money for the After Prom by going to the local businesses that many of the students frequent and asking for donations. Prom tickets were sold outside of the school and the voting for Prom King and Queen took place at City Hall in White Hall. This is thanks to the cooperation of the White Hall Mayor and Staff. This is far from the "normal" prom, but at least they made it happen and the students are making memories.

Instead of the traditional after prom party, the group presented the seniors with gifts and prizes at the end of the prom. The group would like to thank everyone for their support for the students of North Greene. They said, "We are so blessed to live in such a strong and caring community. When asking for donations, the community has helped without hesitation. Thanks again to you all that are making this happen for our students. We could not have made it happen without your generosity. We hope that this Prom is special for all that attend."

To honor the efforts of the After Prom Parent Group, Peoples Bank donated to the After Prom fund and Kellie, Missy and Melisa's names will be placed on a plaque displayed at the Bank.

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