

PRESS RELEASE

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Pana, 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 an outstanding community member for their volunteer efforts of improvement to our community.

The Kerr-Mize Post #168 Pana American Legion has been chosen as our current Volunteers of the Quarter. The American Legion Kerr-Mize Post #168 was incorporated in 1919 as a patriotic Veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is committed to a sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promotion strong national security and continued devotion to our fellow Service Members and Veterans. Legionnaires' sense of obligation to community, state and nation drives an honest advocacy for Veterans. The Legion stands behind the issues most important to the Nation's Veterans community, backed by resolutions pass by volunteer leadership.

The mission of the Legion is to foster camaraderie among United States Veterans, to serve our Veterans, the Military and our Communities, to advocate on behalf of all Veterans and to enhance and improve the quality of life for all Veterans who have served honorably, their families, and the Communities where they live.

Some of the local activities that The Pana American Legion Post #168 participate in are the flag presentations to Pana Unit School District's, business district flag maintenance, monetary donations for local area needs and providing area Veteran' funeral rites.

The officers of the Pana Post include Dave Denton - Commander, Greg Gruber- Finance Officer, Dave LeDuc - Post Chaplin, Lowell Sickles- Secretary and Steve Jones- State flags guard.

In honor of the volunteer effort of the Pana American Legion Kerr-Mize Post #168, Peoples Bank has made a monetary donation to them and a plaque with their name will be placed on display at the bank.

Peoples Bank & Trust is an independent Community Bank with ten offices located in Pana, Taylorville, Altamont, Tower Hill, Charleston, Waverly, Morrisonville, Palmyra, White Hall and Springfield. 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.

