

Peoples Bank & Trust recognizes “Jesus Garza” as Volunteer of the Quarter

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

Peoples Bank & Trust is proud to recognize Jesus Garza, Mayor of the City of Arcola, as our "Volunteer of the Quarter" for his outstanding leadership and commitment to the success of the Arcola Children's Day Celebration. Mayor Garza played a pivotal role in spearheading the fundraising efforts that ensured the community could come together to celebrate this important event. Children's Day, a beloved holiday in Mexico known as Día del Niño, is a special holiday celebrated in Mexico each year. It is dedicated to honoring the country's youth and celebrating their well-being, achievements, and potential. The holiday is a time for society to recognize the importance of children and acknowledge their role as the future of the nation. This year's celebration in Arcola was a resounding success, with over 250 children in attendance, enjoying a variety of activities, including inflatable games, face painting, and the splash pad at Moore Memorial Park. Families also enjoyed a free lunch and participated in fun giveaways.

"Every year, this event grows, and we are proud to support Mayor Garza's efforts to bring our diverse community together to celebrate the children of our community," said Fredy Moreno, AVP of Business Banking at Peoples Bank & Trust. "His dedication to making this event special for our youth is truly commendable."

In honor of his services, Peoples Bank & Trust is making a \$250 donation to the City of Arcola Children's Day fund to help with the growth of the event. In honor of Mayor Garza, his name will be added to a plaque displayed at the bank recognizing past volunteers.

Peoples Bank & Trust is an Independent Community Bank with thirteen offices located in Pana, Taylorville, Altamont, Tower Hill, Waverly, White Hall, Palmyra, Morrisonville, Charleston, Springfield, Arcola, Arthur and Tuscola. 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.