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Charleston, Illinois: As a community bank, Peoples Bank & Trust recognizes the value of volunteerism in our communities. To recognize, commend and promote volunteerism, Peoples Bank & Trust has established a program to recognize outstanding community volunteers who personally exhibit outstanding volunteerism and promote the improvement of our communities.

Peoples Bank & Trust has chosen Camp New Hope as Volunteer of the Quarter.

Camp New Hope is a year-round recreational experience for Special Needs individuals ages eight and above. Camp New Hope hosts many programs for individuals to enjoy experiences with their friends. They build long-lasting memories and friendships while caregivers can enjoy a break from their caregiving responsibilities.

Whether your Camper is local or from far away the staff at Camp New Hope look forward to welcoming your Campers.

Camp New Hope lies on 41 rolling acres on the shores of Lake Mattoon. Year after year, our campers enjoy the excitement of fishing and pontoon boat rides on the lake, train rides around our trails, swimming in our pool, playing on our playground and mini golf course, games, crafts, music, karaoke, and more.

When not in use for campers our Facilities are open to RENT. Whether you're planning a wedding, a family reunion, or just a weekend getaway, Camp New Hope's facilities are a wonderful location for your next gathering or event! Our campus boasts a beautiful cabin-style respite center with a full kitchen and basement, air-conditioned cabins for your guests, a lovely chapel, and a gorgeous shoreline and dock.

Camp New Hope is not state or federally funded and relies on individuals, businesses, organizations and fundraisers to help support our mission. We charge about ¾ of what it costs us to host campers.

We are always looking for counselors to help us with our programs and volunteers to help us keep the facilities looking safe, nice, and inviting. Any questions are welcomed, just call Camp New Hope office at 217-895-2341.

Peoples Bank and Trust is Camp New Hope with a donation and have placed their name on a plaque which is displayed in the bank's lobby. Peoples Bank and Trust has honored area volunteers in Charleston for the past fourteen years and Camp New Hope is the 57th volunteer recognized by the Charleston Branch of Peoples Bank and Trust.

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