

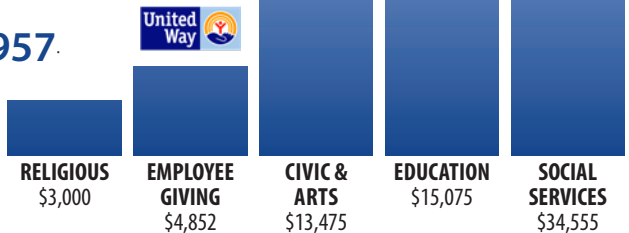
60 YEARS OF COMMITMENT TO THE KANKAKEE COMMUNITY



Peoples Bank has been committed to giving back since its founding in 1962 by businessman and philanthropist, **Romy Hammes**. Throughout his 81-year life, Romy believed in “doing something in return” for his good fortune. He considered human values in addition to immediate costs. He would ask, “How will this help others do a better job? Will it provide employment? Will it help upgrade the skills and knowledge of recipients? Will it help stimulate new ideas and show people that somebody really gives a damn?”



In keeping with our core values, Peoples Bank contributes a portion of its profits back to the community. In 2021, this amounted to a contribution total of **\$70,957**.



26 YEARS OF HONORING AREA SCHOLARS

Since 1996, Peoples Bank and the Hammes family have invested in the youth of Kankakee County through its Scholar Program. The program provides scholarships to area high school graduates who plan to attend Kankakee Community College or Olivet Nazarene University as an incoming freshman or returning sophomore. Since its inception, we've awarded **\$264,500** in local scholarship funds.



60 YEARS OF VOLUNTEERING IN THE COMMUNITY

The spirit of giving is reflected in Peoples Bank's talented employees who donate their time and talents to charities, committees and boards throughout the community. Here is a sampling:



Mimi Barnes

Kankakee County
Hispanic Partnership



Ryan Barrie

Boy Scouts of America,
Pack Leader & District
Commissioner
Knights of Columbus



Nick Bufford

Kankakee Kiwanis Club,
President
Limestone Youth Baseball/
Softball, Board Member
Kankakee YMCA, Board Member
Community Foundation of
Kankakee River Valley, Board
Member



Ryan Guertin

River Valley Christian
Fellowship, Worship
Leader, Instructor &
Musician



Jeff Hammes

Economic Alliance of
Kankakee County, Board
Chair
Kankakee Economic
Development Association,
Board Member
KCC Foundation, Board
Member
Maternity BVM Parish
Finance Council Chair



Mark Kaner

Kankakee County Chamber of
Commerce, Board Member
Manteno Police Pension, Board
Member/Trustee
Bishop McNamara Catholic School
Auction Steering Committee
Adventure Commons, Youth
League Basketball Coach
Bradley Bourbonnais Little
League, Youth Baseball Coach



Deb Laskey

Manteno United
Methodist Church,
Financial Secretary



Matt Olszewski

Kankakee Development
Corporation, Board Member,
Treasurer
Kankakee Events Partnership
Management Committee
Kankakee Regional Land
Bank, Board Member
Project Catalyst Advisory
Committee



Laura Umphrey

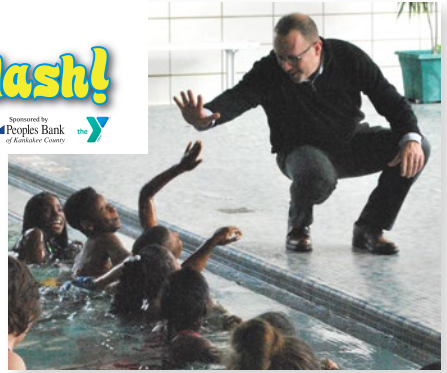
Catholic Charities Money
Management Program
Advisory Council
Manteno Chamber of
Commerce, Board Member,
Women Supporting
Women Committee

"THIS IS MY 33RD YEAR AS A REGISTERED SCOUT. I STARTED AS A KID. AND I'M GOING ON 20 YEARS AS A MEMBER OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS."
— Ryan Barrie, Commercial Loan Processor

VOLUNTEER HOURS OF ALL PEOPLES BANK EMPLOYEES IN 2021: 818

5 YEARS OF COMMITMENT TO THE SPLASH PROGRAM

For the past five years, Peoples Bank has proudly partnered with the local YMCA to sponsor the Splash Program. This lifesaving program offers swim lessons to every second grader in the Kankakee public school system. Over 2,000 children have developed an appreciation of the water, improved self-esteem, and learned to save themselves in case of an aquatic emergency. Peoples Bank loves this indispensable program!



Let's Make It Happen...

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