



**Peoples Bank of Kankakee County** announced the 2017 Scholar Awards are available to area high school graduates attending Kankakee Community College, Olivet Nazarene University, or Notre Dame in the fall of 2017.

Interested students may apply in their senior year by completing the standard applications for admission and financial aid at the school where they are admitted. Partial scholar support will be made available to qualified graduates in need of financial assistance. At the time of application, students should express their interest in *People's Bank Scholar Program*. No special application will be required for this program and the winners are selected by the college.

Additional information regarding the scholarship is available through area high school guidance offices and the offices of financial aid at ONU, Notre Dame University, and the Foundation office at Kankakee Community College.

Bank president Jeff Hammes commented on the program, "It's just another way that we can encourage Kankakee County students to further their education and help the Kankakee community become a better place for them and others to live, now and later."

Since its inception in 1996, Peoples Bank and the Hammes family have provided scholarships to 97 graduating seniors from Kankakee area high schools. Peoples Bank of Kankakee County is a locally owned financial institution with locations at 333 E. Court St. in downtown Kankakee and the main office at 315 Main St. NW, Bourbonnais. For more information about the bank and its services, visit [peoplesbankdirect.com](http://peoplesbankdirect.com).