

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: July 26, 2013

NORTHWEST INDIANA BANCORP
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Indiana
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-26128
(Commission File Number)

35-1927981
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

9204 Columbia Avenue
Munster, Indiana 46321
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(219) 836-4400
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02(d). Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On July 26, 2013, the Board of Directors of the Northwest Indiana Bancorp, the holding company for Peoples Bank SB, elected Danette Garza to the Board of Directors for a term that ends in April 2014. Ms. Garza fills a vacancy on the Board of the Bancorp as well as Peoples Bank. A copy of the press release announcing her appointment is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: July 26, 2013

NORTHWEST INDIANA BANCORP

By: /s/ David A. Bochnowski
Name: David A. Bochnowski
Title: Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer
and President

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit
Number

Description

99.1

Press Release dated July 26, 2013

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
July 26, 2013

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
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**Danette Garza Elected to the
NorthWest Indiana Bancorp Board of Directors**

Munster, IN – Northwest Indiana Bancorp, the holding company for Peoples Bank, announced that the Board has elected Danette Garza to the Board of Directors for a term that ends in April 2014. Ms. Garza fills a vacancy on the Board of the Bancorp as well as Peoples Bank. The Board plans to name Ms. Garza to its Nominating and Corporate Governance, Risk Management, and Strategic Planning Committees.

“Ms. Garza is a successful entrepreneur with an innovative business outlook and diverse experience in various dimensions of business and financial services,” said David A. Bochnowski, chairman and chief executive officer of the Bancorp and Peoples Bank. “She brings to the Board financial expertise and strong business acumen, along with a proven track record in accounting as well as legal transactions,” Bochnowski said.

Garza is a certified public accountant as well as a licensed attorney specializing in Corporate, Estate Planning and Elder law. She is currently providing legal and consulting services as an independent contractor to the firm of Austgen, Kuiper & Associates, P.C. As the owner of Continental Languages, LLC in Highland, IN, Garza offers on-site and over-the-phone language interpreting services in over 120 languages to Limited English Proficient (LEP) individuals. She formerly served as chief operating officer and corporate counsel for an Indiana multispecialty group medical practice. Garza earned a bachelor’s degree with a concentration in accounting and an MBA from Indiana University, and her law degree from Valparaiso University School of Law.

“The Board will be able to draw upon Danette Garza’s professional strengths and civic involvement as resources to help us build on our strategic direction, capitalize on our opportunities and remain relevant as a company and community partner,” added Bochnowski. Garza is the chairman of the Investment Committee of the Legacy Foundation and serves on their Executive Board of Directors. She also serves on the board for South Shore Arts as V.P. of Administration, and is a former board member Northwest Indiana Symphony Orchestra and Forest Ridge Academy.
