

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

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**FORM 8-K**

CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of Report: April 1, 2014

**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:

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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 8.01 Other Events

On December 20, 2013, NorthWest Indiana Bancorp announced that its bank subsidiary, Peoples Bank, signed a definitive agreement (the “Agreement”) to acquire First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Hammond (“First Federal”), a federal mutual savings association headquartered in Hammond, Indiana. Pursuant to the Agreement, Peoples Bank was to acquire First Federal by merging First Federal with and into Peoples Bank immediately following First Federal’s voluntary supervisory conversion to stock form. Peoples Bank was not required to issue or pay any shares, cash, or other consideration in the merger. The Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions of Peoples Bank’s acquisition of First Federal.

On April 2, 2014, NorthWest Indiana Bancorp, the holding company for Peoples Bank, announced that Peoples Bank has successfully completed the previously announced acquisition of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Hammond, a federal mutual savings bank headquartered in Hammond, Indiana. A copy of that press release is included as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release issued by NorthWest Indiana Bancorp on April 2, 2014

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**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: April 2, 2014

NORTHWEST INDIANA BANCORP

By: /s/ Benjamin Bochnowski

Name: Benjamin Bochnowski

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

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**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
APRIL 2, 2014

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT  
BENJAMIN BOCHNOWSKI AT (219) 853-7575

**Peoples Bank Completes Acquisition of  
First Federal Savings and Loan Association**

Munster, Indiana - NorthWest Indiana Bancorp (NWIN.OB), the holding company for Peoples Bank SB, announced today that Peoples Bank has successfully completed the previously announced acquisition of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Hammond ("First Federal"), a federal mutual savings bank headquartered in Hammond, Indiana. Peoples Bank acquired the assets and liabilities of First Federal in a voluntary supervisory merger conversion transaction. No shares were issued or cash or other consideration was paid in the transaction.

With the completion of the acquisition, Peoples Bank will have approximately \$760 million in assets, \$482 million in loans and \$629 million in deposits. The acquisition will expand Peoples Bank's retail banking network to 14 banking centers located in Lake and Porter Counties in Northwest Indiana. The joining of First Federal into the Peoples Bank brand will be completed during the third quarter of 2014.

"I'm extremely proud of the entire Peoples team for what they accomplished with this merger. This was a very unique transaction, and with no cash, stock or other consideration paid, it is expected to be accretive to earnings in 2014," said Benjamin Bochnowski, executive vice president and chief operating officer.

"Just as importantly, this merger reinforces our strong partnership in the community. We are excited about what we can offer to First Fed's customers, and look forward to growing our banking center network for all Peoples Bank customers," Bochnowski said.

**About NorthWest Indiana Bancorp**

NorthWest Indiana Bancorp is a locally owned and independent bank holding company headquartered in Munster, Indiana, whose activities are primarily limited to holding the stock of Peoples Bank. Peoples Bank provides a wide range of personal and business financial services from its 14 locations in Lake and Porter Counties in Northwest Indiana. NorthWest Indiana Bancorp's common stock is traded on the OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol NWIN. The website [ibankpeoples.com](http://ibankpeoples.com) provides information on Peoples Bank's products and services, and NorthWest Indiana Bancorp's investor relations.

**Forward-looking Statements**

"Forward-looking statements" as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 may be included in this release. A variety of factors could cause the Bancorp's actual results to differ from those expected at the time of this release. These include, but are not limited to, changes in economic conditions in the Bancorp's market area, changes in policies by regulatory agencies, fluctuation in interest rates, demand for loans in the Bancorp's market area, economic conditions in the financial services industry, competition and other risks set forth in the Bancorp's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013. Readers are urged to carefully review and consider the various disclosures made by the Bancorp in its periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and the Bancorp undertakes no obligation to update them in light of new information or future events.

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