

Stock Yards Bancorp, Inc.  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**CROCE MICHAEL**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**Stock Yards Bancorp, Inc. [SYBT]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**PO BOX 32890**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/18/2016**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Executive Vice President**

**LOUISVILLE, KY 40232**  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/18/2016		F	57 D \$ 37.03	3,235	D	
Common Stock	02/19/2016		F	53 D \$ 37.33	3,182	D	
Common Stock					4,084	I	by 401k/ESOP-fbo Michael Croce

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.83					02/20/2008	02/20/2017	Common Stock	2,500
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 23.37					02/19/2009	02/19/2018	Common Stock	1,550
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 22.14					02/17/2010	02/17/2019	Common Stock	1,500
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 21.03					02/16/2011	02/16/2020	Common Stock	1,500
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 23.76					03/15/2012	03/15/2021	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 22.86					02/20/2013	02/20/2022	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 29.16					06/24/2015	06/24/2024	Common Stock	2,160
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 34.43					03/17/2016	03/17/2025	Common Stock	2,824

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CROCE MICHAEL PO BOX 32890 LOUISVILLE, KY 40232			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

/s/ Michael  
Croce 02/22/2016

    Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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