

Stock Yards Bancorp, Inc.
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FORM 4

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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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

PO BOX 32890

(Street)

LOUISVILLE, KY 40232

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Stock Yards Bancorp, Inc. [SYBT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

02/22/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 02/22/2016 | | F | 25 D | \$ 36.9 3,157 | 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

02/23/2016

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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