



OKLAHOMA BANKERS ASSOCIATION EMERGING LEADERS INSIGHTS JULY 2016

Bankers at the Food Bank: Aug. 4 or 5

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The first week in August boasts two chances to participate in Bankers at the Food Bank, a philanthropic opportunity presented by the OBA Emerging Leaders. The first will take place from 1 to 3 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 4, at the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma in [Tulsa](#). The second will take place from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 5 at the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma in [Oklahoma City](#).

Enjoy a fun morning or afternoon alongside your banking peers while also giving back to the community. The events are presented by OBA Emerging Leaders but open to all bankers. To register, email nancy@oba.com. For any other questions, contact Megan at the OBA.

ALL THE ACCOLADES

Congratulations to the following high-achieving Emerging Leaders:

Jason Hensley, of City National Bank & Trust in Lawton, on receiving a scholarship to the Graduate School of Banking in Madison.

Meredith Murphy, of Vision Bank in Ada, on receiving a scholarship to the Graduate School of Banking Colorado.

Kyle Nation, of Valliance Bank in Oklahoma City, for being named the 2016 OBA Commercial Lending School Honor Graduate.

Kudos to Emerging Leaders graduates

Congratulations to the Emerging Leaders who recently graduated from the 2016 OBA Intermediate School:

Will Andrews, Exchange Bank & Trust Co., Stillwater

Kim Baugh, BancCentral, Alva

Ann Chen, The Citizens Bank of Edmond, Edmond

Sarah Yocham, Regent Bank, Tulsa



“Social” Gathering

Join us Aug. 11 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Café Alley in Ardmore for [Social Media Do's and Don'ts](#), presented by the OBA Emerging Leaders.

Join your banking peers for lunch and hear from Jeremy Cowen, OBA vice president/communications and an adjunct journalism instructor at OU's Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication.

There is no registration fee, but attendees are responsible for the cost of their own meals. *The event is presented by the OBA Emerging Leaders but is open to all bankers.*

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#bankersofoklahoma

As long time Member Relations Liaison Jim Davis retired this May, his beloved Oklahoma Banker column "On the Road" retired as well. To continue to highlight banks and bankers from across the state, the OBA rolled out a new article in the July issue of the Oklahoma Banker—Bankers of Oklahoma. This new column debuted in conjunction with the OBA's new Instagram account with pictures and insights from member bankers. If you ever have an Instagram, Facebook or Twitter posts that highlight a banker, include the hashtag #bankersofoklahoma to show off the outstanding Oklahomans working hard for your industry.

OBA Webcasts -- 20 Questions!

[Click here](#) to watch the next round of individuals answering 20 random questions ranging from informational, to entertaining to downright bizarre!

Three new interviews are now posted for our everyone's enjoyment. These interviews – with Valliance Bank's Danielle James, First Bethany Bank's Jane Haskin and the OBA's Kellie Schnurr – will give insight on these three individuals ranging from what it was like being the first woman to chair the Association's board of directors to if one of them can say the alphabet backward!

Let us know your thoughts and let us know anyone you'd like to see on further editions of these 20 Questions!

WHEELS UP TO WASHINGTON

The OBA's Annual Washington Visit has been scheduled for Sept. 11-13 and the hotel will be the Mayflower. Registration information should have arrived at your bank, but you can also download the registration and information form, and get more info on the hotel, by [clicking here](#). Please note: Emerging Leaders receive a registration discount.

If you have any questions, contact [Adrian Beverage](#) at the OBA.



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: Q&A WITH CARL OBLANDER Vice President / Loan Officer First National Bank & Trust Company, Lone Grove



Q. Where did you grow up?

A. I grew up in Woodward. When I was 9-years-old, I moved from town to the family farm. My family still manages the farm I grew up on, raising cattle and harvesting wheat.

Q. What do you enjoy about Emerging Leaders?

A. I enjoy Emerging leaders because of the doors it has opened for me outside of my bank. It is great to have a source of contact for bankers and to be able to partner with them in worthwhile projects across the state.

Q. What is your passion?

A. My family is my passion. I have always known being a dad was my calling in life, and I have been blessed to experience that.

Q. Favorite thing about the banking industry?

A. My favorite thing about the banking business is interacting with the vast assortment of customer personalities. My bank has a large agriculture portfolio and that helps me stay in touch with my roots. I also enjoy making real estate loans to families, it gives me a lot of satisfaction to help people find a home.

Q. What do you enjoy doing outside of work?

A. Outside of work my favorite thing to do is to vacation with my wife and kids. I also enjoy hunting, fishing and teaching my kids how to care for the farm animals.

Q. Unique fact about you?

A. I have a Food Science degree.

Q. Top bucket list item?

A. My top bucket list item would be to lead a mission trip for my church.

Do you know someone who should be spotlighted? Let us know by emailing megan@oba.com.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

Is your bank doing something noteworthy for your community? If so, email megan@oba.com. We'd love to feature your good deeds in an upcoming Insights newsletter.

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