



# THE ROBBINS BANKING INSTITUTE LECTURE SERIES

Featuring Bank Leaders Who Turned Vision Into Reality

Tuesday, February 24, 2026 - REGISTER NOW



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**LEONARD WOLFE**

Chairman, President, and CEO of United  
Bank & Trust, Marysville  
Kansas State Banking Board Member

## Who is Invited

Fort Hays State University faculty, staff, students, state & local policymakers,  
business & community leaders, and bankers.

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## Schedule of Events

**9:00 AM - Bankers, Business, & Community Leaders Breakfast Mixer at Sunset Atrium in  
FHSU Memorial Union Located on the first floor (please enter on the west side by the bronze tiger statue)**

**10:30 AM - Prominent Kansas Banker Panel in Memorial Union, Ballroom**

- Welcome - Melissa Hunsicker-Walburn, Dean of Robbins College of Business & Entrepreneurship
- Special Remarks - W.R. Robbins, Chairman of Farmers Bank & Trust
- Introduction - Dale Winklepleck, RBI Advisory Council Chair
- Prominent Kansas Banker Panel - Earl McVicker, Kurt Knutson, & Leonard Wolfe  
Co-Moderators: Doug Wareham, KBA President & CEO; Lawson Bailey, Senior at FHSU  
Pursuing a B.B.A. in Finance with a Concentration in Banking
- Closing Remarks - Melissa Hunsicker-Walburn

**12:00 PM - High school students will transition to lunch in the Memorial Union, Peter Werth Black & Gold Room**  
(If you are not a high school student but wish to attend the afternoon session, please contact Rayanna Breshears)

**12:30 PM - FHSU Robbins Banking Institute Student Panel**

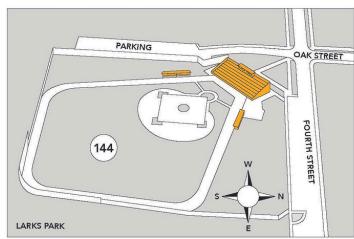
Co-Moderators: Dale Winklepleck and Rayanna Breshears, RBI Coordinator

**1:00 PM - Robbins College of Business & Entrepreneurship Overview**

**1:15 PM - FHSU Admissions Overview**

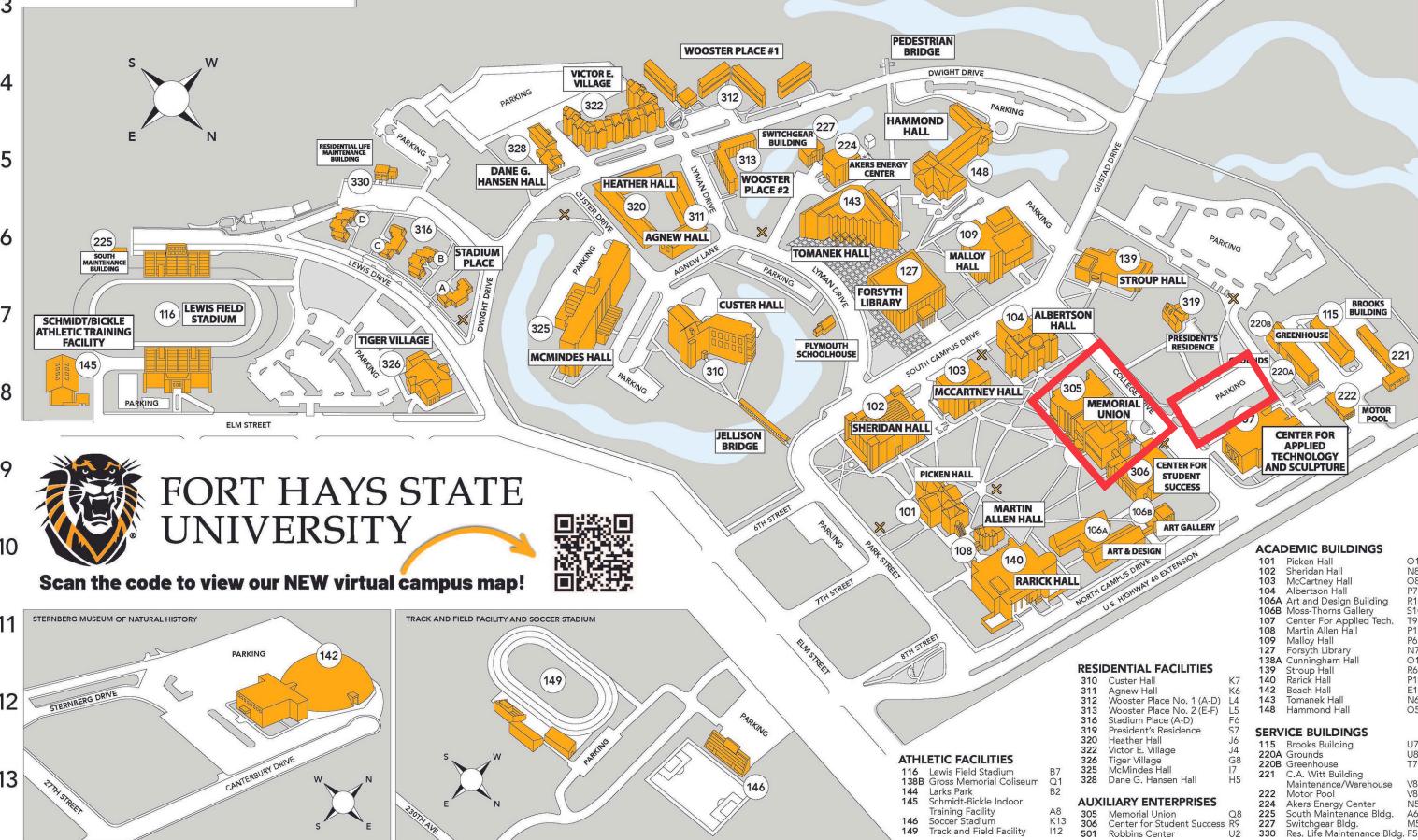
**1:30 PM - End of Event**

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## Registration Information

**FHSU MEMORIAL UNION - 700 COLLEGE AVE, HAYS, KS 67601**

**Bankers:** Register at [ksbankers.com](http://ksbankers.com).

**FHSU Alumni & Donors:** Register at [FHSUalumni.com/rbi](http://FHSUalumni.com/rbi).

**Community & Business Leaders:** Email Rayanna Breshears at [rbreshears@ksbankers.com](mailto:rbreshears@ksbankers.com) with your name, title, organization, and city.

**High School Groups:** Email Rayanna Breshears at [rbreshears@ksbankers.com](mailto:rbreshears@ksbankers.com) with your school name and the number of students attending.

**Please indicate if you plan to attend:**

- Bankers, Business & Community Leaders Breakfast Mixer
- Lunch in the Black & Gold Room after the Lecture Series

If you have any questions, please contact Rayanna Breshears at 785-232-3444 or [rbreshears@ksbankers.com](mailto:rbreshears@ksbankers.com).