

## Classic turns



Join us as we celebrate our 125th anniversary!

**Date:**

Friday September 5

**Time:**

10 am to 12 pm

**Where:**

All Classic Bank locations

**Refreshments**

will be served.

### Fun facts about Classic Bank extracted from our records:

- The original bank building in Cameron was built in 1891 for \$15,000.
- From the late 1880s: "One day Bessie Hefley [daughter of bank president John Hefley] rode her horse up the front steps and into the lobby of the bank...She was very rebellious and old enough to know better."
- A new building was built in 1921 for \$100,000. The most notable feature was the 22,000-pound vault with a round door. Installation was a challenge: "The steel-and-cement walls are 22 inches thick and lined with half-inch sheets of manganese steel, guaranteed by the US government to be burglar proof...Getting it to the bank took some imagination. We had a crew of men who used 4 mules and a series of hydraulic jacks to move it from the railroad station and install it in the bank."
- The vault is still in use today, almost 95 years later.

### Focus on the bank

## Meet Megan Kirk Giddings Loan Officer

We've noticed a trend at Classic Bank: people are moving back to their hometowns, after living away for awhile. Sometimes alone, sometimes with family in tow, they are returning to their roots, to extended family, and to a desirable way of life.

We like this trend. Not only does it breathe life into our communities, but it also brings talented, experienced bankers into our workforce.

Meet Megan Kirk, recently returned to Giddings. A graduate of Sam Houston State University with a double major in finance and banking, Megan honed her banking skills in Bryan/College Station and Austin, working as a commercial loan officer on a specialty lending team. She had a great career—with a terrible commute!

So Megan and her husband, Taylor—along with kids Jenna and Cade—made the decision to return to her hometown. Close to family, close to schools, close to her work, life is much less hectic and much more centered on creating a community. Taylor still commutes to his job as grounds manager for Circuit of the Americas, the Formula1 racetrack in Austin. But Megan is quick to say that one commuter is better than two!

Stop by the Giddings branch to welcome Megan! We are pleased to have her as part of our Classic Bank family.



Megan Kirk

## Travel Tips

**Are you traveling this summer? Take Classic Bank with you wherever you go! But before you leave, take these precautions:**

- If you plan to access your accounts while abroad (including Canada and Mexico), call us ahead of time so we can flag your account.
- This notification extends to all cards and accounts you may be using—not just those at Classic Bank.
- Travel with two credit cards, stored separately in case one is lost or compromised.
- Be aware of "holds" that may be incurred with debit card transactions, such as at rental car or hotel counters. The holds may lower the available balance in your account.
- Stash some cash for emergencies.
- Carry Classic Bank contact information in case you need us! We are only a call or email away.
- **Have fun!**

