SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 2, 2009

BANKFINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 0-51331 (Commission File No.) 75-3199276 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

15W060 North Frontage Road, Burr Ridge, Illinois (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

60527 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 894-6900

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01. <u>Regulation FD Disclosure</u>

BankFinancial Corporation (Nasdaq – BFIN) will participate in the Sandler O'Neill & Partners 2009 West Coast Financial Services Conference to be held on Tuesday, March 3, 2009 BankFinancial's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, F. Morgan Gasior, is scheduled to present at 4:35 p.m. Pacific Time (6:35 p.m. Central Time) on Tuesday, March 3, 2009. The slides for the presentation are attached as Exhibit 99.1 and the information set forth therein is incorporated herein by reference and constitutes a part of this report.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the attached exhibit, is being furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Furthermore, the information contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Company.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not Applicable.
- (b) Not Applicable.
- (c) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.Description99.1Slide Pres

99.1 Slide Presentation dated March 3, 2009

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 2, 2009

BANKFINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ F. Morgan Gasior

F. Morgan Gasior Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer and President



Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. 2009 West Coast Financial Services Conference March 3, 2009

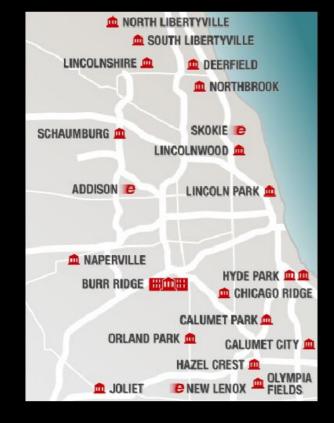
F. Morgan Gasior Chief Executive Officer

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Focused Metropolitan Chicago Community Bank

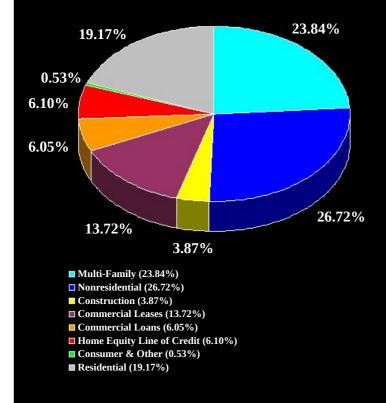


Financial data as of 12/31/08 Branch data as of March 2009

| | Total Assets Total Loans Total Deposits | \$1.6 billion \$1.3 billion \$1.1 billion |
|---|--|---|
| | Market Capitalization Equity Ticker Symbol | \$221 million \$267 million BFIN |
| • | | 18 5 3 (1 opened in 1Q09) 64,743 471 |



Diverse Commercial Lending: Strong Credit Quality



- 74% Loans to Commercial Borrowers
- Stable Illinois / Midwestern Geographic Concentration and Strong National Corporate Lessees
- Dedicated Internal Commercial Loan Origination Capability

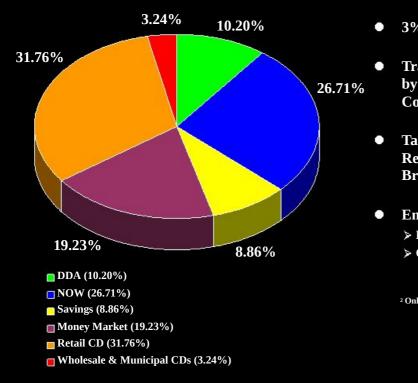
| > Regional Commercial Banking: | 49% ¹ |
|--------------------------------|------------------|
| > Commercial Leasing: | 38% ¹ |
| > Wholesale Loans: | 13% ¹ |

• 1.07% Non-Performing Loans to Total Loans

¹ Expressed as % of total 2008 Commercial Loan Originations.



Core Deposits: Combining Tradition & Technology

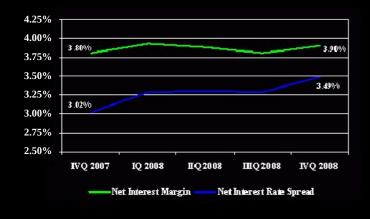


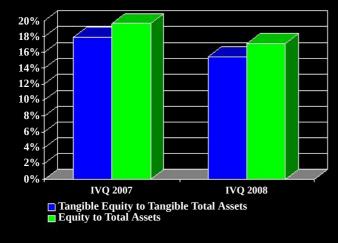
- 65% Transaction and Savings Deposits
- 3% Wholesale & Municipal CDs
- Traditional Service Consistency Supplemented by Telephone & Online Banking Service Convenience
- Targeted Deposit Marketing Based on Customer Relationships and Proximity to Established Branch Locations
- Emphasis on Customer Linkage Via Technology
 > Personal / Household: 26%²
 > Commercial / Cash Management: 24%²

² Online Banking Participation Expressed as a % of Total Customers by Category.



NIM & Capital Management: Strength & Opportunity





- Strong Capital Position
- Multiple Sources of Shareholder Returns
 > First Dividend in 2006; Raised Dividend in 2007
 > \$76 million in total dividends and shareholder repurchases as of 12/31/08
- Proven Acquisition Integration Capability
 > Success National Bank 2001
 - > University National Bank 2006



Strategic Focus – Organic Growth

- Loans & Leases
 - Focus growth in targeted assets with favorable risk / return profiles.
 - Multi-Family Loans
 - Commercial Leases
 - Maintain consistent credit underwriting standards, adjusted for economic and local market conditions.
 - Evaluate continued gradual diversification of multi-family lending into stable geographic markets with advantageous pricing and underwriting characteristics and within reasonable travel distance from Chicago.
 - Evaluate retained FNMA securitization to further reduce credit risk exposure of multi-family loan portfolio.

• Core Deposits

- Focus growth in insured core deposits and certificates of deposit, particularly commercial deposits.
- Enhance service delivery and new customer development via Express Branch facility deployment.



Strategic Focus – Mergers & Acquisitions

• Regulatory-Sourced Transactions

- Unlikely to participate in resolution which requires the assumption of material levels of non-performing assets or material increases to residential or construction loans.
- Willing to participate in "Clean Purchase & Assumption" transactions in our primary Chicago greater metropolitan area <u>or</u> in selected metropolitan areas with more favorable market characteristics.

• Market Transactions

- Continue to be interested in institutions with strong core deposit franchises and acceptable asset quality characteristics.
- Institutions may be located in our primary greater Chicago metropolitan area.
- Would consider institutions in selected metropolitan areas within a reasonable travel distance from Chicago and with more favorable market characteristics.
- Would consider the acquisition of small finance company or insurance agencies complementary to our multi-family and other smaller commercial customers.

• Investment Criteria

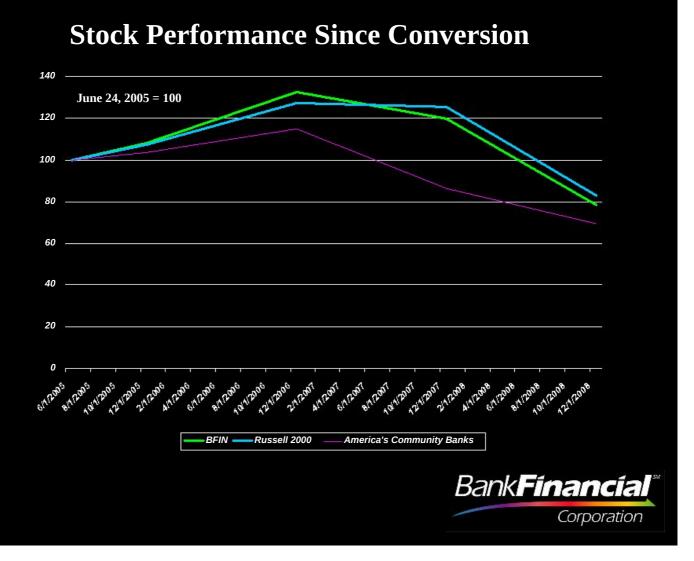
 Maintain consistent historical approach to evaluation of return on investment metrics, including earnings accretion and tangible book value dilution standards.

BankFinancial Corporation

Long-Term Objectives

- Maintain strong asset quality, liquidity and capital levels.
- Deploy excess tangible capital consistent with achieving market return on equity.
 - Interim focus on achieving market return on average assets while capital levels remain elevated.
- Continue to optimize customer service and operational effectiveness for greater operating efficiencies.







Helping Our Customers, Communities and Stockholders Do More Towards Reaching Their Financial Goals