UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC

Form 8-K February 15, 2011

## UNITED STATES 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): February 14, 2011

#### UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Georgia No. 0-21656
(State or other jurisdiction

No. 58-180-7304

of (Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer

incorporation)

Identification No.)

125 Highway 515 East Blairsville, Georgia 30512 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (706) 781-2265

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:

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

Item Other Events.

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On February 14, 2011, United Community Banks, Inc. (the "Company") announced that it will exercise its rights to suspend its regularly scheduled quarterly cash dividend payment on the Company's Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B, issued to the United States Department of the Treasury.

The full text of the press release announcing these decisions is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

I t e mFinancial Statements and Exhibits.

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#### (d) Exhibits

Exhibit Description

No.

99.1 Press release issued by United Community Banks, Inc. on February 14, 2011.

### **SIGNATURES**

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

## UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.

By:/s/ Rex S. Schuette
Rex S. Schuette
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 15, 2011

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