

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC

Form 8-K

December 27, 2007

**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):**  
**December 27, 2007**  
**United Community Banks, Inc.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Georgia

No. 0-21656

No. 58-180-7304

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

63 Highway 515, P.O. Box 398  
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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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240-13e-4(c))
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**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure**

On December 27, 2007, United Community Banks, Inc. (the Registrant ) issued a news release announcing that its fourth quarter earnings would be less than previously estimated due to higher than expected credit losses (the News Release ). The News Release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

- (a) Financial statements: None
- (b) Pro forma financial information: None
- (c) Exhibits:

99.1 Press Release, dated December 27, 2007

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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.

*/s/ Rex S. Schuette*

Rex S. Schuette  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

December 27, 2007