UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC

Form 8-K January 28, 2014

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): January 28, 2014

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Georgia No. 001-35095 No. 58-180-7304 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer incorporation) Identification No.)

125 Highway 515 East

<u>Blairsville, Georgia 30512</u>
(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))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On January 28, 2014, United Community Banks, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that Lynn Harton, the Company's executive vice president and chief operating officer, has been named president along with his current title as chief operating officer of the Company's wholly-owned banking subsidiary, United Community Bank.

A copy of the Company's press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

${\bf Item~9.01}_{\mbox{\bf Financial Statements and Exhibits.}}$

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release, dated January 28, 2014

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: January 28, 2014

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