UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC Form 10-K/A March 06, 2006

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 FORM 10-K/A

Amendment No. 1

## ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005 Commission File Number 0-21656

#### UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Georgia 58-1807304

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

63 Highway 515, Blairsville, Georgia

30512

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (706) 781-2265
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: None
Name of exchange on which registered: None
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

Yes b No o

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Sections 13 or 15(d) of the Act.

Yes o No b

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Sections 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes b No o

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein and will not be contained, to the best of registrant s knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (check one):

Large accelerated filer b Accelerated filer o Non-accelerated filer o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes o No b

Aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates of the Registrant: \$814,107,000 (based on shares held by non-affiliates at \$26.02 per share, the closing stock price on the Nasdaq stock market on June 30, 2005).

As of January 31, 2006, 40,080,244 shares of common stock were issued and outstanding, including 372,000 shares deemed outstanding pursuant to prime plus 1/4% convertible subordinated payable-in-kind debentures due

December 31, 2006 and presently exercisable options to acquire 1,252,868 shares.

#### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the registrant s Proxy Statement for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on April 26, 2006 are incorporated herein into Part III by reference.

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

United Community Banks, Inc. is filing this amendment on Form 10-K/A to its Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005 to replace the table in Item 6. Selected Financial Data titled Selected Financial Information For the Years Ended December 31. The compound annual growth rate in the far right column of the original table had been calculated incorrectly.

United Community Banks, Inc. is filing an unofficial PDF copy of the entire Form 10-K, as amended, with this amendment.

# ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC. Selected Financial Information For the Years Ended December 31,

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(in thousands, except per share data;											Year CAGR
taxable equivalent) INCOME SUMMARY		2005		2004		2003		2002		2001	(4)
Interest revenue Interest expense	\$	338,818 127,426	\$	239,386 74,794	\$	209,338 70,600	\$	195,932 76,357	\$	210,036 100,874	
Net interest revenue Provision for loan losses Fee revenue		211,392 12,100 46,148		164,592 7,600 39,539		138,738 6,300 38,184		119,575 6,900 30,734		109,162 6,000 25,267	17% 20
<b>Total revenue</b> Operating expenses (1)		245,440 155,401		196,531 122,568		170,622 107,900		143,409 91,124		128,429 83,906	18 16
Income before taxes Income taxes		90,039 33,297		73,963 26,807		62,722 23,247		52,285 19,505		44,523 16,208	21
<b>Net operating income</b> Merger-related charges, net of tax		56,742		47,156 565		39,475 1,357		32,780		28,315 1,084	21
Net income	\$	56,742	\$	46,591	\$	38,118	\$	32,780	\$	27,231	31
OPERATING PERFORMANCE (1)											
Earnings per common share: Basic	\$	1.47	\$	1.31	\$	1.15	\$	1.02	\$	.89	16
Diluted	Ψ	1.47	Ψ	1.27	Ψ	1.13	Ψ	.99	Ψ	.87	16
Return on tangible equity (2)(3)		18.99%		19.74%	,	19.24%	'n	17.88%	)	18.199	
Return on assets		1.04		1.07		1.06		1.11		1.10	
Efficiency ratio		60.15		60.05		60.89		60.66		62.52	
Dividend payout ratio		19.05		18.32		17.39		16.34		14.98	
GAAP PERFORMANCE											
Per common share:											
Basic earnings	\$	1.47	\$	1.29	\$	1.11	\$	1.02	\$	.86	26
Diluted earnings		1.43		1.25		1.08		.99		.84	25
Cash dividends declared (rounded)		.28		.24		.20		.17		.13	23
Book value		11.80		10.39		8.47		6.89		5.98	19
Tangible book value (3)		8.94		7.34		6.52		6.49		5.40	15
Key performance ratios: Return on equity <sup>(2)</sup>		13.46%		14.39%	,	14.79%	<u>,</u>	16.54%		16.089	70
Return on assets		1.04		1.05	9	1.02	U	10.34%	)	1.05	$\boldsymbol{v}$
Net interest margin		4.14		4.00		3.99		4.33		4.51	
Dividend payout ratio		19.05		18.60		18.02		16.34		15.50	
Equity to assets		7.63		7.45		7.21		7.01		6.81	

Tangible equity to assets (3)		5.64		5.78		6.02		6.60		6.18	
ASSET QUALITY											
Allowance for loan losses	\$	53,595	\$	47,196	\$	38,655	\$	30,914	\$	27,124	
Non-performing assets		12,995		8,725		7,589		8,019		9,670	
Net charge-offs		5,701		3,617		4,097		3,111		4,578	
Allowance for loan losses to loans		1.22%	,	1.26%	ó	1.28%	,	1.30%		1.35%	
Non-performing assets to total assets		.22		.17		.19		.25		.35	
Net charge-offs to average loans		.14		.11		.15		.14		.25	
AVERAGE BALANCES											
Loans	\$4,0	061,091	\$ 3	3,322,916	\$ 2	2,753,451	\$	2,239,875	\$ 1	,854,968	19
Investment securities	9	989,201		734,577		667,211		464,468		489,332	11
Earning assets	5,	109,053	4	1,119,327	3	3,476,030		2,761,265	2	2,419,080	17
Total assets	5,4	472,200	4	1,416,835	3	3,721,284		2,959,295	2	2,585,290	17
Deposits	4,0	003,084	3	3,247,612	2	2,743,087		2,311,717	2	2,010,105	16
Stockholders equity	4	417,309		329,225		268,446		207,312		176,144	25
Common shares outstanding:											
Basic		38,477		36,071		34,132		32,062		31,691	
Diluted		39,721		37,273		35,252		33,241		32,624	
AT PERIOD END											
Loans	\$4,	398,286	\$ 3	3,734,905	\$ 3	3,015,997	\$	2,381,798	\$ 2	2,007,990	20
Investment securities	9	990,687		879,978		659,891		559,390		470,176	14
Earning assets	5,4	470,718	4	1,738,389	3	3,796,332		3,029,409	2	2,554,530	18
Total assets	5,	865,756	5	5,087,702	4	4,068,834		3,211,344	2	2,749,257	18
Deposits	4,4	477,600	3	3,680,516	2	2,857,449		2,385,239	2	2,116,499	18
Stockholders equity	4	472,686		397,088		299,373		221,579		194,665	24
Common shares outstanding		40,020		38,168		35,289		31,895		32,266	

#### (1) Excludes pre-tax merger-related and restructuring charges totaling \$.9 million, or \$.02 per diluted common share, recorded in 2004; \$2.1 million, or \$.04 per diluted common share, recorded in 2003; and \$1.6 million, or \$.03 per diluted common share, recorded in 2001.

(2) Net income available to

common stockholders, which excludes preferred stock dividends, divided by average realized common equity which excludes accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).

- (3) Excludes effect of acquisition related intangibles and associated amortization.
- (4) Compound annual growth rate.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, United has duly caused this Report on Form 10-K, as amended, to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Blairsville, State of Georgia, on the 6<sup>th</sup> of March, 2006.

# **UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.** (Registrant)

By: /s/ *Jimmy C. Tallent*Jimmy C. Tallent
President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

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

By: /s/ Alan H. Kumler
Alan H. Kumler
Senior Vice President, Controller and
Chief Accounting Officer (Principal
Accounting Officer)

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#### /s/ Jimmy C. Tallent

Jimmy C. Tallent President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)

Robert L. Head, Jr. Chairman of the Board

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W. C. Nelson, Jr. Vice Chairman of the Board

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#### A. William Bennett

Director			
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Robert Blalock Director			
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Guy W. Freeman Director			
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Thomas C. Gilliland
Director

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Charles E. Hill
Director

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Hoyt O. Holloway
Director

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Clarence W. Mason, Sr.
Director

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Tim Wallis
Director

\*By: /s/ Jimmy C. Tallent

Jimmy C. Tallent Attorney-in-fact

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#### **EXHIBIT INDEX**

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