

## United Community Banks, Inc. Announces Annual Shareholders' Meeting

BLAIRSVILLE, GA -- (Marketwire) -- 04/06/12 -- United Community Banks, Inc. (NASDAQ: UCBI) announced that it will host its annual shareholders' meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 23, 2012, at The Ridges Resort in Young Harris, Georgia.

President and Chief Executive Officer Jimmy Tallent will review and discuss the Company's performance and current operating environment. United also will conduct a formal business meeting. United Community Banks' shareholders of record at the close of business March 30, 2012, will receive notice of the annual meeting.

Proxy materials to include United's 2012 Proxy Statement, 2011 Annual Report, and 2011 Form 10-K are available on-line at <a href="https://www.ucbi.com/2012proxy">ucbi.com/2012proxy</a>, and will remain for a period of one year. E-mail or paper copies can be requested on-line, free of charge.

## About United Community Banks, Inc.

Headquartered in Blairsville, United Community Banks is the third-largest bank holding company in Georgia. United Community Banks has assets of \$7 billion and operates 27 community banks with 106 banking offices throughout north Georgia, the Atlanta region, coastal Georgia, western North Carolina and east Tennessee. The Company specializes in providing personalized community banking services to individuals and small to mid-size businesses. United Community Banks also offers the convenience of 24-hour access through a network of ATMs, telephone and on-line banking. United Community Banks common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol UCBI. Additional information may be found at the Company's web site at <a href="https://www.ucbi.com">www.ucbi.com</a>.

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