FREEMAN GUY W

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FREEMAN GUY W | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC [UCBI] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|----|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) PO BOX 125 | (Last) (First) (Middle) PO BOX 1256 | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/09/2005 | X Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | |
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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--------|-------------|--|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | le I - Non-I | Derivative S | Securi | ities Acqu | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4) | sposed | of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | 12/09/2005 | | F | 8,492 | D | \$ 27.56 | 93,275 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 12/09/2005 | | M | 9,000 | A | \$ 12.67 | 102,275 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 12/09/2005 | | M | 10,284 | A | \$ 11.67 | 112,559 | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 2,105.7188 (3) | I | Elizabeth C. Freeman (Spouse) | |

3,876.887

By 401K

Common Stock

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of definition of the first state of the f | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|------------------|---|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | ŕ | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amour or Numbe of Shar |
| Option to Purchase Common Stock | \$ 12.67 | 12/09/2005 | | M | 9,000 | 04/20/2000(1) | 04/20/2010 | Common Stock | 9,00 |
| Option to Purchase Common Stock | \$ 11.67 | 12/09/2005 | | M | 10,284 | 04/18/2001(2) | 04/18/2011 | Common Stock | 10,28 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|------------|--------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| 1 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| FREEMAN GUY W PO BOX 1256 BLAIRSVILLE, GA 30514 | X | | Executive Vice President | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | |
| Lois J. Rich by Power of Attorney | | 12/13/2005 | | | | | |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | | Date | | | | | |

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) 2000 Options were 20% vested on date of grant, then vested an additional 20% each annual anniversary.
- (2) 2001 Options were 20% vested on date of grant, then vested an additional 20% each annual anniversary.
- (3) Includes 2,105.7188 shares owned by Mr. Freeman's spouse for which he claims beneficial ownership.

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