

UNITED COMMUNITY FINANCIAL CORP
Form 8-K
September 29, 2009

**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): September 23, 2009

UNITED COMMUNITY FINANCIAL CORP.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

OHIO (State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	0-024399 (Commission File Number)	34-1856319 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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275 West Federal Street, Youngstown, Ohio (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	44503-1203 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(330) 742-0500**

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))

Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(d) On September 23, 2009, the Boards of Directors of United Community Financial Corp. and The Home Savings and Loan Company of Youngstown, Ohio appointed F. Scott O'Donnell to the Board of Directors of UCFC and the Board of Directors of Home Savings. Mr. O'Donnell was appointed to fill newly created vacancies on both Boards. Mr. O'Donnell also was appointed to the Board Loan, Compliance and Nominating and Governance Committees of the Board.

On September 23, 2009, the Compensation Committee and the UCFC Board approved the award of 4,000 options to acquire UCFC shares to Mr. O'Donnell under the UCFC 2007 Amended and Restated Long-Term Incentive Plan. Each of the option awards vest in three equal installments on each of December 31, 2009, December 31, 2010 and December 31, 2011. The options have an exercise price of \$1.71 per share and are subject to the terms and conditions of the 2007 Plan. The options awarded to Mr. O'Donnell were nonqualified stock options.

A copy of the 2007 Plan is attached as Exhibit 10.9 to the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, and a copy of the form of Award Agreement is attached as Exhibit 10.4 to the Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2009; each of which is incorporated herein by reference.

A copy of the press release announcing the appointment of Mr. O'Donnell is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release dated September 23, 2009

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

UNITED COMMUNITY FINANCIAL CORP.

By: /s/ Jude J. Nohra

Jude J. Nohra, General Counsel & Secretary

Date: September 29, 2009

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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