

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
October 12, 2012

**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): October 12, 2012

**WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Illinois**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**001-35077**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**36-3873352**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

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**9700 W. Higgins Road, Suite 800**

**Rosemont, Illinois**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code (847) 939-9000**

**60018**  
(Zip Code)

**727 North Bank Lane**

**Lake Forest, Illinois 60045**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last year)

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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**

Wintrust Financial Corporation (the Company) is filing this Current Report on Form 8-K to reflect the retrospective adoption of a new accounting pronouncement with respect to the financial information contained in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011. As previously disclosed in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2012 (filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 9, 2012) and the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2012 (filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 9, 2012), during the quarter ended March 31, 2012, the Company adopted FASB Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-05, Presentation of Comprehensive Income (ASU 2011-05), which amends the presentation formats permitted for reporting other comprehensive income. This ASU no longer allows other comprehensive income to be presented as part of the statement of changes in shareholders' equity. Entities must present other comprehensive income and its components in a single statement along with net income or in a separate, consecutive statement of other comprehensive income. The Company adopted ASU No. 2011-05 in the first quarter of 2012.

The following presents the retrospective application of ASU 2011-05, as revised by FASB Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-12, Deferral of the Effective Date for Amendments to the Presentation of Reclassifications of Items Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income in Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-05, for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009 and should be read in conjunction with the information in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011:

## WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(In thousands)	Years Ended December 31,		
	2011	2010	2009
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 77,575</b>	<b>\$ 63,329</b>	<b>\$ 73,069</b>
<b>Unrealized gains (losses) on securities</b>			
Before tax	4,467	9,579	680
Tax effect	(1,862)	(3,754)	(277)
Net of tax	2,605	5,825	403
Less: Reclassification of net gains (losses) included in net income			
Before tax	1,792	9,832	(268)
Tax effect	(712)	(3,787)	103
Net of tax	1,080	6,045	(165)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting			
Before tax		254	503
Tax effect		(98)	(194)
Net of tax		156	309
Net unrealized gains (losses) on securities	1,525	(64)	877
<b>Unrealized gains on derivative instruments</b>			
Before tax	1,690	2,164	5,062
Tax effect	(581)	(834)	(1,950)
Net unrealized gains on derivative instruments	1,109	1,330	3,112
<b>Total other comprehensive income</b>	<b>2,634</b>	<b>1,266</b>	<b>3,989</b>
<b>Comprehensive income</b>	<b>\$ 80,209</b>	<b>\$ 64,595</b>	<b>\$ 77,058</b>

The information included in this Current Report on Form 8-K is presented for information purposes only in connection with the reporting change described above and does not amend or restate the Company's audited consolidated financial statements which were included in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011. This Current Report on Form 8-K does not reflect events occurring after February 29, 2012, the date the Company filed its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, and does not modify or update the disclosures therein in any way, other than to reflect the adoption of the new accounting standards as described above. You should therefore read this Current Report on Form 8-K in conjunction with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 and with the Company's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission after February 29, 2012.

**Signature**

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 hereunto duly authorized.

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Registrant)

By: /s/ David L. Stoehr  
David L. Stoehr  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: October 12, 2012