

# TCU THIS WEEK

EVENTS AND INFORMATION FOR THE TCU COMMUNITY

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## Date set for "Firing Line" flat tax debate broadcast

OFFICIALS AT TWO NORTH TEXAS public television stations have confirmed broadcast dates for the PBS "Firing Line" debate, "Resolved: A flat tax would be better than the current income tax." The two-hour program was taped Nov. 30 in Ed Landreth Auditorium. It will be broadcast on Dec. 22 at 8 p.m. on Channel 13, KERA-TV, and on Dec. 24 at 2 p.m. on Channel 2, KDTN-TV. The program also will air nationally on PBS in prime time on 238 U.S. stations in December. An audience of 2.6 million households is expected.

An enthusiastic audience turned out for the event, completely filling the 1,250-seat auditorium. An overflow audience of at least 100 watched the taping on a large-screen television in the Student Center ballroom.

TCU co-sponsored the debate with the National Center for Policy Analysis, a free-market think tank with headquarters in Dallas. The program also was sponsored by the Hatton W. Sumners Foundation as part of its lecture series.

A poll of TCU students conducted by business students in John Thompson's marketing special studies class was featured in the program. Of 509 students surveyed, 35 percent agreed that a flat tax would be better than the existing income tax, while 26 percent disagreed. The survey indicated that 22 percent of respondents said they had no opinion, and 17 percent said they didn't understand the issue. The survey had a 5 percent margin of error.

(see *Debate on back*)

## Keynote speaker, Deans' Teaching Award will highlight commencement

APPROXIMATELY 460 GRADUATES will make their way across stage Saturday (Dec. 16) for this year's winter commencement ceremony at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. The students and their families and friends will be welcomed by Chancellor Bill Tucker before hearing comments from Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-Texas), who will deliver the keynote address.

Hutchison, who grew up in La Marque, attended law school at the

## EVENTS

### Dec. 11-14

Payroll department seminars on the filing of new scannable student time sheets, 10 a.m. each day, Student Center 203.

### Dec. 11

Carols by Candlelight holiday musical celebration featuring the Dorothy Shaw Bell Choir, 10 p.m., Robert Carr Chapel. Free and open to all. Hot cider served afterwards.

### Dec. 12

Human Resources brown bag, noon-1 p.m., come watch "The Muppets Christmas Carol"; Part 2 will be shown Dec. 19. \*\*\*

### Dec. 13

Internet informational drop-in session, Library training room, second floor, 9-11 a.m.

OSP Christmas Luncheon, noon, Student Center ballroom.

### Dec. 15

Semester ends

### Dec. 16

Commencement, 3:30 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

### Dec. 19

Human Resources brown bag, noon-1 p.m., Part 2 of "The Muppets Christmas Carol." \*\*\*

Faculty/staff holiday party, 3:30 to 5 p.m., Student Center ballroom.

Men's basketball — TCU vs. UNT, 7 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. \*\*

### Dec. 20

WordPerfect 5.1 training, 8 a.m.-noon. \*\*\*

### Dec. 21

Women's basketball — TCU vs. Arkansas, 7 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. \*\*

University of Texas before working as a reporter in Houston. She began her career in politics after moving to Washington to serve as press secretary to fellow Texan Anne Armstrong, co-chair of the Republican National Committee. She was named 1995 Republican Woman of the Year by the National Federation of Republican Women and Outstanding University of Texas Law Alumnus for 1995.

The ceremony also will include the presentation of the Deans' Teaching Award for significant and meritorious achievement in teaching. This year's nominees are: Gregg Franzwa, philosophy; David Minter, chemistry; James Riddlesperger, political science; M. Eugene Boring, Brite Divinity School; In-Mu Haw, accounting; Joel Mitchell, physical education; Thad Duhigg, art and art history; Gerald Grotta, journalism; and Patricia Bradley, Harris College of Nursing.

### Dec. 22

Men's basketball — TCU vs. Coppin State, 7 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. \*\*

### Dec. 25-Jan. 2

University offices closed.

### Dec. 27

Women's Basketball — TCU vs. Grambling, 7 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. \*\*

### Jan. 2

Women's Basketball — TCU vs. Alcorn State, 7 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. \*\*

### Jan. 3

Men's Basketball — TCU vs. Alaska-Anchorage, 7 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. \*\*

### Jan. 7

Men's Basketball — TCU vs. Montana State, 3 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. \*\*

### Jan. 10

Men's Basketball — TCU vs. Texas Tech, 7 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. \*\*

### Jan. 13

Women's Basketball — TCU vs. Texas, 7 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. \*\*

### Jan. 15

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday. University offices closed.

\*Call the music department at Ext. 7602 for more information.

\*\*Call the ticket office at Ext. 7967 for more information.

\*\*\*Call Human Resources at Ext. 7790 for more information.

Before the 3:30 p.m. commencement, there will be a reception for graduates and their families from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the Student Center ballroom.

Faculty members who plan to march in the faculty procession during commencement must notify Anantha Babbili, chief marshal, at Ext. 7425, by today. ♦

## Celebrate the Season at campuswide party

TCU'S ANNUAL FACULTY/STAFF holiday party will be held on Dec. 19 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in the Student Center ballroom. There will be plenty of edible holiday treats for this festive celebration and music will be provided by talented colleagues. A special guest appearance will be made by Santa and Mrs. Claus. Please come join this holiday celebration. ♦

(Debate continued from front)

Michael Kinsley of CNN's "Crossfire" program moderated the program. The debate team arguing for the flat tax included "Firing Line" host William F. Buckley, former California Gov. Jerry Brown, former Delaware Gov. Pete du Pont and John Goodman, president of the National Center for Policy Analysis in Dallas. The opposing team included former presidential candidate George McGovern, MIT economist Lester Thurow, economics writer Robert Kuttner and Steven Mann, Neeley School assistant professor of finance.

Dick Arney and Colorado congresswoman Patricia Schroeder were originally scheduled as panelists, but both of them decided to remain in Washington D.C., to monitor pending legislation.

Two 30-minute "Firing Line" programs on the flat tax issue also were taped for broadcast later on PBS. The regular "Firing Line" programs, hosted by Buckley, will air nationwide on PBS stations in January. Local broadcast dates for those programs have not been announced. ♦

## Community heroes sought to carry Olympic torch

NOMINATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED now through Dec. 15 for "community heroes" to carry the official Olympic torch as it makes its 15,000-mile journey across America to Atlanta, Ga. Tarrant County United Way is looking for individuals who have served other people in exceptional ways to carry the 3 and 1/2-pound torch on the Tarrant County leg of its journey.

To be eligible, nominees must be 12 or older and must be able to advance the torch up to one kilometer. Nominees do not have to be runners and individuals may nominate themselves or more than one person. Each nomination must include a paragraph describing why the nominee is a community hero in 100 or fewer words.

Nomination forms are available by calling the United Way at 462-4974 or

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## Campus greetings keep on giving

DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON in 1972, a faculty/staff Christmas cards scholarship fund was established by Dean Libby Proffer and others to encourage giving to a scholarship fund instead of sending cards to on-campus friends.

During this season of giving, contributions are again being accepted in the Financial Aid office, Sadler Hall 108, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. They also may be mailed to TCU Box 30787. Last year's contributions totaled \$315. The current market value of the fund is \$15,413.

Gifts to specific funds should be designated by donors on their checks or by attached notes. There is no minimum donation. ♦

## 'Stars on Ice,' hockey discount tickets available

EXPERIENCE THE EXCITEMENT of seeing "Stars on Ice" Friday, Jan. 26, 1996, at Reunion Arena. Skating stars such as Olympic medalists Kristi Yamaguchi, Scott Hamilton, Katarina Witt and Paul Wylie will join an impressive line up of figure skating champions who will celebrate the 10th anniversary of "Discover Card Stars on Ice." A limited supply of discount tickets will be on sale at the Student Center information desk after the first of the year. Tickets will be sold for \$22 on a first-come, first-served basis. Ticket sales will benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Discount tickets also will be available at the Student Center information desk after Jan. 15 for the Feb. 28 Dallas Stars vs. Philadelphia Flyers hockey game. First-come, first-served tickets will sell for \$22.50 which will allow you to sit in the priority terrace. ♦

## Library stocks bestsellers

THE MARY COUTS BURNETT LIBRARY now has a popular reading collection. Under an agreement with the McNaughton Company, the library is now lending current bestsellers and other popular books. The core collection of 400 titles is housed in the Reference Room. Each month, the library selects 20 new books and returns 20 old ones. These books can be checked out for two weeks. ♦

## Free Sam's Club passes available

HUMAN RESOURCES HAS FREE PASSES to Sam's Club valid until Dec. 31, 1995. Please come by the Human Resources office to pick them up or call Ext. 7790 for more information. ♦

## Publication will resume Jan. 15

JUST A REMINDER: *TCU This Week* will not publish again until Jan. 15, 1996. The deadline for submissions for that issue is Jan. 8. ♦

## DEATHS

Sympathy is extended to Bill Wilson (instructional services) in the death of his mother, Helen Wilson. She died Nov. 28 in Aledo. Graveside services were held Dec. 1 in Corsicana.

## CLASSIFIEDS

FOR RENT: Want a change in living environment? Try this "ski lodge" in Fort Worth. Two bedrooms, two bathrooms, with heated garage. Call Fred at 921-7499.

FOR SALE: Pioneer AM/FM receiver, turntable, two large speakers and two smaller speakers. Sell all as a package for only \$95. Call Ext. 7865 or 926-3814.

FOR RENT: Unfurnished two-bedroom duplex near campus, with stove and refrigerator. Available spring semester to non-smoker (no pets). Call Ext. 6732.

FOR SALE: Hammond organ, mint condition, \$650. Call Penny at Ext. 5257 or 738-1385 after 6:45 p.m.

FOR SALE: Couch, 84" in length, beige/blue/peach tweed fabric, great condition, \$150. Call Ext. 6108 or 478-5709.

FOR LEASE: Two-bedroom, one-bath duplex in Monticello area. Upstairs unit includes dining room, large bedrooms, walk-in closet, hardwood floors, recently renovated kitchen and bathroom, all new appliances, stacked washer/dryer unit. Approximately 1,450 square feet, plus garage. Monitored security system and yard care provided. You pay utilities and \$750 per month rent; \$500 deposit required. Available Jan. 12. Call (202) 687-4315 for more information.

FOR SALE: 1991 Honda Accord EX, loaded, 54,000 miles, dark blue/tan interior. \$10,500 negotiable. Call Ext. 5063 or 551-5724 after 6 p.m. and weekends.

FOR SALE: 1989 Honda Accord 2-door coupe, 5-speed, metallic gold exterior, brown interior, 80,000 miles. Well-maintained and in great shape. Retail: \$7,000; asking: \$6,400. Call 920-4783.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Human Resources office lists the following vacancies as of Dec. 4. For more information on any of these positions, call Ext. 7790.

Director/Center for Productive Communication — School of Business

Assistant Program Director and Tennis Pro — Athletics

Director — Financial Aid

Administrative Assistant II — Facility Services

Administrative Assistant II — Advancement/Frog Club

Accompanist/Technique Classes — Ballet/Modern Dance

Security Guard — Campus Police

Plasterer — Physical Plant

Cabinet Maker — Physical Plant

Service Assistant I (p/t) — Facility Services