

ACU Adds CPAC 2012 'Fight Club Debate' Featuring Tucker Carlson and Paul Begala

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Last Day of CPAC 2012 to Feature Former Governor Sarah Palin, and Governor Bobby Jindal

WASHINGTON, DC – The American Conservative Union (ACU) today announced the addition of the CPAC 2012 'Fight Club Debate,' featuring Tucker Carlson in the "right corner" and Paul Begala in the "left corner." America's largest gathering of conservative leaders and activists continues through tomorrow, Saturday, February 11, 2012. The last day of CPAC 2012 will feature former Governor Sarah Palin, Governor Bobby Jindal, the announcement of the *Washington Times*' CPAC 2012 Presidential Straw Poll results and more.

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12:30 PM – 1:00 PM, Saturday, February 11, 2012 CPAC 2012 – Delaware Room (Lobby Level) Marriott Wardman Park Hotel 2660 Woodley Road, NW Washington, District Of Columbia 20008

Participants:

Tucker Carlson in the Right Corner

As a contributor to *FOX News*, the editor-in-chief of the *Daily Caller* news site and a senior fellow at the Cato Institute, Tucker Carlson deconstructs the day's events with wry skepticism, a unique perspective and provocative interviews. Carlson has hosted a number of different nightly news programs on various networks over the past 10 years, including CNN's Crossfire, and several shows on MSNBC and PBS. One of the media's wittiest and most entertaining commentators, Carlson brings his informed viewpoint to discuss politics in America including his take on the divided Congress, the administration of Barack Obama and the 2012 elections.

Paul Begala in the Left Corner

is a Democratic strategist who serves as a political contributor for CNN, appearing frequently on CNN's The Situation Room as well as other programs on all CNN networks. Begala was formerly co-host of Crossfire, CNN's political debate program. Begala first entered the national political scene after the consulting firm he and fellow Democratic strategist James Carville started, Carville & Begala, helped President Bill Clinton get elected in 1992. Serving in the Clinton administration as counselor to the president, he was a close adviser to Clinton and helped define and defend the administration's agenda, serving as a principal public spokesman.

Every year, the ACU brings thousands of grassroots conservatives and conservative leaders together in Washington, DC for three days of blockbuster speeches, policy discussions and networking opportunities – all celebrating the shared principles of smaller government, a strong national defense and traditional values. Based on this year's theme, "We *STILL* Hold These Truths", CPAC 2012 will feature grassroots training and strategizing to strengthen the conservative movement and ensure conservatives have the resources and tools necessary to defeat the Obama agenda in November. The full agenda is now available online at <u>www.cpac.org</u>.

The American Conservative Union is America's oldest and largest grassroots conservative organization and was founded in 1964. The ACU has hosted CPAC in the Nation's Capital since 1973. To view CPAC 2012 online, please visit <u>www.cpac.org</u>.