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Poconos Network to Show *Jim Thorpe – All American* Movie chronicling life of athlete, town's namesake, premieres February 6th

January 13, 2022 – With the Winter Olympic Games getting underway and the stage nearly set for Super Bowl LVI, the Pocono Television Network (PTN) proudly announces it will show the feature film *Jim Thorpe – All American* on three dates starting the first Sunday in February. The special presentation is brought to viewers free of charge thanks to Mauch Chunk Trust Company.

Jim Thorpe - All-American is a biographical film produced by Warner Bros. in 1951 honoring Jim Thorpe, the legendary Native American athlete who won medals at the 1912 Olympics and is commonly known as the greatest athlete of the 20th Century. Burt Lancaster portrays Thorpe for whom the town nestled in the Pocono Mountains is named.

"This film captures the essence of who Jim Thorpe was as a man and athlete, rising past adversity and achieving countless accolades in his amateur and professional careers," said Chris Barrett, President/CEO of the Pocono Mountains Visitors Bureau which operates PTN. "We are pleased to share this important piece of cinema with residents and visitors of the Poconos to help keep the memory of Thorpe alive."

Pocono Television Network will air the 107-minute film about the Olympian and founder of the National Football League (NFL) on three dates in February across many of its available channels including cable (Blue Ridge Cable 734, Service Electric Cable - Lehigh Valley 189, Service Electric Cable – Wilkes-Barre 192, RCN – Philadelphia 41) and broadcast (WDPN 2.8 in Philadelphia). Showtimes are listed below.

A memorial to Jim Thorpe, including his remains, is located in the borough which changed its name from Mauch Chunk to Jim Thorpe shortly after the athlete's death in 1953. Jim Thorpe, PA is also a popular destination for visitors annually because of its charming shops and restaurants as well as its historic architecture set along the Lehigh River and Lehigh Gorge State Park.

"Academy Award winner Burt Lancaster stars as the legendary athlete who rises from poverty on a Native American reservation to graduate from college and win more gold medals than any other athlete in the 1912 Olympics--the story of a hero, **Jim Thorpe - All American**," reads the description from Warner Bros. "But Thorpe's life is a constant struggle against racial prejudice: Despite his talent and his desire to coach, no one will hire an American Indian; and his Olympic medals are taken from him because he had accepted money to play basketball to help pay for college. Yet, like any hero, through the triumphs and the tragedies, Thorpe never surrenders."

Schedule

Sunday, February 6, 2022 at 8 p.m. (repeat 10 p.m.)
Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 8 p.m. (repeat 10 p.m.)
Sunday, February 20, 2022 at 10 a.m. (repeat 8 p.m.)

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