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CPTV Sports Announces Game and Program Highlights for December 1–7

Highlights Include Encore Presentations of the UChoose Thanksgiving Day High School Football Game and the 2014 CIAC Class LL and Class S Boys Soccer Finals, Plus a New Episode of CPTV Sports' *Best in Connecticut Sports Spotlight Series*

HARTFORD, Conn. (November 26, 2014) – CPTV Sports is Connecticut's only 24-hour local sports network, covering statewide high school sports, college match-ups, professional sports competitions and more. For December 1–7, CPTV Sports' program highlights include:

Monday, December 1

5:30 p.m. – *House Family: A Season in the Life of the Hillhouse High School Girls Basketball Team*, including a special *GameTime* update edition (For more information about this program, click [here](#).)

7 p.m. – *Alone in the Wilderness*: This documentary follows Richard Proenneke, who built a cabin in the Alaskan wilderness and stayed to become part of the country.

8 p.m. – *Alaska: Silence and Solitude*: This film is a follow-up to *Alone in the Wilderness*, filmed 20 years later. Revisit Dick Proenneke, who for nearly 30 years made a life in the remote wilderness of Alaska.

9 p.m. – CIAC Class LL Boys Soccer Final: Glastonbury vs. Farmington

Tuesday, December 2

7 p.m. – *Beyond the Beat (Premiere)*

7:30 p.m. – *Going, Going, Gone...* : This CPTV Original documentary takes a look at youth sports culture in Connecticut and questions the physical and mental costs imposed on young players.

8:30 p.m. – *Frontline: League of Denial*: The documentary series *Frontline* explores the long concealment of the link between football-related head injuries and brain disorders.

Wednesday, December 3

4 p.m. – CIAC Class S Boys Soccer Final: East Hampton vs. Somers

6:30 p.m. – *The Best of Men*: The birth of the Paralympics in 1948 is explored in this drama, as paralyzed soldiers have sports introduced into their rehabilitation by a forward-thinking doctor.

8 p.m. – *P.O.V.: Racing Dreams*: This film from the documentary series *P.O.V.* chronicles a year in the life of three “twens” who dream of becoming NASCAR drivers. They race extreme go-karts at speeds of up to 70 miles per hour in the World Karting Association's National Pavement Series.

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Thursday, December 4

7 p.m. – *GameTime* (Premiere)

7:30 p.m. – CPTV Sports' UChoose High School Football Game: Norwich Free Academy at New London

Friday, December 5

7 p.m. – *Independent Lens: Indian Relay*: The competitive and dangerous nature of Indian Relay horse racing, still practiced today, is explored in this documentary.

9 p.m. – *Ashes to Glory*: This inspiring comeback story documents the journey of the grief-stricken Marshall University Thundering Herd football team, which rose to glory following a horrific tragedy.

10:30 p.m. – CPTV Sports' UChoose High School Football Game: Norwich Free Academy at New London

Saturday, December 6

7 p.m. – *Best in Connecticut Sports Spotlight* (Premiere): This new episode in the original *Best in Connecticut Sports Spotlight* series continues to explore local sports stories from a number of towns, including Guilford and Cheshire. These stories profile exceptional athletic achievement, as well as tales of triumph off the field.

7:30 p.m. – *Fifty*: This fun and historic look at the sport of extreme skiing features incredible footage.

Sunday, December 7

8 p.m. – *Fifty*: This fun and historic look at the sport of extreme skiing features incredible footage.

10 p.m. – *Legacy: Austria's Influence on American Skiing*: Learn why Austrian skiers came to the Americas, and how the Austrian alpine culture that they brought influenced the development of the American ski world.

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About CPTV Sports

A not-for-profit channel owned and managed by Connecticut Public Television (CPTV), CPTV Sports is Connecticut's only 24-hour local sports network broadcasting Connecticut high school, college and professional sports. CPTV Sports brings viewers games from the state's high schools, including live coverage of CIAC state championships, and coverage from Yale, Sacred Heart, CCSU and other state universities.

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Professional and semi-professional teams such as the Connecticut Sun (WNBA basketball), New Britain Rock Cats (MiLB baseball), CFC Azul (PDL soccer), and the Connecticut Wildcats (AMNRL rugby) give viewers a chance to see the best professional competition in the state, while coverage of unique events such as horse show jumping, Little League baseball, auto racing, roller derby, bowling, women's fast-pitch softball, dog shows, robotics, spelling bees, CSL soccer, and the Nutmeg State Games provides a broad range of competitions throughout the state. For additional information, visit CPTVSports.org. CPTV is a media service of the Connecticut Public Broadcasting Network (CPBN). It is a locally and nationally recognized producer and presenter of quality public television programming, including original documentaries, public affairs shows and educational programming. CPTV has built a reputation as a leader in children's programming, including playing an historic role in bringing *Barney & Friends*™, *Bob the Builder*™ and *Thomas & Friends*™ to public television. The station offers 11.5 hours of positive, nurturing children's programs each weekday, reaching 450,000 households each week. For more information, visit CPTV.org.

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