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CPTV Sports Announces Its Program Highlights for May 25-31 and the Winning Game of the UChoose Memorial Day Weekend Challenge

Highlights include the winning game of the UChoose Memorial Day Weekend Challenge: the softball game between Berlin and Coginchaug Regional-Durham. Highlights also include the premieres of boys high school volleyball and baseball games and the SCC championship games for boys and girls lacrosse.

HARTFORD, Conn. (May 21, 2015) – CPTV Sports is Connecticut’s only 24-hour local sports network, covering statewide high school sports, college matchups, professional sports competitions and more. CPTV Sports is pleased to announce that it will premiere the winning game of the UChoose Memorial Day Weekend Challenge on Thursday, May 28 at 3:30 p.m.

Over the past few weeks, CPTV Sports asked Connecticut sports fans to vote for the high school game they would like CPTV Sports to tape over Memorial Day weekend. With an impressive 42.9 percent of the vote, the softball game between the Berlin Redcoats and the Coginchaug Regional Blue Devils of Durham was the winner. This game will be recorded in Durham on Friday, May 22. Following its CPTV Sports premiere on May 28, encore broadcasts of the game will air on Saturday, May 30 at 9:30 p.m. and Sunday, May 31 at 6:30 p.m.

For May 25-31, CPTV Sports’ game and program highlights also include the premieres of boys high school volleyball and baseball games, plus the premieres of the Southern Connecticut Conference (SCC) championship games for boys and girls lacrosse. The complete highlights schedule is as follows:

Monday, May 25

7:30 p.m. – Boys High School Volleyball: Shelton at Ridgefield (Premiere)

9:30 p.m. – Boys High School Lacrosse: East Lyme at Daniel Hand-Madison

Tuesday, May 26

7 p.m. – *Beyond the Beat* (Premiere)

7:30 p.m. – High School Softball: Morgan-Clinton at Suffield

9:30 p.m. – Girls High School Lacrosse: Amistad-New Haven at Lewis Mills-Burlington

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Wednesday, May 27

7 p.m. – *In Focus* (Premiere)

7:30 p.m. – *Breaking Through the Clouds: The First Women's National Air Derby* – The story of the women who took part in the first women's national air derby in 1929 is told in this documentary.

9 p.m. – Boys High School Volleyball: Shelton at Ridgefield

Thursday, May 28

3:30 p.m. – High School Softball: Berlin at Coginchaug Regional-Durham (UChoose Memorial Day Weekend Challenge Winner; Premiere)

7 p.m. – *GameTime* (Premiere)

8 p.m. – *America's Ballroom Challenge Mini Marathon* (CPTV Sports Premiere) – Hosted by former U.S. dance champions Mary Murphy and Tony Meredith, this competition features all four major styles of competitive ballroom dancing: American Smooth, American Rhythm, International Standard and International Latin. All three parts of this series air back to back starting at 8 p.m.

Friday, May 29

6 p.m. – Boys High School Volleyball: Shelton at Ridgefield

9 p.m. – Movie Classics on CPTV Sports: *That's Entertainment I* – This collection of sequences from MGM's great movie musicals features Fred Astaire, Gene Kelly and Bing Crosby, and includes segments from such classics as *Anchors Aweigh*, *Babes in Arms*, *The Wizard of Oz* and more.

Saturday, May 30

5 p.m. – Movie Classics on CPTV Sports: *That's Entertainment I* (For more information, see Friday, May 29 at 9 p.m., above.)

7:30 p.m. – High School Baseball: E.O. Smith at Windham (Premiere)

9:30 p.m. – High School Softball: Berlin at Coginchaug Regional-Durham (UChoose Memorial Day Weekend Challenge Winner)

Sunday, May 31

6:30 p.m. – High School Softball: Berlin at Coginchaug Regional-Durham (UChoose Memorial Day Weekend Challenge Winner)

8:30 p.m. – Boys High School Lacrosse: Southern Connecticut Conference (SCC) Championship (Premiere)

10:30 p.m. – Girls High School Lacrosse: Southern Connecticut Conference (SCC) Championship (Premiere)

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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. Professional and semi-professional teams such as the Connecticut Sun (WNBA basketball), New Britain Rock Cats (MiLB baseball) 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 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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