A Conversation with Film Writer

Angelo Pizzo

Tuesday, November 16, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
University Club Presidents’ Room

Join us for a talk and Q&A with film writer Angelo Pizzo on his newest project, the story of Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School Football Team.

Film writer Angelo Pizzo of Hoosiers and Rudy fame returns to football in his newest project, the story of the 1911-12 Carlisle Indian School (Pennsylvania) team that was the focus of the book by Washington Post columnist Sally Jenkins, The Real All Americans: The Team that Changed a Game, a Team, a Nation. The team, which regularly played Ivy League schools, in November 1912, defeated the U.S. Military Academy team that included future U.S. President Dwight Eisenhower and showcased the talents of Carlisle’s star Jim Thorpe. A remarkable and versatile athlete, Thorpe also won two Olympic Gold Medals. Using speed and ingenuity, the team is credited with introducing the spiral throw and innovative formations in a sport that had been defined by size and brawn. The story is not only about football, however, as Carlisle was among the schools created to erase Indian culture, and that shameful legacy remains relevant in current times. Pizzo, inspired since boyhood by Thorpe’s accomplishments and long interested in the Carlisle story, will be working with producer Ray Halbritter, Oneida Indian Nation Representative and his Standing Arrow Productions.

Born in Illinois, raised in Indiana, and educated at Indiana University and the University of Southern California, Pizzo now lives in Bloomington. Among his many honors, he has been named a Sagamore of the Wabash, awarded IU’s Thomas Hart Benton Medallion, and inducted into the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame. His films include Hoosiers, Rudy, The Game of Their Lives and My All American.

MENU: TASTE OF ITALIA BUFFET
Garlic Bread, Fresh Garden Salad with Two House Dressings
Spaghetti and Penne
House Tomato and Pesto Sauces | CONTAINS NUTS
Grilled Chicken, Italian Meatballs
Seasonal Vegetables | GF | VEGAN

Reservations are $30 for members and $32 for non-members.

Reservation deadline: NOVEMBER 5