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**Showings of “Camp Amache” documentary film  
scheduled Feb. 5 in Hoag Theatre at PCC**

**PUEBLO** – Two special presentations of “Camp Amache: The story of an American Tragedy” will be shown in Hoag Theatre at Pueblo Community College on Saturday, Feb. 5. The hour-long documentary of the wrongful internment of Japanese-Americans and people of Japanese ancestry during WWII is scheduled to be shown at both 2 p.m. and 5 p.m.

The award-winning film was produced and directed by Canon City filmmaker Don Dexter, and Sandy Dexter created the script and served as assistant producer. Both will be present at the showings to discuss the film, answer audience questions and sign autographs.

In February 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed executive Order 9066, which forced more than 110,000 Japanese-Americans and people of Japanese ancestry living on the west coast to be interred inland at ten different camps. One of these camps was called Camp Amache, located in southeastern Colorado near Granada. It housed more than 7,000 people for approximately three years.

The documentary took two years to film. All shooting locations were in Colorado including the Denver metro area, Granada, Lamar, and Camp Amache. A number of Japanese-American survivors were interviewed and featured in the film.

"This is a great opportunity for students, staff and community members to learn about a wrong which happened in our own state during war time," said Diane Porter, Executive Director of the PCC Foundation. "This insightful documentary should give us all an awakening on how legal immigrants and children who became naturalized citizens were treated in our country during wars or attacks.

"This film, with statements given by the author afterwards, should help us realize that most of our own ancestors came here from other countries to live a free life."

Tickets for either showing are \$10 and student tickets \$5. Tickets are available through the PCC Foundation office in Room 194 of the Davis Academic Building or by calling 549-3301. All proceeds will go to the Fremont Campus expansion fund-raising campaign.

Hoag Theatre is located in the lower level of PCC's Davis Academic Building.

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