“Movies of the Mind” devoted to making you think

Gardens campus begins new film series

(Feb. 14, 2007 – Palm Beach Gardens) Palm Beach Community College in Palm Beach Gardens has initiated a new film series, “Movies of the Mind,” for students and the public this spring.

The first, “The Power of One” on Mar. 14, focuses on apartheid in South Africa. PBCC Professor Andrew Luma, Ph.D. will moderate; Dr. Luma was an Olympic athlete from Cameroon, which boycotted the 1976 Olympics because of apartheid in South Africa; Dr. Luma has experienced racial inequality in Africa and during his international travels. He teaches political science at PBCC.

“Movies of the Mind” was created by the Cultural Affairs Committee on PBCC’s Palm Beach Gardens campus to feature thought provoking topics in modern history. “The Power of One” is based on the life of a white boy raised by a black family in South Africa. The boy’s disdain for apartheid and appreciation for South African black culture creates great drama and a terrific film. The other movies this spring will focus on the Holocaust on April 4 and on communism in South America on April 25. Both movies also will be moderated by PBCC faculty with ties to the topics.

“The Power of One” will be shown from 2-4:30 p.m. in the Meldon Lecture Hall, BB Building. The Palm Beach Gardens campus is located at 3160 PGA Blvd. The film is free, and the public is invited. Local high school and college students are invited as well. To find out more, contact Samuel Freas, associate dean, at 561-207-5416.

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