

## **For Immediate Release**

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### **BTG Signs a Three Season Contract with Morgan Park Academy Arts Center and Donates a New Stage Floor**

The Beverly Theatre Guild, the oldest community theatre company in Chicago, has signed a three year contract with MPA Arts Center. Recently, BTG has moved out of the Beverly Arts Center and is moving back to the original Beverly Art Center located on Morgan Park Academy's campus located just east of the new arts center.

"This is wonderful for BTG since we can now count on where we will be performing for the next three seasons and know how to budget for each production," said Barbara Moore, President of BTG.

This next season BTG will mount three shows on the stage that they have performed over 100 shows for 33 years before they moved down the street with the new BAC. In October 2008 they will perform the endearing Irish show, *Dancing at Lagnasa*, followed in February with the comedy-musical, *The Full Monty*, and ending their season with the hilarious comedy, *20<sup>th</sup> Century*.

"MPA has taken care of their arts center and have made many improvements since we left in 2002. One thing that we noticed, though, is that they are in dire need of a new stage floor. Therefore, BTG has offered to lay a new floor for the center's use", said Moore. BTG and MPA have hired Chicago Floors and Stairs to do this project this coming August. Since there is not the time to put up a show as a fund raiser this summer, BTG has plans next summer to put up a musical review as a fund raiser to pay for the floor and, hopefully, other things that could help out the theatre. In the meantime, BTG will pay for this project and will not ask for any reimbursement from MPA.

Moore speaks on behalf of the members of BTG that this is what BTG is all about, promoting the performing arts and sciences in our community on the southwest corridor of Chicago. "BTG's members have contributed to the theatre since the beginning. We have a rich history of giving and we have always been generous to help out the arts centers. That is one reason that I have been so active with this organization for the past 28 years", Moore proudly states.

BTG is a not-for-profit organization, who has never received Grants or Federal Funding. They only continue with the support from ticket sales, program ads, corporate sponsorship, and donations from individuals. All donations are 100% tax deductible.

For more information to become a Season Subscriber, Group Tickets, become a Donor or Corporate Sponsor, go to [www.BeverlyTheatreGuild.org](http://www.BeverlyTheatreGuild.org) or call 773-BTG-TIXS (284-8497).

#### **Photo Caption:**

**Standing: James Kearney, BTG Treasurer of Palos Heights**

**Sitting: William Adams, MPA Headmaster of Chicago, Barbara Moore, BTG President of Tinley Park, sign three year contract to perform at MPA Arts Center**

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