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HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS PERFORM MOVING DRAMA “STEEL MAGNOLIAS”

Waukegan, IL (December 4, 2007) Jack Benny Center for the Arts is pleased to announce the performances for the Roundtree Players (14–18yrs) production of *Steel Magnolias* by Robert Harling Friday, December 14 and Saturday, December 15 at 7:30 pm in the Schornick Theatre.

Roundtree Players is an advanced theatre ensemble that focuses on challenging drama. Past productions have included *Bang Bang You're Dead*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, and *Chamber Music*. Current ensemble members include: Rachel Stiles, Jennifer Cohn, Ellen Anderson, Rachel Hughes, Carolyn Isaac, Brianna Moore, and Karen Bullock.

Tickets are available for \$5 with first come, first served general seating. *Steel Magnolias* is set at a beauty salon in Chinquapin, Louisiana where the ladies have their hair done. This moving play tackles love, marriage, pregnancy, and death through quick, funny dialogue. *Steel Magnolias* is directed by Gloria Terry.

For ticket reservations, please call Jack Benny Center for the Arts at 847-360-4740 or stop by 39 Jack Benny Dr., Waukegan, IL. You may also visit us online at www.waukeganparks.org. Sponsored in part by Illinois Arts Council and produced with special arrangement by Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

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