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**Berkshire Theatre Group
Presents “An Evening with Paula Poundstone”**

Pittsfield, MA– Berkshire Theatre Group presents *An Evening with Paula Poundstone* on Saturday, September 26 at 8pm at The Colonial Theatre.

Tickets to *An Evening with Paula Poundstone* are \$55, \$45 and \$25. Contact the Colonial Ticket Office at 111 South Street, Pittsfield by calling 413-997-4444, or online at www.berkshiretheatregroup.org. Ticket Offices are open Monday-Friday 10am-5pm, Saturdays 10am-2pm or on any performance day from 10am until curtain.

In the early '80s, Paula Poundstone packed up her belongings, hopped on a Greyhound bus, and traveled across the country performing at open mic comedy clubs. Poundstone went on to become one of the great humorists of our time. You can hear her through your laughter as a regular panelist on NPR's popular weekly news quiz show, *Wait Wait...Don't Tell Me*. She tours regularly, performing standup comedy across the country.

In the early '90s Poundstone was the first woman to win the cable ACE for Best Stand-up Comedy Special and the first woman to be invited to perform standup at the prestigious White House Correspondents dinner, where she joined the current President as part of the evening's entertainment. Poundstone starred in a self-titled series for HBO in '93 (for which she won her second Cable ACE Award for Best Program Interviewer), and moved the show to ABC which was short-lived, but applauded for its break from convention. Poundstone had her own comedy specials on HBO and Bravo. In fact, she starred in several comedy specials on HBO, including *Paula Poundstone Goes to Harvard*, the only time the elite university has allowed their name to be used in the title of a television show. Poundstone is recognized as one of Comedy Central's

100 greatest stand-ups of all time. Poundstone won an American Comedy Award for Best Female Standup Comic, and in 2010 she was one of a select group voted into the Comedy Hall of Fame.

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at The Colonial Theatre

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About Berkshire Theatre Group

The Colonial Theatre, founded in 1903, and Berkshire Theatre Festival, founded in 1928, are two of the oldest cultural organizations in the Berkshires. Having united in November of 2010 under the leadership of Artistic Director and CEO Kate Maguire, these two institutions are providing the Berkshires and beyond with the finest in live theatre, music, dance and the visual arts in Stockbridge, MA and Pittsfield, MA. The Fitzpatrick Main Stage (400 seats), cataloged by the National Register of Historic Places, was originally designed and built by Stanford White as the Stockbridge Casino in 1888. The intimate Unicorn Theatre (122 seats) is a home for emerging artists and new theatrical ideas. The Colonial in Pittsfield (780 seats) re-opened in August of 2006, following a \$21 million restoration, and boasts pristine acoustics, classic gilded age architecture and state-of-the-art technical systems. BTG also performs at The Garage, a music venue located in the lobby of The Colonial. BTG serves over 100,000 patrons per year and reaches over 13,000 students through its educational and outreach programs. For more information on BTF call (413) 298-5536 and on The Colonial call (413) 448-8084. To purchase tickets, call (413) 997-4444 or (413) 298-5576 or go online to www.BerkshireTheatreGroup.org.