

KENWOOD PLAYERS
PRESENTS



By
D. L. COBURN

Directed by
Gail Bernardi

January 17 thru February 22, 1997

WESTCHESTER PLAYHOUSE

8301 Hindry Avenue
Westchester, California 90045

THE GIN GAME

A Tragi-Comedy by
D. L. Coburn

Director
Gail Bernardi

Producer
Jaz Davison

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Fonsia Dorsey Elizabeth Ash
Weller Martin Fred Ellsberg

The scene is the unused sunporch of a
home for the aged.

ACT ONE

SCENE 1: Sunday afternoon, Visitors' Day.

SCENE 2: Sunday afternoon, one week later.

ACT TWO

SCENE 1: The following evening,
shortly after dinner.

SCENE 2: The following Sunday afternoon.

There will be one 15-minute intermission between Acts I & II

Decaf will be served, courtesy of Kentwood Players, between Acts I & II

Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.

ABOUT THE DIRECTOR

GAIL BERNARDI - Gail is currently acting as chairman of the Plays Reading Committee and has thoroughly enjoyed directing *The Gin Game*. Gail has been a Kentwood member for 9 years and has both acted and directed. She studied theater at Carnegie Mellon and her last directorial stint was the award winning *Driving Miss Daisy*.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

The human spirit knows no age. It can soar to unimaginable heights with our love and "constant care." We must never assume that "age" means less attention to "life."

The spirit is fragile and the need for love - ageless.

ABOUT THE PRODUCER

JAZ DAVISON - This is Jaz's first outing as a producer as she is normally seen on stage, last in her award-winning performance as Marlene in *Daddy's Dyin', Who's Got The Will?* She is grateful to Gail for this opportunity and to her family for not killing her.

ABOUT THE CAST

ELIZABETH ASH (Fonsia Dorsey) -

Elizabeth was last seen on Kentwood's stage as Mama Wheelis in *Daddy's Dyin', Who's Got The Will?*, before that as Daisy in *Drivin' Miss Daisy*. She is a lifetime Kentwood member who has also worked backstage and done her bit as a member of the Plays Reading Committee.

FRED ELLSBERG (Weller Martin) -

Fred has appeared in two previous productions at The Westchester Playhouse, *Fatal Attraction* and *Murder By The Book*. He has played in many venues in the valley and around, in everything from *Last Of The Red Hot Lovers*, to *Henry V*, from *Prisoner of Second Avenue* to *On Golden Pond*. He is happy to be back.

SPECIAL THANKS

Special thanks to the Kentwood Singers for their voices - Maria Cohen, Michael Cohen, Richard Potthoff, George L. Rametta, Scot Renfro & Adina Silo

STRIKE CREW & WORK SUNDAY

Larry Boone, Sheldon & Arlene Cohen, Sheridan Cole, Jim Crawford, Charlotte Lee Gunter, Bill Harred, Shellee James, Lauren Jarvis, Larry Jones, Treva Merritt, Vicki Miller, Sally Pierce, Lee & Judy Polak, George L. Rametta, Harvey Rosenberg, Arnold A. Schildkret, Bob & Dagmar Schnauss, Maryann Schwarz, Adina Silo, Max Stormes, Ron Wisanski and the Cast & Crew of **THE GIN GAME**.

PRODUCTION STAFF

Stage Managers	Jenny Ryan, Eileen Cipriano
Script Supervisor	Barbara McMurry
Set Design	Sheldon Metz
Lighting Design	Tom Brophay
Sound Design	Richard Potthoff
Master Builder	Frank Olivadoti
Set Decorator	Michael Cohen
Costumes	Maria Cohen
Light & Sound Technicians	Adam Ravid, John Beckwith, Shari Johnson
Stage Crew	Monica Castagnasso, Rita Ellsberg
Lobby Portraits	Monty Ash
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Casting: January 20 & 21, 1997

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Director: George L. Rametta

Casting: March 17 & 18, 1997

ROUND AND ROUND THE GARDEN

July 11 - August 16, 1997

Director: Jaz Davison

Casting: May 12 & 13, 1997

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You are invited to meet and greet cast members after the performance in the Green Room. Please use the outside stairway at the rear of the theatre.