Kentwood Players

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Moss Hart & George S. Kaufman

Directed by Gail Bernardi

July 5 – August 10, 2002

Westchester Playhouse 8301 Hindry Avenue Westchester, California 90045-3205 Reservations: (310) 645-5156

The Man Who Came to Dinner

by Moss Hart & George S. Kaufman

Director: Gail Bernardi

Producers: Sheldon Cohen & Arlene Cohen

Set Design Max Heldring Stormes Costume Design Maria Cohen

Richard Potthoff Sound Design Kathi Thompson

Light Design

Cast

(in order of appearance)

Mrs. Ernest W. Stanley	Calia Mintzer
Miss Preen	Margie Bates
Richard Stanley	Steve Maloney
June Stanley	Estrella Tamez
John	Donald Heath
Sarah	Barbara Trenn
Mrs. Dexter	Arlene Cohen
Mrs. McCutcheon	Barbara McMurray
Mr. Stanley	Harvey Rosenberg
Maggie Cutler	Catherine Rahm
Dr. Bradley	Hal Fisher
Sheridan Whiteside	Jack Rubens
Harriet Stanley	Elizabeth Ash
Bert Jefferson	Shawn Savage
Professor Metz / Banjo	Barry Silver
Convict / Expressman / Sandy / Radio Tech	nnician / Deputy
	Clay Kugler
Convict / Expressman / Wescott / Deputy /	Plainclothesman
	Chancellor Dean
Lorraine Sheldon	Susan Gordon
Beverly Carlton	Michael Cohen
Scene: The home of Mr. And Mrs. Stanley	y in a small town in Ohio.
Act I. Scene 1. A December mornin	g.

Act I. Scene 2. About a week later.

Act II. Another week has passed. Christmas Eve.

Act III. Christmas Morning.

Decaf coffee will be served at the intermission between Act I and Act II, courtesy of Kentwood Players

The intermission between Act II and Act III will be only 5 minutes.

Produced by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

During the performance please turn your pagers to silent, and turn off your cell phones and alarms on your digital watches. Please unwrap your candy or cough drops before the play begins.

About the Director

Gail Bernardi – Gail, a 14 year member, most recently directed *Painting Churches*. She is thrilled to be directing this delightful comedy with a fine ensemble cast.

About the Producers

Sheldon Cohen – Sheldon is pleased to be working on another Kentwood production. As long as this keeps up his wife won't make him get a real job.

Arlene Cohen (Mrs. Dexter) – Arlene won a Marcom Masque Award for producing *Ten Little Indians*. A behind-the-scenes person, she is venturing on stage for an opportunity to wear one of her custom hats! She is delighted to be producing for Gail and is proud to be attached to this wonderful cast.

About the Cast

Elizabeth Ash (Harriet Stanley) – Elizabeth is happy to be working once again under the deft direction of Gail Bernardi, who directed her in *Driving Miss Daisy* and *The Gin Game*.

Margie Bates (Miss Preen) – Margie played Lavinia in *The Heiress* and gave award-winning performances as Addie Mae in *The Cover Of Life* and Mama in *I Remember Mama*.

Michael Cohen (Beverly Carlton) – Michael has appeared in Kentwood's *Pack of Lies*, *Anastasia*, *Ten Little Indians*, and others. Elsewhere in *Bus Stop*, *My Fair Lady*, *Equus*, and many more.

Hal Fisher (Dr. Bradley) – So far this has been a good millennium for Hal: He has appeared three times as Uncle Sam in the Westchester Fourth of July Parade. In 2001 he won a Marcom Masque Award for his role as Mr. Thorkelson in *I Remember Mama*.

Susan Gordon (Lorraine Sheldon) – Susan last appeared at Kentwood as Mrs. Kendall in *The Elephant Man*. She is happy to add Lorraine to her resume.

Donald Heath (John) – This is Donald's third appearance on the Kentwood stage, following multiple roles in each of *The Ruling Class* and *The Elephant Man*.

Clay Kugler (Convict / Expressman / Sandy / Radio Technician / Deputy) – Clay, a Gilroy, California native, is excited about his first performance with Kentwood Players.

Steve Maloney (Richard Stanley) – A new arrival to California, Steve is originally from Massachusetts. He is excited and honored to have the opportunity to work with such a talented cast.

Chancellor Dean (Convict / Expressman / Wescott / Deputy / Plainclothesman) – Chancellor, a USC senior theatre student, is making his first appearance with Kentwood Players and is especially grateful to Gail for giving him the opportunity.

Barbara McMurray (Mrs. McCutcheon) – Barbara has been working as script supervisor and producer for years. This is her debut on stage. Break a leg!

Calia Mintzer (Mrs. Stanley) – A three-time Marcom Masque Award winner, Calia is delighted to be a part of this wonderful cast. A Kentwood Player since 1955, Calia holds the position of Group Sales Chairman.

Catherine Rahm (Maggie Cutler) – Catherine has appeared regularly on Kentwood's stage since 1998's *The Mousetrap*. She especially loves performing here because of the enthusiastic Kentwood audiences.

Harvey Rosenberg (Mr. Stanley) – Harvey joined KP in 1968. This will be his 30th play at KP. He was last seen as the father in *Come Blow Your Horn*.

Jack Rubens (Sheridan Whiteside) – Jack can currently be seen in *The Animal* starring Rob Schneider. His last appearance with Kentwood Players was as Dr. Sloper in *The Heiress*.

Shawn Savage (Bert Jefferson) – Shawn just moved from New England to pursue acting. His favorite roles have been portraying Roger Chillingworth in *The Scarlet Letter* and Betty/Edward in *Cloud 9*. He is very thankful and honored to be involved with such a talented cast. Give 'em Hell everybody!

Barry Silver (Professor Metz / Banjo) – This is Barry's third time on the Kentwood stage. He played Joel in *Beau Jest* and Ira in *Laughter On The 23rd Floor*. Thanks to the Marx Brothers, Gail, and especially my family.

Estrella Tamez (June Stanley) – Estrella was last seen in the soap opera *Passions*. She is pleased to make her debut at Kentwood Players in the role of June.

Barbara Trenn (Sarah) – Having been producer, assistant director and stage manager for Theatre Forty in Beverly Hills recently, Barbara is making her Kentwood debut. Favorite roles include Pearl in *Broadway*, and Katie in *Meet Me in St. Louis*.

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 theater.

Production Staff

Stage Manager	Clay Kugler
	Barbara McMurray
Dresser	Jennifer Porter
Booth Crew	Dave Parke
Set Decoration Design	De Cotter, Scott Renfro
Original Graphic Design	Michael Cohen
	Sheldon Metz
Master Builders	Dave Whale, Max Heldring Stormes
Costume Assistants	Phil Massi, Alison Mayer-Nesti
Seamstresses	Barbara Brophey, Arlene Cohen, Julia Maggs
	Treva Merritt, Dorothy Rochlin
Properties	
	Shellee James
Audition Assistance	Calia Mintzer, Bill Harred, Jeanne Spain
	Tara Potthoff, Dave Whale, De Cotter
	Dagmar Schnauss
Box Office	Lori Walters

Strike Crew and Work Sunday

Trey Bartels, Tom Brophey, Carla Coppock, Jack Coppock, Ed Cotter Jim Crawford, Gregory Daniels, Rob Duval, Bill Goldyn, Bill Harred Gretchen Luna, Paul Mazerov, Frank Olivadoti, Sally Pierce, Judy Polak Lee Polak, Tara Potthoff, Scot Renfro and the cast and crew of *The Man Who Came to Dinner*

Special Thanks

Dave Whale and Scot Renfro for building the piano Jeanne Spain for furniture

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Willie Russell Caroline Franke

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Director: Sheldon Metz

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