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Present

THE CHALK GARDEN

by Enid Bagnold



Thursday, Friday, Saturday 23rd, 24th, 25th March 1995 at 7.45 p.m. Almscliffe Village Hall, Huby

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Cast in the order of their appearance:

Miss Madrigal, the 1st Applicant	Pauline Moulsdale
Maitland, the manservant	Chris Holland
A Little Lady, the 2nd Applicant	Joyce Dawson
3rd Lady, the 3rd Applicant	Sue Rawson
Laurel	Lizzie Rawson
Mrs. St. Maugham, her grandmother	Pam Dawson
Nurse	Joyce Dawson
Olivia, Laurel's mother	
The Judge	Richard Connell

Produced by Chris Rawson

Prompt: Lucy Davies

Lighting: Traydarte

Time the '50s. Place: Mrs. St. Maugham's House, Sussex

> Act I A morning in June

ACT II
Two months later. Before luncheon

ACT III
The same day. After luncheon

SYNOPSIS

The chalk garden - which defeats Mrs. St. Maugham's attempts to cultivate it is symbolic of her failure with her daughter and granddaughter. Thus, her garden is bare of flowers, her daughter Olivia is divorced and her granddaughter Laurel - adopted after Olivia's re-marriage - riots in the bizarre atmosphere.

Having seen off a series of despairing 'companions' Laurel has befriended Maitland the man servant who is well meaning but somewhat pre-occupied with

his past.

Into this unpromising soil comes the enigmatic Miss Madrigal - without references. What is the past that she has cut off 'like a fishes tail' and just who is 'CDW'? When the Judge arrives for lunch the strange truth begins to emerge...

THE CHALK GARDEN

was first produced in England at The Theatre Royal, Haymarket, London on the 11th April 1956, with the following cast of characters:-

(in the order of their appearance)

Miss Madrigal, the 1st Applicant	Peggy Ashcroft
Maitland, the manservant	George Rose
A Little Lady, the 2nd Applicant	Ruth Lodge
3rd Lady, the 3rd Applicant	Phyllis Relph
Laurel	Judith Stott
Mrs. St. Maugham, her grandmother	Edith Evans
Nurse	Mavis Walker
Olivia, Laurel's mother	Rachel Gurney
The Judge	Felix Avlmer

Directed by John Gielgud

A CRITIC'S REVIEW OF THE LAST PRODUCTION 'LIVING TOGETHER'

Here was a lovely interpretation of this Ayckbourn favourite. The cast worked hard and each managed to create their own individual personality. Sue Rawson was just right as the rather down trodden Annie, while Chris Holland managed to remain loveable despite his philandering. Rita Swallow used the good sized stage well and included some nice touches. I was very impressed with the lighting and the set was perfect. A very entertaining evening, well done to all.