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**Meet the DJ/Program Host**

**CINDY WEELDREYER**

Born and raised in New Orleans, Cindy came to Oregon in 1980 as a college transfer student. She married Cottage Grove native Ralph Weeldreyer in 1982 and has been a proud "Grover" since 1983. Cindy spent 12 years as a Lane County elected official on the Lane Community College Board and the Lane County Board of Commissioners. In 2003, Cindy succeeded Darin Bailey as host of KNND's long-running Sunday morning gospel program. Cindy enjoys a close connection with the local faith community as the host of KNND's Sunday Morning Light Program from 7-10 a.m. and as the editor of the CG Sentinel's monthly Faith Page. She welcomes your Sunday morning phone calls and feedback. Cindy hosts the Thursday Beeper Show from 9-10 a.m., which features educational topics. She also hosts Saturday's Swap-N-Shop Program from 10-11 a.m. Cindy is KNND's Community Calendar Coordinator and editor of the e-publication "Around The Grove." She invites you to send community announcements to her at [cindy@knnd.com](mailto:cindy@knnd.com) for listing on KNND's website calendar and inclusion in the on-air announcements read during live programs.



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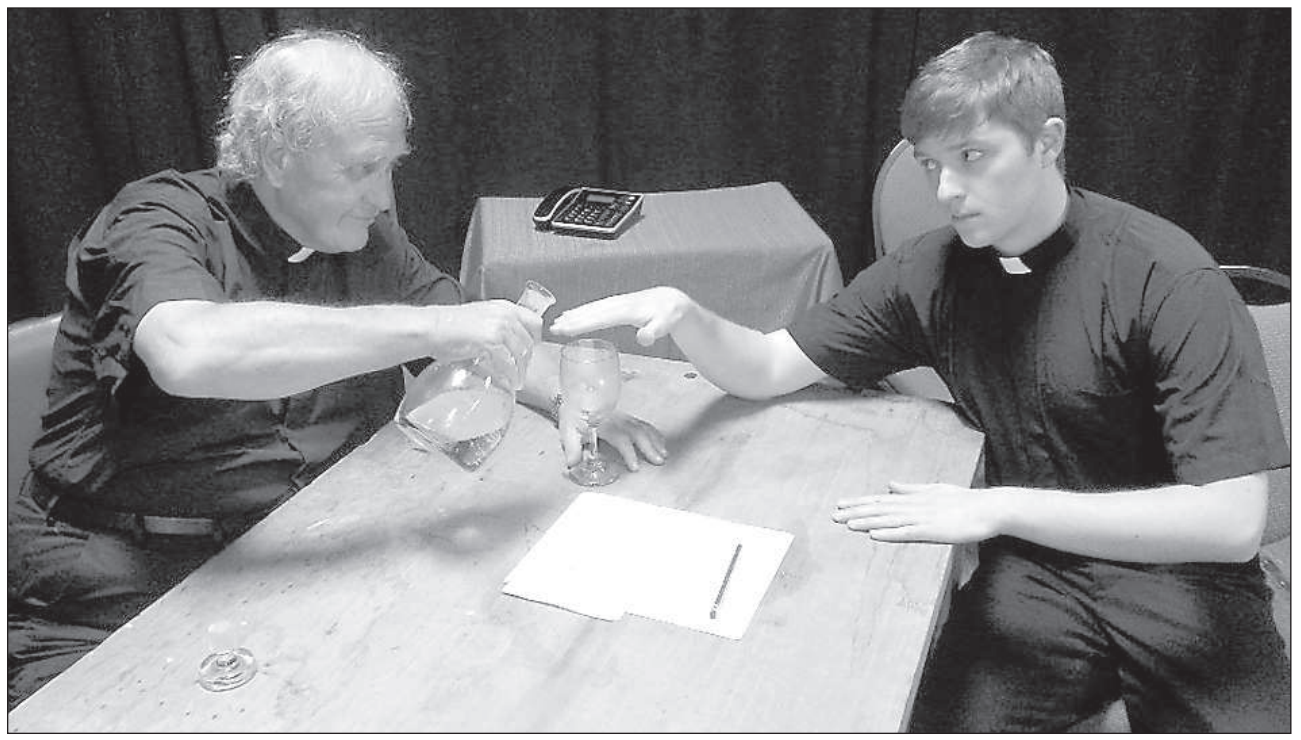
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Jim Curtiss (left) and Matthew Woodward tackle the battle between right and wrong in Slabtown Productions' 'Mass Appeal,' which continues this weekend at Opal Theater.

courtesy photo

**Two stellar performances drive 'Mass Appeal'**

BY SAM WRIGHT  
*The Cottage Grove Sentinel*

The Opal Center's most recent show has once again utilized the limited stage space at the small venue.

Bill C. Davis' "Mass Appeal" was locally directed by the Opal Center's David Work and uses only two actors, Jim Curtiss and Matthew Woodward.

Mark Dolson (Woodward) is a young man aspiring to be a priest. He's assigned to be coached by Father Tim Far-

ley (Curtiss), who is very well liked in the community. Dolson is a cynical person and believes some parts of the church are wrong. The story touches on issues within the church such as the status of women and the view of homosexuality. As Dolson tries to shake things up by giving more aggressive and perhaps progressive sermons, Father Farley tries to teach Dolson that he will be more successful if he adheres to the traditional values of the church.

Curtiss is wonderfully casted

as the conventional priest with a heavy drinking habit. The stuttering, bumbling Father is a great character, and at times when it seemed like Curtiss may have messed up on a line, the stuttering correction added to his character. He even did a pretty good Irish impression for a time.

Woodward's character is less likeable, but the audience roots for his values. Mark Dolson is a very serious character, and Woodward's straight-forward acting compliments Curtiss as

the two clash throughout the show.

While the play didn't have the laugh-out-loud comedy of "You've Got Hate Mail," the show is driven by skilled acting and strong writing as well as the values and ethics it tries to teach. With several sermons being presented in the play, there are multiple monologues that help drive the plot.

Ultimately, "Mass Appeal" is a more serious show that addresses issues within the church that are still seen today.

**COMMUNITY BRIEFS**

**Perlow at 912**

Lane County District Attorney Patty Perlow will speak at the next meeting of the Cottage Grove 912 Project on Monday, Aug. 1 at 6:30 p.m. at Stacy's Covered Bridge Restaurant, 401 E Main St. Perlow will discuss her current work with community partners, crime statistics in Lane County and other projects. This meeting is open to the public.

**DeFazio schedules visit**

Each year, Rep. Peter DeFazio holds a series of town hall meetings across Southwest Oregon to hear from his constituents and update them on his work in Washington. This year, DeFazio is scheduled to hold 16 town hall meetings across Oregon's 4th Congressional District, including a town hall on Monday, Aug. 29 from 10-11 a.m. at City

Hall in Cottage Grove. City Hall is located at 400 E. Main St.

**Rally Around the Flag scheduled**

The Oregon Liberty Coalition will host its third annual Rally Around the Flag from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, July 30 at the W.O.E. Fairgrounds in Cottage Grove. Jeff Kropf, a former Oregon State Representative,

will emcee the event, which will also include presentations by Doyle Shamley of Apache County, Ariz., Jack Adkins of FreedomWorks and a panel that will discuss land use in Oregon. Oregon Liberty Coalition bills itself as "a statewide coalition of local, autonomous, non-partisan patriot groups established to advance and strengthen the founding principles and God-given rights predicated in the U.S. and Oregon Constitutions."

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