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J Jack Valinski 00:15
Welcome to another edition of lesbian and gay voices. This is Jack Valinski. And

J Joan Devlin 00:19
I'm John Devlin.

G Glenn Holt 00:20
And I'm Glen hold,

J Jack Valinski 00:21
and we are not very happy tonight.

J Joan Devlin 00:22
No, we're not.

J Jack Valinski 00:23

It's rather somber week after the election. And we're going to be talking about that in great detail tonight with a bunch of different people, including campaign manager, Grant Martin and Janine brunches, who is the gay liaison to the community for Mayor Brown. And Scott Tillinghast, who has been a longtime activist and volunteer in elections and study of numbers. And he will be up first. And then besides that, you have

J Joan Devlin 00:52

the men's gathering and they are going to be speaking about the myth of masculine and feminine.

J Jack Valinski 00:58

There was an article posted before the election on handouts. I don't know if the person was but he was talking about how cities you know, Euston is not the place where a lot of people go to to live, you know, some of us move here because of a job. You know, the weather is not necessarily the best in the summer or the winter, although this time of year. It's really nice. And you know, you don't just think of Houston as some of the greatest, you know, one of the greatest cities in the world. There's Los Angeles, and there's San Francisco, and there's New York, and there's Boston,

J Joan Devlin 01:29

and now there's Traverse City, Michigan. And here's where Traverse City, Michigan, they overturn their referendum by 81%.

J Jack Valinski 01:37

So, you know, the hope was that to become a world class city, that you would have equal rights for everybody. Well, that didn't quite happen for Houston. And they also were comparing it to Jacksonville, Florida. You know, they were trying to become a high tech city, but they're very, very conservative. They're, well, they never made it as a high tech city. You wonder why,

J Joan Devlin 01:56

but Miami Dade, voted down their referendum too.

J Jack Valinski 02:00

So it's a rather sad day that we lost. I mean, we only lost by a few points, but we still lost. Some people worked very hard. The reality was, is that the campaign, their campaign, their side wasn't very, very well organized at all. And ours was. So we have to go on, though. You know, there's other things going on in the community. There's another election coming up the runoff

election on December 1. And that's really important that we get Mayor Brown back in for his last. And it works in District D. And Claudia Williamson. Yes. And so those things are what we'll be talking about those also tonight. So it is a very sad day. I know I was on the microphone. The night we lost in 1985 that we knew

J Joan Devlin 02:45

that night we lost this beer you hung up in my face when I called you to see what the vote was and you just

J Jack Valinski 02:54

think that was a lost signal.

J Joan Devlin 02:55

No, that was you being mad. And as soon as you did that, I thought, Oh, damn, we're loose.

J Jack Valinski 03:00

Actually, at that point, we didn't know we were losing it looks like we still could have won. So it's, it's you know, it's gonna be a tough time. And but we got to keep on going on. Let's listen to the news and come back and talk about this more.

B Brian Nunes 03:20

I'm Brian and I'm Cindy Friedman with news wrap a summary of some of the news in or affecting lesbian and gay community for the week ending November 10 2001. Australian voters have returned the nation's ruling coalition to power with a 10 seat majority and given Prime Minister John Howard a historic third term. It's a disappointing result for gays and lesbians, whose legislative progress has been staunchly blocked by Howard and his liberal party. In this campaign, gay and lesbian issues one more supportive attention than previously from the largest opposition party. The Australian Labor Party, Who's Kim Beazley conceded defeat and resigned as party leader with the ALP vote down in most states from the last federal election. The anti gay one nation party lost ground in this election. Gay and Lesbian voters were actively wooed by the Australian Democrats, whose results showed little change from the last election and by the Greens who won more votes than ever before. Green Party senator from Tasmania Bob Brown, who was the first open gate ever elected to the Australian Senate won re election.

C Cindy Friedman 04:26

There were also elections this week in a number of US states and cities with initiatives relating to gays and lesbians on the ballots and five cities. domestic partner benefits for city employees were banned in Houston, Texas by a narrow margin, but were approved by a landslide in Miami

Beach, Florida.

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Brian Nunes 04:45

civil rights protections found solid support in three Michigan municipalities. Voters in Kalamazoo and Traverse City rejected proposed city charter amendments patterned after Cincinnati, Ohio that would have proactively prohibited the inclusion of gays, lesbians and bisexuals. Among the protected categories in any local ordinances. In the Detroit suburb of Huntington Woods. Almost 70% of voters upheld an ordinance against sexual orientation discrimination that was passed by the City Commission earlier this year. The anti gay Mississippi based American Family Association was a driving force behind all three anti gay Michigan initiatives, as well as another proposed charter amendment to be voted on in Ypsilanti next year.

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Cindy Friedman 05:30

It was generally a good day for us gay and lesbian candidates. Carrboro North Carolina Mayor Mike Nelson and Houston Texas City Council member and East Parker both won reelection, as did Arlington County, Virginia county board member J Phys. Ed and Takoma Park, Maryland city council member Bruce Williams, Atlanta, Georgia city council member Kathy Willard won a runoff birth and her bid for city council president. Minneapolis Minnesota had a remarkable 10 openly gay or lesbian candidates for various city offices. Three of five openly gay candidates won seats on the Minneapolis City Council Scott Benson, Robert Lilla grin and Gary Schiff.

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Brian Nunes 06:10

Some other US election results were also welcomed by most gays and lesbians. In Virginia, gay supportive Democrat Mark Warner won the governorship over Republican Mark early, whose anti gay campaign featured the slogan, Virginia values not Vermont values, representing his opposition to legal recognition of same gender couples. In New Jersey, gay supportive Democrat Jim McGreevey won the governorship over Republican Brett Schindler, an opponent of domestic partner benefits and equal adoption rights. New York City's next mayor, Republican Michael Bloomberg is a solid supporter of gay and lesbian civil rights.

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Cindy Friedman 06:48

The US Senate by a three to one margin this week approved ending the federal ban on domestic partner benefits in Washington DC. The Washington City Council enacted a broad domestic partners measure in 1992. But the Congress then made federal appropriations to the nation's capital contingent on suspension of the ordinance. Federal funds comprise the bulk of Washington's budget. That writer is absent from this year's appropriations bill, although the city would still be barred from using federal funds for the ordinances implementation. The Republican controlled US House had also approved Washington appropriations without the domestic partners ban in September. The two versions move next to a house Senate conference committee. The Denver Colorado City Council this week voted 11 to one to add gender identity as a category protected under the city's anti discrimination ordinance. The civil

rights of transgendered people will be protected in employment, housing and health care. Neighboring boulder had previously passed a similar ordinance that was the model for Denver's also in Colorado, a state appeals court has ruled that sexual orientation cannot be used as a basis to deny visitation to parents. The ruling overturned a trial court decision that a gay father could not have overnight guests when his daughter was present. The lower court had also barred him from taking her to his gay affirming church. Let's see what the judge called hugging showing of affection one to the other women with women men with men. No similar prohibitions had been placed on the girl's mother, a conservative Christian,

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Brian Nunes 08:25

a US federal lawsuit seeking to hold police officers liable for the suicide of a teen. They threatened to out failed this week in Pennsylvania. The late Marcus Wayman had been sitting in a parked car with another male teen in 1997. When three minors male police arrested them for underage drinking because they were carrying condoms. officers asked if the teens were queer, and had intended to have sex with each other. The officers say the teens said yes, the officers lectured the teens against homosexuality and threatened to tell their families that they were gay. Within a few hours of his release, Wayman shot himself dead. With the help of the ACLU the American Civil Liberties Union. Women's mother Madonna Sterling filed the civil lawsuit claiming the officers had violated his privacy rights. This week, a federal jury cleared all three police officers of any liability in the case. However, the ACLU says that an appellate court ruling Sterling secured in the process of gaining this week's hearing established a landmark precedent recognizing the privacy rights of young gays and lesbians.

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Cindy Friedman 09:28

Courts in the Canadian provinces of Ontario and Quebec this week heard lawsuits seeking equal marriage rights for same gender couples, at the same time as Quebec Solicitor General oppose the lawsuit there. The provincial Justice Department announced that it's preparing a bill to establish registered partnerships for gay and lesbian couples that would confer a number of legal rights. The provincial government intends to introduce the bill before the end of this year and hold hearings on it in 2002. The Montreal plaintiffs denied the partnerships would be equivalent to marriage, and some have suggested the announcement of the bill was offered as a distraction from the lawsuit.

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Brian Nunes 10:08

The Parliament of the Brazilian state of Minas Gerais has given initial approval to a civil rights bill protecting gays and lesbians. Member of Parliament Giambattista de Oliveras lost 694-99 would add sexual orientation as a category protected from discrimination. Violators can be punished with fines, business closures, or in the case of civil servants, dismissal and disqualification. The bill specifically upholds the right of same gender couples to display affection in public and defines a procedure for punishing police officers who harass them. It would also create a referral center to advise those who believe they've experienced discrimination, and would add a gay and lesbian community representative to the State Human

Rights Council. To become law. The bill was still passed a second vote in the state parliament and be signed by the governor. It'll hurt the international gay and lesbian Human Rights Commission has called for letters in support of the bill.

C Cindy Friedman 11:05

And finally, after two delays and many modifications as a result of the September 11 attacks on the US, the 53rd annual Emmy Awards were finally staged and telecast globally. Winners of interest included non gay Canadian Eric McCormack named Best Lead Actor in a Comedy for his gay title rollin NBCs Whelan, Grace,

B Brian Nunes 11:26

open gay Todd Holland, named Best Director in a comedy a second time for foxes. Malcolm in the Middle, who again acknowledged his partner Scotch in his acceptance speech and gave him a kiss

C Cindy Friedman 11:37

openly gay Britain, Derek Jakobi, named Best Guest Actor in a Comedy for his appearance on NBCs Fraser

B Brian Nunes 11:44

best TV movie and two other honors for HBOs wit adapted from the Pulitzer Prize winning play by open lesbian Margaret Edson

C Cindy Friedman 11:51

five honors for the ABC miniseries life with Judy Garland Me and My Shadows produced by open gaze, Craig's Adan and Neil Mirren

B Brian Nunes 12:00

and Best Music Performance for icon Barbra Streisand and three other honors for her Fox special timeless. Streisand also closed the show with a tearful rendition of you'll never walk alone.

C Cindy Friedman 12:11

But the biggest winner of the evening was certainly the show's host open lesbian Ellen DeGeneres. Although neither of her two nominations resulted in a statue. Her work under the very difficult circumstances was honored with an extended standing ovation at the end of the

show. Afterward, she was widely praised, with the Hollywood Reporter saying that only two words stood between the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences and utter disaster. Ellen DeGeneres, most often quoted was to generous line. What would bug the Taliban more than seeing a gay woman in a suit surrounded by Jews? Perhaps the most enthusiastic kudos for DeGeneres came from past Emmy winner Cameron Mannheim of ABC is the practice who told People magazine. I think Ellen DeGeneres is the very best of our generation. How she handled this evening was such grace and dignity and humor and spirit and sensitivity in humanity makes me want to become a lesbian. I'm madly, madly in love with her.

 B Brian Nunes 13:13

That's news wrap for the week ending November 10 2001. Written by Cindy Friedman, and recorded at the studios of KPFK. Los Angeles,

 C Cindy Friedman 13:20

follow the news in your area and informed community is a strong community. For this way out. I'm Cindy Friedman. And

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I'm Brian newness.

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The latest on the news that affects us all

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does President George W. Bush realize that every Bangladeshi every Indian consumes 140 of the amount of energy that an average American does timely interviews

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and authoritative analysis on Musa from the BBC. We put you at the center of international events. Join us for a comprehensive view of your day in the world on news. You can listen to the BBC News Hour Monday through Friday from eight to 9am on Houston's 90.1 KPFT the sound of Texas

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and with our own unique view of the news we are lesbian and gay voices

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Jack Valinski 14:10

and you know, news world now is on live because the time change. The BBC does not observe daylight savings time. So when we're on the same time, as you know, we're on regular time, not summer time. It they carry it live. Oh neat. Otherwise they have to record it an hour earlier. Right. This is lesbian and gay voices. And Scott telling us is with us tonight. Scott, when was the first time you volunteered for an election. Do you remember?

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I remember joining the Republicans in the fall Young Republicans in the fall of 1961 and was at the University of Texas and I one Saturday I went San Antonio and campaigned for the opponent. Republican Owning of Henry Gonzalez. That was a special election where Gonzalez was first elected. And in subsequent times, I would have voted for Gonzalez. If I, if I were living in San Antonio.

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Jack Valinski 15:15

Yes. Well, of course, Republicans weren't quite as bad back then.

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Yes. Goldwater proved to have a fairly libertarian streak.

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Jack Valinski 15:24

Yeah. Especially near the end, where he was talking about some of the things he probably wouldn't have opposed, like some of the Republicans are nowadays. So did you you volunteered in that election? And you? What did you phone bank or door knocking?

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I went door to door and got the door slammed in my face a number of times.

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Jack Valinski 15:46

There weren't too many Republicans in Texas back then. Was there?

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No, although 1962 is the year when Texas Republican party may do something something or breakthrough and the candidate for governor got 45% instead of 30, or 20.

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Jack Valinski 16:03

Right. Wow, wow. And over these years has the process of doing this work changed much at

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all. There's a lot of features that are pretty much the same, like doing mailings, going door to door. telephoning.

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Jack Valinski 16:21

Right? The one to one type of thing has pretty much stayed the same. Yeah. And I think it has proved to be the well has it proved to be the thing that really sort of makes the difference. I mean, you can still spend millions of dollars on TV and radio and advertising and stuff, but is sometimes the one to one probably, you know?

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Well, I've always seen that candidates do need to have some money to win. Almost always. Yeah, there. There are a lot of voters that can't be reached any other way by media, except by media advertising.

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Jack Valinski 16:55

Right. So you volunteered for progressive voters this time? Did you know just as you'd have over the many years volunteered for so many different people, including the nice and I'm sure wittmeyer to I would guess when she first ran for mayor. Yes. I Eleanor Tinsley? Yes. Wow. Yeah, that was probably the first and that was before I moved here. But that was probably the first like real win for this community, wasn't it?

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Well, of course, we Ron Waters was elected state representative from Montrose in heights in 1972. And that is really the first time I did democratic campaigning in the Houston area. I had campaigned a bit for Eugene McCarthy and huh. Hubert Humphrey in 1968. Say I switched parties about 1967. Well, there's not a definite election to define it, but

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Jack Valinski 17:47

sort of around Stonewall time.



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That was a little before Stonewall. Okay, because I was living in Ann Arbor, Michigan at the time of Stonewall, which is in 1969.



J Jack Valinski 17:59

Okay, so, after, you know, we lost, unfortunately. And you've been looking at some of the numbers and is there some general overview of what you can say?



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Well, I would say it's disappointing, but we really didn't lose too badly. And I, I've had a chance to look at, I looked at the Chronicle's democratic demographic breakdown, and they also carried the mayor's race by precinct. I haven't seen precinct results in very much except that Friday, I did drop by the City Hall and copies a number of precincts on Proposition two, and copied most of the Montrose precincts in my present precinct in my past precinct. And there there are lots of neighborhoods and parts of parts of town precincts where we won handily.



J Jack Valinski 18:54

Did it surprise you in some of these precincts that we won?



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Not really, because I was familiar with the way they had voted before. I I know that I lived in a precinct in the Third Ward until about five years ago, it was predominantly black precinct and it we carried it 58.5%. And we generally did pretty well with the black community got about 59% in the middle income blacks and more like 51 lower income.



J Jack Valinski 19:32

And that's a big difference from 85 where we don't last really badly and



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yeah, like precincts. Yes, yes. Well, I think this election shows a lack of consensus, and I think it's the other side, our opposition. That's the one that needs consensus more than we do.



J Jack Valinski 19:49

Now. Where did we lose? You know, more proportionally?



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Okay. The worst loss that the Chronicle shows is Kingwood 68.6% for we also lost in wood forest. We lost much of the West Side River Oaks Tanglewood. Let's see River Oaks and Tanglewood was 57.2% for.



J Jack Valinski 20:21

So that sort of that sort of meaning that the white upper class we've lost pretty



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many of them. Yes, we would Republican land or else now. We won 77.4% in Montrose that's calling this chronicle analysis. And I don't know exactly what precincts that is.



J Jack Valinski 20:41

Yeah, the Chronicle sort of defines Montrose not necessarily the same we do, but still, it's pretty good numbers.



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And I did get the results for individual Montrose precincts and we got 80.9% in precinct 34, which folks had love it in and it's a precinct where you and right now, your ideal. That's probably the gayest precinct in Houston. But I doubt that it is a majority GLBT I don't think there is a majority JLPT district Yes, where there there's a lot of straight people who will vote with us on a lot of things.



J Jack Valinski 21:18

That I remember Deborah Dannenberg saying many, many years ago, there isn't any in the country that's, you know, majority JLPT. But they're usually the ones that were very high. And there's a lot of straight allies within that, because, you know, they're there we sort of think alike in some ways. Yes, indeed. Now, you were involved in the campaign. Also, have you ever seen that many people involved in the campaign before?



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Well, I think I have okay, but I was impressed with it. There was i Oh, we are certainly getting volunteers and toning and doing important things.

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Jack Valinski 21:55

I understand that was close to having 300 people covering 100 precincts on the day of the election. That's pretty incredible. Uh huh. And certainly we'll be talking to grant later about that. So with with our election, we lost, you know, it was very close. But we also have an important city election coming up for mayor. Yes. And also district D. Yes. And how do those numbers looked as?

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Well, I think I think it's winnable for Brown, but it's going to take a lot of work. And I am wearing I got Thursday, I picked up a second brown t shirt, which actually is orange and blue on a white background. And I kidded people about that sometimes to make conversation, but I'm wearing them whenever I can. I wanted two T shirts so that I can watch one and wear the other.

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Jack Valinski 22:51

So looking at that, you know, it was it was I guess it was rather surprised that Sanchez came out that well.

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Yes, sort of better and better than I expected. But still, I'm not completely surprised.

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Jack Valinski 23:08

And you're volunteering for the brown campaign? Yes. Where Where can be if people are interested in helping out where could they go?

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Okay, the brown headquarters is on studi Mont, just south of Washington Avenue, is in a shopping center. And if you are coming from Montrose going north, on studi Mont, it's going to be on your right. Just a little bit before Washington Avenue. And well, it's shopping center. And there's number of brown signs out on the street, or out near the street. They did have a big American flag in the winter. I'm not sure whether they still have that or not.

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Jack Valinski 23:56

They probably I would bet they probably still do. Yes. And last

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Thursday when I went in. Right be right in the window right besides the front door. They still had

Thursday, when I went in. Right be right in the window right beside the front door. They still had a No on Proposition two. They're still that is that's after the election.

J Jack Valinski 24:11

Yes. That's pretty neat. And there's still some signs around. In fact, I grabbed one as a souvenir after the election signs. Yeah, well, they need to be picked up. But the reality is, is that you know, we've come a long way since 1985. Unfortunately, we didn't quite come, you know, enough. rather close. I think the campaign did some great work. I know they had lots of people. They're not only local, but they brought in some national people. And from my understanding is like everybody's got long and just worked on this rather than, you know, in politics. Sometimes people do argue a bit. And I certainly appreciate your work you've been doing over all these years, you know, working on these campaigns. And I know sometimes you're like the only one there at these campaigns. And, but it does make difference people getting out there and, and volunteering and helping out. Certainly we wouldn't have come this long way without volunteers. And so we've got brown and we've got Edwards and district D. And there's probably a few others that the caucuses endorsing

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Andrew Burks and audio Wadi Williamson.

J Jack Valinski 25:22

So that's important. The election will be on December 1 on a Saturday, and early voting will be happening before then. And I think it sort of takes a little break around Thanksgiving. It may start next week. I believe you're right. And early voting is a wonderful thing. Yes, I

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vote early. I always do like they all the time.

J Jack Valinski 25:43

Yes. Well, Scott, thanks for coming by and talking to us. And thanks again for your hard work that you've been doing in all these campaigns.

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I thank you for having me on there. Okay. You're listening

J Jack Valinski 25:55

to listening and any voices

to lesbian and gay voices.

G Glenn Holt 26:03

From a CD called America town, Superman, it's not easy on lesbian and gay voices.

J Joan Devlin 26:10

And that song is actually buy a band called Five For Fighting. And the songs is dedicated to our friend Tori Christianson because he's a huge Superman fan. And I was so excited when I heard that song for the first time because not only did I like it, but I knew it was about Superman. And I was going to get it for Troy. And of course, he had already had it for like

J Jack Valinski 26:29

a year. So clever, Joan.

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Oh, be quiet.

J Jack Valinski 26:33

You have favorites. Did you watch the Lucy special? Of course, I

J Joan Devlin 26:37

watched the Lucy special last night I was so excited. And they had Bill Asher on who is also the director and CO creator of bewitched. So he's a big favorite. And he was a director on Lucy Sustanon for Desi Arnaz because Desi never had time to rehearse because he always had to read behind the scenes putting stuff together. And I was just excited to see that Lucy special that was just fantastic. And if anybody is listening, as fabbed season starts tonight, Comedy Central Comedy Central, I'm taping it as we speak. So I'm pretty excited about that. Yes,

J Jack Valinski 27:09

it's like one new show, but they're running two hours worth of stuff around it or something.

J Joan Devlin 27:13

I don't know what they're doing. I have a friend in England and he told me they did do a new season. So she did do like six more shows. You

J Jack Valinski 27:20

know you had any friends.

J Joan Devlin 27:24

Though, Jack, you're thinking of yourself. So anyway. Anyway, okay, well, on that note, we're gonna go back to actually,

J Jack Valinski 27:31

before we do, speaking of, if you don't have anywhere to go Thanksgiving Day, the community center is having their second annual their third tribe, but actually their second successful, sort of a long story. Thanksgiving Day, and they're supplying the turkey and I believe everything else, they just ask that you call so they can make sure they have enough for you. Right. And that is 52433818, I believe,

J Joan Devlin 27:57

five to 43818713 area code. Yes.

J Jack Valinski 28:01

And the community center is always doing such nice and neat things.

G Glenn Holt 28:06

Yes. Do you know any gay Turkey jokes? No, I'm sorry. Okay.

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For 10 of the musical recordings that shaped our queer music history. My special guest is JD Doyle. Well, many of you have heard JD as my co anchor on audio file. What you may not know is that JD has been called one of the foremost historians of music of interest to the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered communities. And he has one of the largest private collections of this music in the world.

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There's probably few people that are as fanatic about queer music as I am. I just don't think gay and lesbian music of the past should be forgotten. So when Chris proposed this show, to

me, it was kind of a daunting task, trying to come up with the 10 songs to represent almost a century of our music.

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I asked you to pick the most 10 most important Those were the words I used, and you just didn't want to do that. You told me that that wasn't possible. Why is that

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I'd very much hedged on death, the burden of someone picking the most important how do you measure that? Would it be sales? Would it be airplay? I don't know. I just don't know how you would measure something like that. I chose to come up with a list of things that I thought were influential songs that influenced other artists. I wanted to represent as many decades as I could. There are some limitations. They're also one of my own personal criteria is I wanted music that was lyrically gay. This eliminate a lot of music right off the bat. For example, artists like Johnny Ray, Johnny Mathis, Liberace, certainly well known gay figures, saying nothing that was gay so they were off the list right off.

J Joan Devlin 29:50

So what are we going to hear first,

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I wanted to start with just about the earliest recording I could find that actually dealt with the subject of being gay. And this is from 1926. The song is called masculine women and feminine men. And it was recorded by several acts that same year. This I think, probably is the earliest one because I know it was recorded in February of 1926. It's a band orchestra from England and their name is Marek Bruni's and his friars and orchestra.

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Women witches, it's hard hard today

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for him and anyway, it's hard to tell him a bar today Hey boy when I was that

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now we don't know



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even watch



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powders back in life, nobody knows



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those masculine women and feminine men?



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That's pretty amazing for 1926 Was there anything else from that era that you found to be important?



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One other that I particularly wanted to play. Blues was kind of an important genre for gay related music. And the artist I picked was Ma Rainey. She has been called by many people the mother of the blues and she was a contemporary of Bessie Smith. And also another blues artists class Bentley, who recorded around that same time. Bessie Smith had kind of a questionable sexuality. It was debated but Randy was not so questionable. She recorded a wonderful song which has been done by many lesbian acts since the song is called the Pruvit on me blues and it was from 1928.



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I looked up the price



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when I made the choice So I didn't know where I was



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and oh God had called me



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night with a crowd of my dead women I don't like



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the winds



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nobody called me



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nobody called me out last night in bed women don't



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talk to the gas and nobody



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that was Ma Rainey with prove it on me blues. And I just love the line in that song. I went out last night with a crowd of my friends. They must have been women because I don't like no man. That's one Teresa trial recorded as well, right that was on the lesbian concentrate album and other landmark record itself.



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So after the 20s What happened then, as we move forward in time,



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I had a lot of trouble trying to find a song I thought worthy enough to include in the decades of like the 30s 40s 50s and 60s and I started studying the music that I had available. There were basically three categories that I identified. An early category was in the late 20s and early 30s. And I'll call it cross vocals. Cross vocal is when for example, a male artist sings a song intended for a female artist, but he doesn't change the pronouns. I have males recording songs like the man I love and can't help lovin that man. Even Bing Crosby did a wonderful song. Ain't no sweet man worth the salt of my tears. But the songs to me were only gay accidentally. They recorded in that way because the publishers in that time had a stranglehold on their work, you couldn't change one word of the song. And the public knew that. So they didn't really think much about it. They didn't give it a connotation of those songs being gay. So while they're fun for us listened to I don't think they quite belong in in the list that we're doing. That left me with

two areas. Blues was an area I've already kind of touched on. There were a number of blues songs up through the you know, 30s 40s 50s. Again, these were songs mostly by straight artists saying about gay people rather than gay artists. And some of them were derogatory. I can think of one title called the sissy Man Blues. The third category I came up with was novelty songs, which is pretty much always been there. And these This again, is straight artists making fun of gay people. And pretty much making fun of gay males. lesbians were pretty much invisible for the novelty song genre. There was one artist I can think of a lounge singer named Ruth Wallace in the 50s. very prolific. Good singer, good writer. She had several songs of this nature, one was called Kid rather be a girl and other one was the gay young lad from Trinidad. In that song, she finds out that her boyfriend really wanted another man and she ended up being the lookout for them while they did their thing. Again, these were straight artists. They were singing about us, it wasn't us singing our songs. That really didn't happen until almost the 70s the next song I want to play is by Maxine Feldman, and her song is called Angry AthFest it's pretty much considered the earliest openly lesbian song. Felton wrote that song In 1969, it took another three years before it got recorded on a 45. And it finally appeared on an album in 1979 that I was called closet sale. And I also got to hear Maxine sing this song at the 1979 Gay Lesbian march on Washington. Here's Maxine Falgun with angry at us

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in part two of this special three part series Chris Wilson and JD Doyle will feature mum

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Kim mom. Something important to say surround

 Greg Gordon 40:48

me guy that's part two of queer vinyl next time on this way out. Thanks for tuning into this way out the international lesbian and gay radio magazine. This week Cindy Friedman, Brian Nunez, Chris Hambidge, Jason Lynn, Rex walk near Graham Underhill and Chris Wilson and JD Doyle contributed program material. Thanks also to Christopher David Trentham, Kim Wilson composed and performed our theme music. Remember, you can listen to this way out anytime online exclusively on planet out, just point your browser to www dot planted out.com and click first on multimedia than on radio. Some of this way out operating expenses are funded by direct charitable donations from our listeners around the world which are currently being matched dollar for dollar by a grant from the gill foundation for an important message about this way outs tenuous financial situation please visit our web page this way. out.org Email us at TW o radio@aol.com Or write to us at Post Office Box 38327 Los Angeles California 90038 USA for Alicia Chapelle and everyone that this way out. I'm Greg Gordon. Thanks for listening on KU oh I Moscow, Idaho plains FM, Christchurch, New Zealand, W SMU North Dartmouth, Massachusetts and more than 125 other stations around the world, including this community radio station, please stay tuned.

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Glenn Holt 43:28

You're listening to lesbian and gay voices.



Joan Devlin 43:32

Good evening, I'm Joan Devlin. And you're listening as Glenn said on his recording to lesbian and gay voices. And I am here with Robert Lewis, to talk about the men's gathering. And he has a very interesting topic for this month talking about masculine and feminine, the myth of masculine and feminine. Exactly. And can you explain a little bit about that to us?



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Well, it's just was basically about masculinity versus femininity, are gay men real men, is basically what the topic was all about. And I had the privilege of facilitating half of the meeting.

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Joan Devlin 44:10

So what are some of the the myths and stereotypes that that tend to come up even today in the year 2001, about gay men?

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Well, basically, the myth is still there that a lot of us are overly feminine or not masculine. And, you know, the meeting was just about also how the media plays into that as well as you know, what we see on TV and how we're portrayed.

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Joan Devlin 44:38

Now, do you still run into the situation where you see and we know we've all been through this where you see men say who maybe aren't as almost a macho or whatever, buying into like almost a stereotype of being macho or you know, like the joke about you know, the person who doesn't like sports pretending to be like a huge Football fan because he thinks that makes him look more masculine. Do you still see that kind of behavior?

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Um, yes, we do. We do see that a lot. And, you know what, what the meeting was basically about is to address that issue and about our are we real men? And not just how the media portrays us, but also how we're expected to behave by our own families?

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Joan Devlin 45:24

And what are some examples of that? And that's, it's a good topic, because we've got the holidays coming up. So you know, suddenly, you see people become a whole different person, because they're going home.

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Exactly, exactly. Basically, you know, by our families just expect us to behave in a certain way. Like, you know, my example I was, I was expected to be rough, masculine, show very little emotions. That's the way my father raised me, because that's the way his Father raised Him. And even when I was getting disciplined, I was expected not to show any tears or any pain or anything like that. And that was something I really had to work to get beyond. Basically, you know, what the meeting was about? It's, it takes a real man to show emotions.

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Joan Devlin 46:18

And that's the thing, what would you say to somebody who's struggling with that? who's struggling with their self image? And with other things? And with their family? And with their work?

struggling with their self images? And with even, you know, coming out? And am I a real man? Or am I not? Or, you know, how would you tell? What would you tell somebody



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is thinking I would tell them that, yes, you are real man. And real, a real man is not defined by whether he's gay or not. A real man is defined by how he carries himself. And basically, you know, too, it takes a real man to show emotions. And it takes a real man to open himself up to be vulnerable. And personally, that's something I've really had to work on myself. Because just, you know, growing up with a father, who basically told me not to show emotions, because that's the way he was raised. And that's what the way his Father raised Him, and so on, and so forth. So basically, what I would say to someone who is struggling with masculine versus feminine, it takes a real man to show emotions. And basically, there's a little bit of masculinity and femininity and all of us.



J Joan Devlin 47:31

And I think that's important. What was the response to the meeting? I mean, where people were emotions running high, or people kind of going out? Yes, yes, this is what I've been waiting to hear.



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Basically, it was kind of a tough topic to get into, you know, because we all bring those. We kind of all bring those preconceived notions to the table. But once the meeting got going, and we were able to really talk about it, you know, it, it really flowed well, to that. How



J Joan Devlin 48:01

many people did you have at the meeting? This meeting, we



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had about 40 people.



J Joan Devlin 48:06

Wow. So would they know what the topic is beforehand, right? Because you send your emails out?



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Absolutely. Absolutely, from me. We have a Yahoo club that the men's gapping has on yahoo dot com dot au dot yahoo dot com. And yes, we do advertising what the meeting is about half time.

out men's gathering.com. And yes, we we do advertise what the meeting is about half time.

J Joan Devlin 48:25

Now, what are some of your upcoming topics here for the next, say, next month or in January?

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We're still working on that.

J Joan Devlin 48:36

Still still in the planning stage in

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the planning stages, but that's half the, that's the fun of it, too.

J Joan Devlin 48:41

Now, if people want to join the men's gathering, what do they have to do?

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They can give Paul Guillory a call. He's the facilitator, His number is area code 713-528-4461.

J Joan Devlin 48:56

Okay, and give us a little background on the men's gathering for people who maybe aren't familiar with it totally.

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Well, we're basically a support group for African American, same gender loving transgender bisexual men to come together and to empower us and share issues that affect our community.

J Joan Devlin 49:15

And how is the transgender turnout, Ben with the men's gathering? Have you gotten a pretty good response from that?



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We haven't seen a lot of the transgender turnout, but they're definitely welcome.



J Joan Devlin 49:27

That's good. That's good. Because you know, a lot of groups don't go, yeah, they exclude transgendered people.



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Transgender are welcome. Great. Well,



J Joan Devlin 49:37

I want to thank you so much for being on the show this evening. Oh, give us your meetings again.



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That is the men's gathering. And we meet every other Saturday at the community Gospel Church in the heights. It's on the corner of Washington, Lillian.



J Joan Devlin 49:51

Great. Well, thank you so much. name again. My name is Robert Lewis. Lewis for the men's gathering. And you're listening to lesbian and gay voices. Oh



G Glenn Holt 50:05

boy with a secret from the 1998 album, loud boy radio, this is lesbian and gay voices and we're going to take a step back in time to an archived version from this way out, and interview with Kay with luck



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there was a man who took a stand to try and shed some light. He said that sexual preferences a basic human right, the scoreboard laid him off and said the budget was too tight. That sounds suspiciously like homophobia, tell me a woman with a child of sex good place to live. And finally her lover said why don't you just move in the landlord made excuses and raise the rent again. sounds suspiciously like homophobia to me.



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It happens all the time. It's not considered a crime it's just another side to the dye bag it's on there.



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In this interview with que Whitlock Alan Ross w x p ns gay dreams and the author of bridges of respect, agree that the publicity tour may be as important as her groundbreaking book on the issues of gay and lesbian youth.



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People who are very fearful of homosexuality create what I call psychic ghost stories, where they project kind of very tangled sexual ideas onto lesbian and gay people. And they sort of focus on this lifestyle, this amorphous something bad that is imagined to happen when you're exposed to to lesbian and gay people. We want to take the discussion out of the realm of the psychic ghost stories, and focus on the real person to person consequences of homophobia, homophobia, we're saying to people with concrete examples is not just a bad attitude. And it's not something that just hurts gay people's feelings. That it is an attitude that unchecked translates into real violence in real people's lives, that people are killed by homophobia. People are gay bashed by homophobia or raped or gang raped by homophobia that people experience terrible loneliness, terrible isolation, terrible feelings of shame, which are also forms of violence that are committed with indifference, with neglect, by words by silence, and most people don't think of it in that way. They sort of think of homophobia as having no consequences. This



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is the stuff that makes these talk shows really profoundly important for our lives. So if you could share a little bit about some of the experiences and some of the people who have asked you very homophobic questions on his talk shows,



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it's been very interesting on the talk shows for one thing, you're just a sort of faceless voice that's going out there. So listeners are often free to project any kind of an image onto you that they want. And when you're a member of an unpopular minority, and you're on a talk show, people who really don't like who you are, feel free to say the ugliest, most brutal things right to your face. And I remember particularly a woman who was calling in from Texas to a talk show, I was doing originating out of Gary, Indiana, and she was talking about how gay people in general just offended her by our very existence. And she talked about being disgusted by gay pride parades and wondered why we were just these sort of sexual beasts and on and on and on. And it was quite a diatribe. And I turned the discussion back to the kind of violence that say somebody like Charlie Howard in Bangor, Maine, experienced when he was murdered by a gang of teens for for no other reason than he was gay. And her response was, of course, that well, he

wouldn't have been murdered if they hadn't known who he was that he really brought his death on himself. At that point, the phone lines at the station in Gary, Indiana began to just light up and a lot of callers all of whom identified themselves as heterosexual called in in each head, witness some form of homophobia and Although all of them didn't particularly quote unquote, approve of homosexuality, all of them were so appalled by this woman's just blanket statement that Charlie Howard deserved to die by virtue of who he was that, regardless of their opinions about lesbians and gay men, they called in to say this, this is unacceptable. And it does make me realize we have to provide a lot of opportunities for people to take a stand on our side. And we know, for example, through some of the information that groups like the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, or the Philadelphia lesbian and gay Task Force, some of the different groups that are collecting statistics on violence seem to be showing that homophobic violence is actually either increasing, or else we're getting a much clearer reporting of the extent of it. So it's still a very serious problem. And I wouldn't suggest it's going away. But I do think that what we're finding out is something we've kind of known all along, but it never hurts to hear, again, is that there are some people who say you can't bring up certain issues don't rock the boat, especially don't link youth and homosexuality, those are very volatile, don't talk about this, they will only damage your cause we can do much more very quietly. Well, we see what quiet has gotten us. Quiet just increases the violence, it allows it to go on, and everybody pretends that it doesn't exist, and people get killed and wounded emotionally and physically in the meantime. So we think we should talk very loudly about this. And in fact, when we do, yes, the opposition comes out, especially some of the very religious right. People go to the furthest extremes to express themselves very, very violently, but so do people who may not have had the opportunity to think about it. Now we're witnessing. Some people were actually saying when they call into these talk shows around bridges of respect, and about lesbian and gay you that they've never expressed their opinion publicly, but they're expressing it for the first time. Sometimes they give their names on the air. So people are hearing their friends and neighbors in a dialogue that no one imagined they would be in. I don't want to overestimate how that will translate into change. But I think it's I think it's important. There haven't



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been very many books on lesbian and gay youth. Why do you think that is up until now?



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Well, I think that a lot of the groups that have done a lot of the really pioneering work with lesbian and gay youth have been so busy trying to do their programs with very little resources that the energy to also take on that project is really hard to do when you're sort of on the front lines. We had a lesbian and gay rights task force at the American Friends Service Committee, in the community relations area, that a number of us were involved in different ways with youth issues. But we didn't have to support a program of say, social services or something like that. So we thought we had some of the energy and and perhaps some of the knowledge about where to go for the information to start pulling something together.



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We have a school board here in Philadelphia that doesn't permit any gay books in its in its library. Do you think there's any hope that this book will find its way to the teachers of

Philadelphia schools?



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Well, even though not all, Quakers, of course, would agree with the point of view expressed in bridges of respect. The Community Relations, Division of American Friends Service Committee has a statement that I agree with very much, which says that power and rights are never given they are exercised. I honestly think we have to have, unfortunately, but you know, it's true in every movement for social change is sort of long and wild, historic patience and persistence about this. And not let them get away with no, they say, No, we'll come back. They say no, again, we'll come back even stronger. That's how things get changed. People are not going to always welcomed us with open arms, but when they understand we're a force to be reckoned with. And unfortunately, we just don't go away. We're there day after day. It's not an instant solution, but it will change doesn't matter who the superintendent is or isn't, it will change.



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I've been speaking to Kay Whitlock, the author of bridges of



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respect, creating support for lesbian and gay youth. It's a resource guide from the American Friends Service Committee.



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And for this way out from Philadelphia. This is Alan Ross.



Glenn Holt 1:00:02

And that was a special archived edition from the lesbian and gay voices Archive. From February of last year an interview with Kay Whitlock. You are listening to lesbian and gay voices.



Joan Devlin 1:00:15

Good evening, I'm Joe Devlin and we have Janine brunches in the studio was a little mixup in the scheduling. And then also, she's been busily campaigning around. So we're here to talk tonight about Mayor Browns campaign. Mayor Brown did gather the most votes last Tuesday in the election. But unfortunately, there will still be a runoff, there still will be a runoff a big one. And this is extremely important to the gay community. And Janine is here to tell us exactly why.



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Oh, that's right. And thank you, Joan. And then jack for the invitation saving I am sorry about the scheduling just a few minutes late, but I have to tell everybody that I have come from campaign headquarters and where everybody's busily, you know, replenishing their supply of yard signs and picking up bumper stickers. And it's just like a beehive. Everybody's there's a lot of activities a difficult

J Jack Valinski 1:01:07

time to do so do a campaign, because we're starting getting the holiday season. Yes. And it's like after, you know, that November date. It's like the election supposed to be over with. Right. Right. You know, and in New York, they have like the primary before, and then they have the runoff election day. So it's a little bit tough this time of year.

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It is tough. And I think what makes it even just a little bit tougher, you know, there's historically there's always it's always a challenge getting people back for a runoff. And you know, in the first part, not everybody came out that right should have voted and had the right to vote on November 6, and

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especially all these people carrying these American flags everywhere on cars, or, you know, and there's so America Well, the whole thing about America is the right to vote.

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Yes. It's the greatest one of the greatest privileges we have. And the reason I think it's even not that it's more of a privilege now, but a more important exercise for us right now is we are in a very what, you know, Janine will call a very dangerous position. He I speak about Houston, and I speak about the GLBT community. And any social program that's at least liberal and generous is at stake right now. And I said, for those folks who didn't get out and vote November 6, and the ones that did get out and vote, there's a lot of people I've talked to say, Gee, I vote November 6, you know, you're right. Because of the holidays, I get lulled a little bit, and I'm saying, absolutely. Listen to what you're saying, you know, we're we're getting ready for what could be in my mind a historical event here are hysterical events. I can't imagine anyone else in office besides labor, of course,

J Jack Valinski 1:02:55

we're all biased here. But let's talk about some of the differences.

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Okay. Yeah. Well, you know, therein lies the query. Qu e ry, I guess, you know, I attended a small meeting with the mayor and some folks yesterday. And one of the things that came out, and it's no secret that ORLANDO SANCHEZ doesn't truly define himself, or he defines himself by not defining himself. So people are struggling with what clearly are the differences other than the obvious. And the obvious are, you know, in my mind is, this is this is a guy that doesn't support affirmative action. This is a guy that was for city prop to mean some of the clear things, and I'm saying this particular to our community in minority communities. This gentleman, you know, portends that he is this. He, of course, is a Cuban Hispanic, but a Hispanic who's, who has climbed the ropes and learned Spanish from a very early age as an immigrant, whereas this guy spoke fluent English at age five. So he's painting a picture of himself in there. And to me lies one Another difference is that I don't think the mayor paints himself to be anything he isn't. He'll tell you that he could be better on TV, you know, he'll tell you that he's not a politician. This will be the last office he'll hold, right. I

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mean, Mayor Brown isn't necessarily this most charismatic type of person when he speaks, but he certainly has the background from you know, being the police chief in Houston and in Atlanta and in New York. Right. And drugs are That's right. I mean, that's pretty incredible. And knowing these things, and, you know, and it's really easy to say, well, he's the first mayor that wrote down on the parade, you know, is that a reason to vote for him? Well, look at the courage it took to do that. Yes,

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it took a lot of courage. And he, he did it happily, and his wife did it with him. Yeah, they think that and the upcoming A black tie dinner a couple of their most favorite events to be with the community.

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And the fact that he's going to be working with a nice, they work very closely. Absolutely,

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absolutely. They're very strong together. And I think that and once again, a nice is right with the mayor as he, as he works to defeat Rolando Sanchez coming up. You know, somebody asked me, I spoke to the shell group at University of Houston today. And someone said to me, well, Janine, do you think, you know, the Hispanics are going to, you know, vote more than the African Americans? And, and I said, you know, this isn't not a race about ethnicity at all. I think Houston is ready for whatever, whatever kind of Mayor it is, ethnically, you know, I'm saying it's an issue

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Jack Valinski 1:05:48

is that the three main candidates that were running for mayor, you know, there's white, Hispanic, and black. And there was no real issues about that and enact. I mean, Mayor Brown sort of proved it four years ago, when he ran, that there wasn't this real decisiveness over white versus black. It was over who would probably serve the city better. Absolutely. And, you know, it was really interesting. I was there's this somebody posted this thing on hand that about, you know, Euston isn't the most exciting city, you know, some of us are here, because we found a job, you know, it's not a San Francisco. But you know, a lot of what Euston is what we make of it? That's right. You know, usually this is really neat city that you can feel very comfortable in shorts, which I do very well, a lot, or, you know, we've got these incredible restaurants, you know, and it's just our, you know, it's our place. And yes, sometimes the weather's really bad, but, you know, look at the weather this time of year, you know, you can sleep with the windows open. And we a lot of us have made it, you know, and unfortunately, we really, we lost this referendum, our proposition, but, you know, we've came a lot closer. And I think it probably proved that this community couldn't, couldn't do this incredible campaign. Yes. Probably one of the best in the country ever done,



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ever, ever. You know, even though I recognize that we went on record, like last week, I think as being the only one in five to be defeated, so to speak, that, you know, in grant pates is very nicely. I know, your next guest. He you know, he, you know, he talks about where we were at 85. And Jack and Joan, you both know, this history and where we are now, what we're up to two percentage points away for, you know, from winning this, you know, for defeating this, this proposition. So, and I came here in 85, as I said, in a prior show, when we were, you know, shoot the queers. So I think we've made a lot of progress. But I see, now that that's occurred. I see that defeat a week ago, even though in a lot of ways, it was a win for us. And there's been a lot of progress, that I think the acceptance of Proposition two in our city could fuel I think, or has fueled the right wing conservatives. And I think that will give them more fuel or more gasoline to come out and get to the polls to get Sanchez, not the Hispanic, you know, but Sanchez, the man in office, you know, I think it's gonna it could it's a very scary thing.



J Joan Devlin 1:08:21

Well, I wanted to go a little bit further with that, too. Because Houston was the only city, the only city where the referendum passed. And so this might be, you know, they have a lot of time and energy now to put into keeping Houston Yes, because they don't have any more work to do in these four cities. They were defeated decisively, and these other four cities, and you know, so this is where they can focus. They've got their foot in the door, and they want to push their way in. And the other thing



J Jack Valinski 1:08:52

that I do remember right after an 85 on the street, slate,



J Joan Devlin 1:08:56

yeah, yeah. And I also wanted to add that on on the news media, the other news media, there's

a lot of commentary about, oh, this race is between an African American man and a Latino man, hispanic man. And it's almost like they're making it sound as if there are no differences between these two gentlemen, other than their ethnicity. You know, it's and it's very frustrating to me because there are major, major differences. Well, how is to combat the

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fact that Orlando has never managed anybody. You know, the mayor has had 1000s of employees. You know, the mayor, the Orlando's budget is was zip in his career, basically. And the mayor's, you know, the mayor himself has managed hundreds of 1000s of dollars, millions, billions. And so, you know, we've got we have two people where they're, they're dif different ethnically. What divides them is to who they truly are and what they stand for. I mean, to me gets like, the very leftist in the very brightest in a way. It's not really a central, you know. And that's it, we saw how the central strategy really didn't work. And I have to say that I really, you know, like Chris Bell and I admire Chris Bell. I think he's a great guy. He's been a friend of the community, and is always two years away. Well, there's always two years away. And you know, which, which I think would be wonderful. And I but but at the same time, I think and I do hope that Chris encourages his support towards Mayor Brown. Right now, it hasn't been decided yet. There has not been announced. Right?

J Joan Devlin 1:10:35

Yeah. Because if he could get his what was it? 17 18%. Yes. To throw their support behind Mayor Brown, that would really maybe help,

J Jack Valinski 1:10:44

would help. Definitely also on a run off, you don't have had to have voted in the general election. Right. As long as you're a registered voter, you can vote? That's right. And unlike Florida, your vote will count. Right?

J Joan Devlin 1:10:55

Yeah, that's come out. It's a

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whole nother ballgame in it. Yeah. But I'll tell you what I want to speak to one other thing, because this came up yesterday in this meeting, that I was with a mayor that the mayor will sit and many audiences and articulate clearly the plan, its its development plan for? Well, this section of town we're going to focus on and this fan is going to be done here and Louisiana is going to be and there is a black and white plan, as this is how this Squall rollout. Now, what the mayor agreed to is it has not been clearly articulated, necessarily to the public. And I think the public wants to know these things, they want to know why were torn up here and torn up there. The mayor can clear clearly without hesitation tell you why these things are happening. But we

all haven't seen it or we all have not had the opportunity to embrace it either by ads or whatever it might be. And I think if nothing else, the mayor took that away. Well, the conversation is

J Jack Valinski 1:12:00

really amazing downtown, how it is shaping up, you know, it is beautiful, the sidewalks are in got trees and, and you know, it's really nice. And the fact that this is all done now, and as a nice explain as she was on the air, you know, earlier Not tonight, but previously was that, you know, when they dug up the streets, they basically did everything they needed to do with all the pipe, of course, not everything you can predict. But basically all the utilities underneath the street, they redid them now that you know, so that hopefully, this stuff won't have to be done again for a long time. And you don't know when that's exactly where that stuff is because it shifts strangely enough, it does. But you know, already Louisiana and Smith, while Louisiana is you know, there's a lot of it done. And it's really nice. And, you know, it's like the last time we had a boom, here, we got all those high art things and now hobby center is going to be finished. And I know that

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that is that I you know, a tour of that the other day and a heart hack. And it was part of this course I'm taking and it is

J Jack Valinski 1:12:57

I just wanted to wear that hard hat I

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did village people or something like that. But, you know, I was thinking while I was in there, because I remember seeing a visual of the mayor, you know, flying over that and a helicopter or something like that, you know, and I thought you know, this is another one of tomato seven wonders, you know, that's now coming about because of the prosperity of the city. And whereas the linear brown combination, you know, as they fell out or fell Andhra in their elections that were elected, and that they work together to make this city what it is, and I just think there's going to be some choking of that kind of prosperity, if we elect mistakenly a conservative such as Sanchez.

J Jack Valinski 1:13:42

Well, you know, we talk about world class cities and, you know, for Houston to be you know, unfortunately, we sort of missed the boat a little bit with this past election on the proposition but, you know, a world class city is an open city, right? You know, and any type of you know, culture is, you know, the fact that women have a right to have rights and stuff like that, as you, you know, talking about the other worlds, the other side of the world and stuff like that. And,

you know, cities are the same thing. You know, look at San Francisco and unfree, you know, they're they going through tough times now, but it was a booming city, because it was an incredibly embracing city, as opposed to Jacksonville, Florida who tried to build a high tech sector, and they don't want to touch that city because it is not open. It's a very conservative.



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Right. Yes. And that and that's certainly a message that our city sent out no matter how close the vote was last week, and



J Jack Valinski 1:14:31

it does really need to be said that, you know, certainly in 85 the businesses were against us, right, you know, they'd wanted no part of this and now the business is either somewhat remain neutral, or we're definitely, you know, saying that we need to be you know, we need to embrace this because a lot of them have including like the Chronicle have domestic partner benefits as their company policy, not because it's the law, not because they're required to it simply because it makes good business sense.



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It makes excellent business sense Jack and I think that, you know, when we look at our bid for the Olympics? I mean, please. I mean, I think this could come into play the the other thing, you know, we're in the middle, you know, I think y'all know, I'm a nurse. So we're in the middle of all this crisis, we have a nursing shortage? Well, I can tell you, just from my experience in health care that there are a lot of health care workers that are GLBT. And, you know, we're nurturing people, we're, we're social work kind of people. And the field is full of people like that I would not be attracted to a city that was discriminating. Right, you know, so this, this sends a message out in so many corridors? It's, it's unbelievable.



J Jack Valinski 1:15:35

Well, exactly. I mean, some of us had choices of where we're going to move and where what we made our home, and, you know, the cities that are more open, definitely. And it's just like this, you know, when they were talking about all this, you know, scare health wise nationally, the underlying thing is, is where is our health? You know, where is the state of our health not doing? I'm talking about Euston but nationally, yes. The fact is, we don't have all these things. I mean, if you don't have insurance, you're really tough shape. And, you know, perhaps us as a community should have really looked more at, you know, I know, they hate that word, socialized medicine, but, you know, the fact that it'd be open for more than just for, you know, partnerships, right. But that's a whole nother story.



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It's another story. And it's part of that, you know, national reform that Hillary was working on.
So she was gonna do

So some got bagged on,

J Jack Valinski 1:16:23

just wanted. Yeah, when we look back at that, wouldn't that have been a great thing? And certainly, we know that Canada, who has, you know, the socialized medicine has problems, too. But they're not quite as, you know, as bad as problems that we have with

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a waiting lesson. And you know, but it's still Jack, even there, it's still up. It's still a program for people who have to a large degree and that and I think people shouldn't lose sight of that, because you can still buy your way into Houston, Texas, if you want to get like in Canada, you might be 25th on the waiting list and get out for an open heart and 10 weeks, but in Houston, you pay yourself you can pay your way to see the bank, his team tomorrow if you get enough money. So it's still a system for the haves. And I hate to say that, but you know, the tragedy of the travesty now is that we don't have enough professionals now to take care of our aging population, and even GLBT, you know, all of us. Because even at Texas, 60% of the nurses in Texas are my age, they're boomers. So we're all going to retire at the same time. And who's going to we're going to look to the next generation, but there aren't enough of them. So that's a whole nother issue. And I think that I think and I know that the mayor is sensitive to the health care issue. I think he is

J Joan Devlin 1:17:41

and I wanted to bring another subject up now that we have passed this referendum. How is that going to affect new businesses coming into Euston? Oh, right. Well, the Olympic bid Yeah, among other things, which is a big deal.

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It's going to be a big message. And it it, you know, a lot can happen over the next couple of years. Okay, a lot could happen. Hopefully, mayor, Mayor Brown will be reelected. Thank, you know, if we if we get a conservative we could we'll be looking at non discrimination being somehow overturned or mangled. So you know, this will send a huge message and has to the Olympic Committee. So but I think we've got some time to do some work particularly.

J Jack Valinski 1:18:21

Great. We have early voting coming up next week. Yes, take a little break around Thanksgiving, then it will start again. Right. And then on the first which is a Saturday, which is like in another thing? Yeah. Go out Saturday. Yes. And vote. So you know,

J Joan Devlin 1:18:35

the well, the I have to work excuse won't work then if it's on a Saturday unless

J Jack Valinski 1:18:39

it's you and having to work or ed. So that's really important. And every community organization has backed Mayor Brown for reelection. And let's take a little break. Now. When we come back. Grant is going to talk about some of the things that we learned and and some of the great things that came out of this this defeat in a community getting together and working together. May I

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make one other point before your for you cut me off? Is that I think I think evidence in this election also that we need to look to those folks who are in runoffs for council. Yes, because we need to rely on those people to be friends of our communities just in case and even not case. When Mayor Brown I'll speak very positively Mayor Brown gets into office. I hope that he has council members that that support our causes. And if ORLANDO SANCHEZ somehow gets in office that we have council members that are sensitive to our issues, so everybody needs to pay attention to those runoff and select our friends. Okay, like it. It was a cloudy Williamson are very good people. I think we need to look very carefully at the council seats.

J Jack Valinski 1:19:50

Absolutely. Absolutely. Thank you. I

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had to get that last word. Yes.

J Jack Valinski 1:19:53

Well, and we look forward to coming back and giving us a report from the mayor's office representing our community.

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Thank you, Jack. Thank you. You're

J Jack Valinski 1:20:01

listening to lesbian gay voices



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Some folks call me Jay I do a show called reach out in the darkness every late Monday night, early Tuesday morning, one to 4am. This late Monday, early Tuesday morning one to 4am by way of expressing my love for female artists and women in general. I'm presenting Ladies Night volume number two women in rock. This is the show you don't want to miss. I'll be covering many styles and many ladies, more than one decade, that's for sure. That's one to 4am late Monday, early Tuesday morning, November 13. On 90.1 FM KPFT. The sound of



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Lots of kids can't sound out letters. With one out of seven. It may be a sign of a learning disability.



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Glenn Holt 1:21:48

You are listening to lesbian and gay voices.

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Jack Valinski 1:21:51

Grant Martin. I'm wondering if you got a couple days worth of sleep?

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Not yet working on the runoff?

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Jack Valinski 1:21:59

Yes. Well, I mean, from all indications, and I wasn't like on the in the direct thing there. But, you know, this was probably one of the most organized campaigns probably the city's ever seen. I mean, I understand that we had 300 people out the day of the election at the polls, that is absolutely incredible. I don't think they had that many out for, you know, the early days of Whitmire. Or, you know, certainly owner Tensley. That's pretty damn incredible. I work day that you had, you know, up to 50 people making calls at night, you had the two major national organizations here working together, helping us out. And I remember somebody saying that, you know, this was really great, because there was like, people weren't arguing where they were working, which is very difficult in politics. Because we all have different opinions. And that it really brought out the community.

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I think so I mean, I guess I should say at the outset, I wanted to win. So you know, we're losing sucks and winnings. Good. But given that we lost, we had a lot of victories. And this sort of coalition of people is definitely one of them. Certainly a coalition within our own community of different organizations that have been rivals from time to time, but also outside of our community,

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Jack Valinski 1:23:27

black community supporting us, is really incredible, because in 85, it wasn't that way.

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Right? I mean, the black neighborhoods, if you look at that breakout in the Chronicle, almost without exception, voted our way by wide margins. I actually have a couple of thoughts about that. I mean, I have one homework assignment for myself, I think we have a lesson about coalition building, and we need to understand that coalition's are not one way streets, right. So one of the historic things that happened here was that the Reverend William Lawson and Reverend Kirby, John Caldwell, who are leading African American ministers endorsed our side. So my homework is that as soon as I get past these runoffs, I'm gonna go to lunch with those guys and say, you know, what can I do for you? Well, I mean, tell me about what's going

on in your world, and how can my community help because, you know, I don't want to be in the position of waiting for the next time to be the only time that we go back and talk. And I think it's actually we have to be really careful about this. I got some sort of disturbing news from our friend, Garnett Coleman, that, you know, we just built this big coalition around this campaign between the gay community and the black community. And now this district de reyes has been you know, as the potential for doing some damage to that. There. He was at a meeting for the Harris County Council organizations and the job Womack was talking about how gay white people are trying to take over the district. And he was looking at the eight Edward Edwards numbers and, you know, it's it's like we're gonna have to all pull together and make sure that we stay together because you know, the forces on the other side are still not small enough where we can defeat them by ourselves. So we have good lessons to learn and a lot of work to do.

 J Jack Valinski 1:25:29

Well, what are the some of the things you think we did learn over this? That the white community, for example, didn't really vote our way, especially in the west and the north?

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That's true. And I, you know, I think there are issues here that that we need to really analyze. I mean, I think minority communities get discrimination, and they understand what discrimination is about and why separating out you know, one group of people and treating them differently is discriminating, it'd be really interesting to see when the vote by voter histories come back what the gender breakdown is, because I suspect that women voted our way. Yeah. I think that class differences also come at play here. And I think a lot of the more affluent West Side precincts voted against us, because I think that they don't have to worry about benefits, you know, a lot of them have to worry about benefits to the workplace. I mean, it's not an economic issue for them, and like it is for a lot of people in our community.

 J Jack Valinski 1:26:35

Well, you know, and it was interesting, because some of the people, even our community don't get benefits themselves, but they went out and vote it. That's right. And, and then, you know, also a niece's close race. That was a little scary, wasn't it?

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It scared me, I didn't go to bed till three in the morning, I waited until the very last vote was counted down at the Astro Arena. We knew from polling that we had done that a nice numbers were gonna get dragged down by the proposition. And I think that it surprised us to the extent that how much they got dragged down. I think what it points up to as part of what I heard, my friend Jeanine talking about is that you know, even though these are nonpartisan races, you know, they're there. Every year, they get more and more sort of sorted out into liberal versus conservative, you want to put it that well, Word will certainly a nice Parker versus Don Fitch and that run off, you know, in the same year that Les Brown was selected did. And so I think

you've got a situation where you've got the social conservatives, that are they've got momentum on their side, they passed this proposition, they've got their guy Orlando into a runoff. There are people coming out, it's like, it's going to be a de facto slate, basically. I mean, you've got the Sanchez, who is anti gay, you've got Shelly Rodriguez, who told one of our poll workers on election day that the reason that she supported the Prop was because she had to draw the line somewhere, because gay people might want to actually start adopting kids, if you don't draw the line somewhere. Yeah, God forbid that. You know, and you've got Michael Berry who supported the proposition. And so I really think that it's kind of, you know, a wave of people that are coming in, it's up to our community, in large part to stop it.

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Jack Valinski 1:28:30

Yeah. And so we have, you know, the mayor's race to be voting on at large three and at large for and then we have a couple of districts correct. So and, you know, of course, the very important district is district D, which is the Montrose area, which is, you know, ADA has been on here, I think, what, two or three times we've had, yes, on the show. And that's a very important race, of course. So your experience in this was, was all this, all this work, raising money, putting this thing together? It wasn't worth it.

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Well, clearly is worth it. I mean, I took this very personally, I do this for a living, but I didn't charge dime, I donated all my time, and pretty much all my expenses. I, you know, I think that, you know, I'm always trying to stay on message, but the voice managed to pull my one off message, quote out, and it talks about this insidious little provision, you know, festering in our chart, and I, that's the way I feel about this thing, you know, it was definitely worth it. I gotta tell you, it's the strangest circumstances of ever having to run a campaign I've ever been in with the whole September 11 disaster and

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Jack Valinski 1:29:46

economy going down. Right, right.

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I mean, it was just bizarre, and, but I'm proud of the work that we did, and I'm very grateful to all the people that

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Jack Valinski 1:29:55

well, and I think people ought to realize too, that Eustis is very unusual place. He's that it keeps annexing So it not only has it sort of what's left of the center of central liberal area, but also encompasses its conservative suburbs. It's all the same jurisdiction. And that's a difficult thing and a city of 1.8 million people, it's hard to get that message out.



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Well, you know, there's a lot of hope there, though, because you look at, obviously, you know, a lot of your listeners are familiar with what happened in 1985. And we lost by 64 percentage points on discriminate non discrimination ordinance that just protected gay city employees in the workplace. This year, we were able to pass a non discrimination ordinance that protected gay and lesbian city employees and bisexual and transgender city employees from workplace discrimination with very little controversy at all. Nope, certainly no referendum. And then on a much more contentious issue, like domestic partner benefits, you know, we still came just shy of 6700 votes from winning. So even though you're right, the population is sort of growing, and we're all getting more polarized. The signs there are hopeful. Your point about the city getting big is is true though, you we can't win these without money. And we were able to get up on television. And I think that's how we were able to sort of come from a 10 point deficit, and that the Chronicle showed us in the polls down to a two point deficit. But you know, without money, and without a really well organized field campaign, which is what we were able to put together here, through PVA and the help of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force in the Human Rights Campaign. I don't think we could have done the work that we could have that we did. And I think we're gonna have to keep that momentum going.



J Joan Devlin 1:31:50

I wanted to talk to you too, about something you said to me last week when I spoke to you about how easy it would be just to blame this all on Dave Wilson. How much of this really, you know, lands on Dave Wilson, and his Houstonians for family values? How much of this actually lands on their shoulders? Well, I



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you know, I'll answer that in two parts. One, my personal opinion of Dave Wilson, I just think he's, you know, a pathetic little bigot, who's got an abnormal obsession with gay people. But to answer your question, you know, I really think that the results of this election are a pretty accurate reflection of where Houstonians are on this issue right now, I think that roughly half the people you know, are for domestic partner benefits, and half of them are not and whether we had won by two points or lost by two points, I think that it's really incumbent on our community and our allies to continue to educate voters and Houstonians in general about the value of gay and lesbian families.



J Jack Valinski 1:32:55

And I understand you had a lot of volunteers who weren't necessarily JLPT people.



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Oh, I think, well over half volunteers or restraint. Volks. Yeah, incredible. Yeah, I think, you know, it's people realize that it's an issue of discrimination. I mean, I guess, I've heard people say, I don't know if this is really true. But I've heard people say that, you know, discrimination

against gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people is sort of the last acceptable form of discrimination. Yeah,

J Jack Valinski 1:33:21

we've all heard that, like, find somebody else to pick on. That's true. Many Arab

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Americans are now going to take our place for a while. I don't know. So

J Jack Valinski 1:33:29

all this work. Where do we go from here? Is there?

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Well, people keep asking about the legal challenge Avenue and we're taking a look at that. Basically, I've got a team of attorneys that are looking at attacking it from on procedural grounds, on constitutional grounds. I don't know where all that's going to go to turn out how all that's gonna turn out yet. It's still a little bit premature. We, once this thing made it on the ballot, we focused all of our energies on the campaign. So we sort of suspended our legal analysis. And that's what we're going through right now. Apart from that, if this thing stays on the books, as you probably know, by now, our charter can only be amended once every two years. There is another legal issue that I'm actually interested in right now that I don't know the answer to. And that is that in November 2003, Election Day is on the fourth, which is two days shy of two years. So I'm not quite sure if that means that you'd be kicked over to sort of the next uniform election day in January or perhaps March of 2004. Or what but but but electorally it's going to take two years to undo this damage. I think a larger issue for progressive people generally is this whole notion of these charter amendments or so are easy to get on the ballot and much easier to get on the ballot than a referendum or an initiative, which essentially, by analogy means it's easier to amend the Constitution than it is to change the law. And I think that's something that we're going to have to take a look at the next legislature because the these charter amendments have a loophole where the signatures do not have to be verified. And as a nice Parker mentioned, at the council table, when we presented evidence of all these forged signatures, it's really by council putting this on the ballot in the face of that they've just declared it open season for petitioners abroad. And I think that two years from now, or maybe two and a half, or what, you know, whatever the law requires, instead of three charter amendments, you're gonna see maybe 10, and they're gonna be anti gay and anti choice and

J Jack Valinski 1:35:46

will be just like California tax. Absolutely, absolutely. And there's certainly some good reasoning to be able that for, for the people to petition the government, more or less, but we elect people to do these things also.



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Well, sure, I just think that there needs to be a reasonable threshold that you have to cross to keep, you know, fringe wackos from debt, like Dave Wilson and Aubrey Vaughn from getting this kind of garbage on the ballot. And it's



J Jack Valinski 1:36:11

the same thing for running for office. I mean, it's so easy for people to run for office, it's, it's a \$500 fee or so many signatures. That's not very hard to do. And a lot of these people are not serious candidates. Well, that's true. And we certainly know a



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bunch of them, you know, a bunch of those. That's right. Well, but



J Jack Valinski 1:36:28

the next election season, I mean, we have reapportionment coming up in those districts. I mean, it's sort of that scary. I mean, is it not my understanding that Deborah Dannenberg may be in a different district or among others?



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Yeah, my and I have to say, I'm a little bit behind on this just because I was busy, so busy with the campaign, but my understanding is that the sort of the current proposed plan would split up Montrose into maybe three districts, I think, and we would we would it, I don't know that we would lose Deborah, but she would have to run in a tough race in order to retain her. I don't know if they're going to try and mess with CarNet. All of that still up to the courts. They're also looking at the redrawing all these congressional lines, right. And so I know that there's a lot of interest in what's going to happen with those and who's gonna run for Senate, I think there's gonna be a lot of activity in in the coming year, and these federal races, definitely.



J Jack Valinski 1:37:32

Okay. But of course, the important thing is, you know, you gotta be registered to vote. You got to vote. Early voting is an incredible system that they have down here. And you get used to new voting machines, which is fun. And so, you know, the process the process, we don't always win, but the process works.



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Yeah, I think it works. When you speak of early vote, I'm really interested in thinking about how to figure out a better way of taking advantage of early vote. I mean, yeah, I don't think anybody in this city has really figured that out yet. Now, there were surprising figures this time, I have to tell you, I thought that we were our side was going to win on this prop when we lost the early vote by two points, because the early votes, generally more conservative. And, you know, we did worse, our side did worse in the on election day than we did in the early vote, staying with the mayor. And same with a nice Parker. And that's virtually unheard of, I'm not quite sure what that's about until I get

J Jack Valinski 1:38:37

well. And I think, you know, of course, I don't have any things to back this up. But because it's so easy to do it, you don't need an excuse. A lot of people just like the convenience of that, because you never know, on election day, if they're, whether it's going to be better, the traffic's gonna be bad or gonna be held up at work or whatever, you know, early voting eliminates that and it's weekends and you know, it's

J Joan Devlin 1:38:58

never anybody there I mean more lines are not you know, to where you're going to be standing in line one to two hours because everybody's come out absolutely just

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on the last day people also to realize you know, that the last day

J Jack Valinski 1:39:13

okay, Grant Well, thank you, thank you for all your work or thank you for the organization of putting this all together and seeing all those new pieces of people out there working the new faces that that's really great and interested in the process and you know, sometimes it's tough when you've been beaten beaten up on this you know, we went through this tear this incredible election a year ago where we all lost and in fact the studies that have just come out said if they recounted the entire state that Gore would have won So this

J Joan Devlin 1:39:43

to me already and you're doing this to me

J Jack Valinski 1:39:48

Well, that's that's what's what's come out. And you know, we lost this time, but we it was certainly a lot closer. And but, you know, we may have lost this battle, but we still got to keep on fighting. Eating.



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Absolutely. I mean, you know, the work that progressive voters and actually was able to do. This election is something that we can build on. We're not going to be starting from zero. It's definitely something we can build on. I know it's focusing its activities right now on eighth is election eighth Edwards election of Montrose, then we're going to be moving out of our headquarters, the Hollyfield building has been sold. So we'll take a week to move. Not sure where we're going yet. St. So we're nearby. And we actually have a strategic planning retreat for board and staff in late December and probably give everybody a couple of weeks off, and then we'll be back on January 1. Great. Second, I



J Jack Valinski 1:40:47

should say, smartened. You're listening to lesbian and gay voices as we sort of shuffled on out of here. Who do we have next week?



J Joan Devlin 1:40:54

Next week? We will of course, have the alley Theatre on that will be on to tell us what's coming up for their season. And



J Jack Valinski 1:41:02

I think that is it so far, I will be talking about movies, too. Yes. We'll



J Joan Devlin 1:41:06

be talking about Harry Potter for sure. But well, we'll have some good stuff planned. Right? You won't be here. So no,



J Jack Valinski 1:41:12

two weeks from the time we will be doing No, it won't be a party. We will be doing the queer music heritage episode. Yes. Which JD Doyle does very well. But in the first hour, we'll be talking about World AIDS Day. You're listening to lesbian and gay voices.



G Glenn Holt 1:41:26

We also have a late announcement here. Somebody called Timmy from Amnesty International at Rice University called in to say that they are going to be having an action tomorrow from five to 7pm at the Egyptian Consulate. 9090 post oak in support of the I think it's 40 men in Egypt, who were arrested over there in Egypt on charges having to do with homosexuality.

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Joan Devlin 1:41:55

Yes. What happened in that case was they were on an all male cruise. And all of a sudden, yes, they got back into port, I believe. Over 50 of them were basically hauled off and arrested. It's been it's been a terrible thing. And unfortunately, the September 11 tragedy has kind of overshadowed it because their trials had just begun right around the time the World Trade Center incident happened.

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Glenn Holt 1:42:23

I remember we had talked about it in the news here on the program. Anyway, if you would like more information you can call to me at 832-742-5751. And again, that's an action by Amnesty International tomorrow from 5pm to 7pm. At the Egyptian consulate at 9090. Post Oak For more information call 832-742-5751. You have been listening to lesbian and gay voices bird each Monday at 8pm. Here on KPFT, a publicly funded Pacifica network station, lesbian and gay voices is produced live in Houston with recorded segments from this way out which is produced at KPFK in Los Angeles. The executive producer is Jack Valinski on air voices are Joan Devlin Glenn Holt JD Doyle and Jack Valinski. JD Doyle's queer music heritage is pre recorded and heard on the fourth Monday of every month. You can write to us at PO Box 66071 Houston, Texas 77266 or email to LG V. news@aol.com. This is the sound of Texas 90.1 FM KPFT in Houston for lesbian and gay voices I'm calling for.

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