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SPEAKERS

Chris Harrison

 Chris Harrison 00:00

We, it comes down to the basic part is the safety of people. We don't have to sit here we don't have to talk about violence. We don't have to sit around talk about safe sex to be doing safe. The fact that someone out there is listening to this show was thinking there that will last person. I mean, there's one comedy song called the only gay Eskimo. It's a joke. It's a comedy thing. But you know, there's people out there who feel that way? Absolutely. How in the world is anyone else like me,

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you're not alone. I mean, that's what this program is about. I'm

 Chris Harrison 00:30

an overweight person, in the gay culture. Okay, I go to the clubs, and I get so many dirty looks like houses fat fact that he's going to do pick up anything. And the fact is that once you go and you develop friendships, and you find people who are similar, it took me, I was going out to clubs for seven years. And I finally decided let myself go into the groups that there were there was a community in the community, for people who like larger people, and you can find those sorts of things. It's those sorts of research resources that you don't get to hear about, that you need to find out about and you know, someone like me, it's like, I was doing, I was being unsafe, because I was getting whenever I could, until I found what was out there the resources that were in the area. And that's the part of what this station does. And he's a cutie lead times these people. Right when we keep hearing about kids, the kids who kill themselves who take weapons to school, because they're tired about being fag bashed. And if we help people that way, that they feel comfortable with who they are. That's a success. And, you know, it comes naturally when we talk to people and let them know, you know, we're diverse program. And we have to reach out to a lot of people. And those are the underrepresented people on there even I



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totally agree. I really agree. And it's right. I mean, just to let you know that you're not alone.



c Chris Harrison 02:03

We should play Michael Jackson, does he qualify it as a queer artists? No, no,



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never can't tell.



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We're not sure about that one yet.



c Chris Harrison 02:12

We'll have to wait till the verdict comes down. The verdicts not in on whether or not Michael Jackson,



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you're not alone.



c Chris Harrison 02:20

I like whether we're making fun of MSNBC on Keith Olbermann show. They kept talking about Janet Jackson's boob incident, which I'm so upset because I didn't actually see it live. I saw it. I was I was too busy fighting with my sister in law because I made the comment that Justin Timberlake was gay. No, he's not. Would you quit doing that? My boss keeps saying that too.



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Did they say that you think that everybody's gay? My daughter keeps saying that. You know, Oh, my You think everybody is gay? Well,



c Chris Harrison 02:50

there's two ways you can look at it. Between the Backstreet Boys and Inseong 10 members. So one out of the 10 group has to me, we're pretty sure about Lance. If Lance was any gay, or he'd be, he'd be a weatherman. Now, my other way of explaining it is this Madonna, Britney Spears

wants to be like Madonna, right? Yeah. So basically, all she's gonna do is sleep with gay men like Madonna does. Hence, why Justin Timberlake got in there. And her hubby of 84 hours didn't. So that was my logic behind all that. So I missed the boob gate. But then Keith Olbermann was doing the same. They kept showing the picture of and having her her breasts covered. So to make her feel better, they played Michael Jackson's you're not alone where his shirt is open, so they can put in this bar and sensors bar over his chest.



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Oh, my goodness, I missed that one. bashing like crazy.



c Chris Harrison 03:50

Let's go back. We got. We just have



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another letter real quick. One. This is from Smiley. My faithful writer,



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smiling. I



c Chris Harrison 04:00

mean, he's writing us and he can't even hear us for



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more weeks when he says till he gets his radio back, getting off his radio restriction. He sends all his love to everybody. He sees us. He writes Jimmy, Chris and Robert plus the rest of my crew. Oops, I said my sorry. I just feel part of the family. Robert, to your college question or rather add to it. I can receive credit via mail, through Frederick's junior college. So I guess he's trying to better himself and go to college and school. I just want whoever's listening and relaying the message to to smiley that we will forward his letter to Rae hill. It has been read, we will forward it and his request about what's going on there. So you know, he wrote us a pretty extensive letter on what's going on there. So we'll go ahead and do that. But he says hi to everybody. It was a short letter to us, but I'll long letter to Ray hill.



c Chris Harrison 05:02

There were a couple other we got some. Yes, we do



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quite a few other ones.



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White owl. Yes. We have a



Chris Harrison 05:09

couple. I love some of the artwork and Oh, yes. Who's the one with the Valentine's present?



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That was it right there.



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The Valentine's president was from our new our new listener. Photocopy that was that was oh, no, that was actually yes, yes. Yes. That was the one with the shrooms. Yeah, yeah. What the what was around it?



Chris Harrison 05:33

Yeah, Fisher kind of really fitted it was good thing. We got that picture just in time for the BS DM. topic we had that picture kind of disappeared. Roy, are you out there looking at the photo? I think I think Roy is



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probably confiscated it.



Chris Harrison 05:51

But we did get to see it there. We



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look at the artwork on this one from White. White owl. White owl is absolutely gorgeous.



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regenerates, he did it himself.



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It's uh huh. It's great. I love it.



Chris Harrison 06:09

I think that's when we have we have to make it. We have to scan that and send it over to Dean Becker because it's got a it's got a kind of a dean Becker theme.



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Oh, Vaughn says he has a request. Request an AC DC is big balls.



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Oh, we've all got big balls. AC



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just as big ball. With the big penis from before, person, okay. Oops, am I allowed to say that word on radio?



Chris Harrison 06:36

Mary Tyler Moore can say penis on air, I think



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I'll send some real interesting articles about the gay marriage in Massachusetts. Oh, and I just wanted to say, I think it's important about the education and about our past and where we came from, that the reason these things are happening today is about all those people that went through what they did go through back when and I think



Chris Harrison 07:02

we're only standing as tall as we are now because we're on the shoulders of others. Absolutely. Very good point. But and also, I'm in that kind of that mid range thing of, you know, we need to

respect our past. But we also have to look forward to the future absent and build for the future.



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Absolutely. We don't dwell in the past. Yes, don't dwell on the past. Let's take the positive from the past and build that future and educate, educate our youth educator, our communities, get involved in your communities. It's important when I moved from New York here, one of the things that I wanted to do was to get involved in my community what could I do and volunteering here for KPFT was it seems to be you know, where I I feel that I could do the most to do something for our community.



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Oh, yes. Everybody in here is asking me who was it that took care of me and helped me out? His name is Mitchell I was gonna say that we got a lot of people asked and I was like, okay, his name is Mitchell that way I don't get like 20 more letters and people going oh, is it Bob or Ryan or bill or Big Mama do do Granger's you know I'll just I'm just gonna say it's Mitchell Hughes unit like thank you very much for all his help while I was in there, keeping me sane in okay.



Chris Harrison 08:29

You're saying without physical



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release I go crazy



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interesting article somebody sent in. It was



Chris Harrison 08:43

that's the white owl one. I can only remember this the white owl because you pulled it out with that long white owl is Native American cities a red man trapped in a white man's body. And so he uses his Indian or spiritual name



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I actually know somebody who's feels that way also,



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 Chris Harrison 09:02

so he use this uses we use his his native mindmap their white owl right. So he has he included an article in there about the spirituality of the owl. Yes, it's beautiful.

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I actually love owls. That's one of my

 Chris Harrison 09:16

you just love Hooters. Okay, talking about wings.

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I actually am a lips woman's.

 Chris Harrison 09:29

Oh. Next topic. We're going with the next question.

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burrito Blaney strip on

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both lips. So anyway, this article is from USA Today. And it's a it's a good point about how the gays face the same battle as interracial couples fought at one time that was seen As

 Chris Harrison 10:02

you still have

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when it used to be worse back when

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Chris Harrison 10:07

there's still that one college trying to remember it, it's, it's the person's name college, it's over in one of the Carolinas. Very conservative, it's a Catholic one. And basically they still have on their part of their student conduct is interracial dating is a is foreboding. Oh, my goodness. And they've gotten into a lot of heated arguments on their,

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what they're afraid of what's going to happen if, you know, I don't understand, I still haven't figured that out. Whatever rattle about what are they? I mean, they're going to lose something they're going to I mean,

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what's so bad about is coming one complete race on this planet.

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Chris Harrison 10:51

Yeah, it's, it's, it's different kinds of One World Order. See, rather than having one one pure world, you're talking about with one world, it's so intermingled, and they're mixed, you don't have a way of being able to define someone to hate them.

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Does anybody read if anybody out there has read the book by Dr. Seuss? You know, Dr. Seuss, was very ahead of his he's a children, we see him as a children's author, but most of his books are political. And he has a book about the who's with the starred bellies. And how this man comes in and tries to change them is to separate and how we, and that was back in the Hitler era when he was trying, you know, with all this thing with, with the Hitler and the Jews, and

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Chris Harrison 11:36

that's the thing is,

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when that book came out, I

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Chris Harrison 11:39

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think that's part of where a lot of this comes from on the iteration. But you know what I mean, when you were part of this topic before, and all that you talked about interracial, and that, you know, that was 20 years ago, 2030 years ago, that was a hot button topic. Oh, well, let's look at the Supreme Court. Let's look at Clarence Thomas, who after he got done watching along Dong Silver, went out there and a white woman, yep. Philistine, Phil Gramm, here of the former senator of Texas, has an Asian wife. Trying to remember who I mean, there's several



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other I can see up to a certain point, because I've talked to certain people who do not believe in mingling with the race with the races, I can see the point where they say, We don't want to lose our culture, we don't want identity identity, and I can totally understand that. But you know, that's your belief. And I respect it. And that's fine. But think about how if you can learn about each other's and bring it together, you're not losing, you're actually gaining,



Chris Harrison 12:47

I run in that situation a lot with some of the chat rooms that I go into. And I've run into a lot of African American men, and I'll be honest, for years upon years, I never found African American men attractive, okay. But at least when they, when they talk to me, I'll start talking to and I'll say, you know, I'm real, I'm honest with them. At the beginning, I just never found them attractive. And I get a lot of them that, you know, I'm sitting, I'm sitting you're afraid to type this in because, you know, there's people are gonna think, Oh, well, this, here's this fat white guy who slaps on the hood and Martha Stewart bedsheets, they're



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like, but



Chris Harrison 13:30

but they, they turn around, they say, you know, at least you're honest about it, and you're gonna, you're gonna tell me up front that, you know, may not be I'm not going to be interested, but you're not



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bashing them. I'm not mad. I'm not saying that, that you're better or worse than they are, you know, you're being honest. And that's okay. You know, there's nothing, there's nothing wrong with that. And, you know, but the fact



Chris Harrison 13:49

is this, I may not find them attractive. Some I do some I don't, I wouldn't kick the rock out of my house. But, you know, it comes down to a simple fact of, as long as you're honest and upfront

house. But, you know, it comes down to a simple fact of, as long as you're honest and up front, and, you know, this is my personal belief. But, you know, I had a friend of mine, former coworker of mine that was always dating black men. And I didn't challenge him on that or said there in quote, anything on those things there. To each his own. And, you know, I mean, you want to put this thing of, let's keep it out. That's, you know, what, okay, what you do is just keep it in the bedroom, put bring it out in front of us. Well, note, don't tell us we can't do something. Because if you want to keep it behind the bedroom, for us to try and take pride or ownership out of it, then don't censor us because we're keeping it in the bedroom. But I mean, we're in a racial. We've got the same sex marriage issue that continues to boil over last week. The Romeo and Juliet case in Kansas, he lost his appeal, where it was an 18 year old Yeah, fooling around with a 14 year old. And if it would have been male, female, he would have gotten like six months in jail. Rather, he's getting six years. And they call it a Romeo and Juliet law for male and female. And he's having to go through this fight to try and be freed on this part. So as a lot of this, we see this discrimination we see this. And

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you know, what's sad, Chris, is that it's, it's, it's still there with the kids and in the schools and with everything, you know, think about it, if there's a problem between races, you know, the kids, you know, black versus white versus Hispanic. Think about those kids who are still dead or are noticing, you know, I'm attracted to another male or I'm attracted to another female. Forget that they're not going to even come anywhere near coming out.

Chris Harrison 15:51

In most of your high schools nowadays, okay. You know, if you stand at one end of the hall and you yell down the other end of the hall, you yell the N word, you, you see if you yell GOOG, you can get hay wet. Any of those things. You're going to be dragged so fast in the principal's office,

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and they use the word fight. They use the word gay, they call them dikes, they call them facts. And that's used as a negative. My daughter says that all the time to me, you know, they use that word as a derogative to call somebody a name, and nothing happens. Don't get sent to the principal. There's no disciplinary done.

Chris Harrison 16:26

It's so ingrained. I mean, I actually had to make a conscious decision. Several years ago, I'm sitting in driving in traffic, and you know, I get driving around and you get upset with somebody. And you start yelling something. And one of the big things that everyone usually comes out is rooster liqueur. You can't say the other word. What another rooster.

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Oh, okay. Yeah. Okay. Yeah, I'm wondering what you're talking about. But I got over my head

 Chris Harrison 16:58

first with conch and ends with the male organ.

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You can't really did get it guys. Okay.

 Chris Harrison 17:08

Well, we know it's a different kind of error. So, you know, I, one of the days I'm driving along, and someone cut me off or did something wrong, and I yelled it out and I go, how was that insulting him? If that's something I aspire.

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He just made gave him a compliment. It's like,

 Chris Harrison 17:28

how am I degrading him by calling him something I do? Be like me going at me Fatso, or, I mean, that sort of thing. It's one of the things you have is get so ingrained, you know. That's one of those things you can call somebody. That's really a bad thing. And when you consider it, I mean, that's what they used throughout the years to degrade straight women. Look what nasty thing you do. And that's that's way of putting of putting someone in their place if you do such a filthy disgusting thing. And it takes a took a while for me to finally click on that going. How is this supposed to be an offensive thing?

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And they do it? I worked for eight years with families who have children with Down syndrome. I have seen mental retardation and one of my pet peeves is when people call each other retard when they say oh, you're retarded. I said no, you don't know what it's like to be have mental retardation or to be retarded. And that's another one of my pet peeves. So you don't they use that as a derogative or somebody a name or

 Chris Harrison 18:33

the big little thing now is that you ride the special the rides little yellow special bus Yeah. And you know, my brother rode the little yellow bus for several months because his leg his leg operated on and had it was in an immobilized cast and so been



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in a high it was like to be in a in a school bus with high school. They're not nice. So right that was to keep them safe.



c Chris Harrison 18:56

And you know, with that, with the fact of when he was on there, he really got an appreciation of special needs kids and I think that's what helps spark his interest. We



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say kids with special needs because their kids first their special needs are second for you



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were talking about calling names in prison their their biggest name is like, punk, you know, rear end, you know, home. And that's the I don't even know if I can say there's no one but that's the main but you know, worst names, you can call somebody, you know, that's fighting words right there.



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You say don't be afraid. If you, you know, these things are happening. You talk to somebody who you can trust. You know, this is what's going on in school and things like that, you know, talk to somebody but that's one of the things she tells me all the time about these words being used as a derogative you know, so Oh my goodness. We touched on a lot of topics today. I mean, that's, that's what this is about.



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I just find it weird in prison that they call each other punk something and it's real bad. And that's what they're looking for as a punk. You know? It's just I don't know.



c Chris Harrison 20:10

Yeah, I mean, well, you get that sort of thing of, you know, some people, the only way they can feel they can make themselves better, is you can raise yourself up and you knock down,



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knock somebody. Absolutely. That's exactly. That's exactly what it is. And that's what we try to teach, at least with my daughters. The reason that they're doing this is because they feel so bad about themselves, that they feel that they have to put somebody else down to make themselves feel better. And

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Chris Harrison 20:36

it's not just that people are a lot of it when we come down, we start talking about the with gay bullies, we say, you know, they're just repressing their homosexual is not just not they're repressing other things and they go, you know, this isn't easy target. queers don't fight back, you know, and that's not true all the time. True. It's not true that but that's a stereotype. slap somebody quicker. But that's, I mean, that's, that's the stereotype that everyone comes up.

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How do you try to raise a child agenda, a child to be gentle? In a word world? That's not at all? How do you teach? How do you raise a child to be tolerant and accepting when nobody else is around them? You know, and that's one of the big issues. You know, and in our little one, I mean, she has to she's got one mom, who's by and she's got another mom, that's a lesbian. And, you know, she's, what did she say, Honey? She's like, you know, she doesn't even have a, what they call normal, lesbian parents, or little normal, gay thing. She's gotta have a bi analyst. That said, she throws her hands up in the air.

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Chris Harrison 21:52

Well, we can't write books for everybody.

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I mean, yeah, they're gonna write one.

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Chris Harrison 21:58

Heather Has Two Mommies, and one of them has a boyfriend.

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Or speaking

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Chris Harrison 22:05

situation like that Jimmy walks into the room. They don't use a score. They didn't use a scoreboard like at the Super Bowl to figure out your relationships.



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We won't even try. I love



Chris Harrison 22:18

doing that. When I talked to my straight friends. I talked about Jimmy, and I go to Jimmy, he's got a husband, who has another husband. And Jimmy has a boyfriend who has a girlfriend. Do you know



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that I had a right husband was explaining this to me. I was making a little diagram here, trying to figure out what to do when when I did I said, You know what, I'll take you any day on



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schedule. Works. That works. And you're constantly chasing me.



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No, no, no. I'm gonna get him in trouble.



Chris Harrison 22:58

The way the way it works is the fact everybody knows it. Everybody knows the rules. They know the boundaries. There's not like something's going on behind someone's back. As long as everybody knows the rules in a relationship, our



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daughter has three lovely loving parents instead of two. And that's



Chris Harrison 23:17

one. Yeah. Add America. Well, we put some music in the background here because we are fast approaching the end of yet another segment. Yes. Of after hours. Queer radio with attitude that you hear here every week on Pacifica radio for the Gulf Coast. KPFT 90.1 FM in Houston 89.5 Galveston and we've got three people who call in pledges we want to thank Sally who called in a wonderful pledge. Roy who called it who wrote an a pledge and Robert who probably thought

we had one more no okay no and the good part is we well we got one virgin you know I don't think we can say virgin too often. On here yet another virgin calling and in multiplayer because we've made one we've made one of our gonna get a version to come just show up here. Well, we need new we first time listeners is one of the secondary goals. We've made our monetary but we haven't made our Oh, there's a fisher. We have our first time member so give us a pledge and last minute here at 713-526-5738 the address and the address. It's after hours at KPFA Carol KPFT 419 Love it. And that's Houston, Texas, seven seven double aught six. It's not just a lifestyle. It's not just a zip code. So lifestyle. Oh wait, hold on. We did what? We had another one. One more. Oh, that's another first time we've made. We've made our goal for there. Yes. Fair land nonnamous from parent land. Thank you. Fabulous. Thank you. So and



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I smell something nice. I shall be disappearing now.



Chris Harrison 25:14

All right, we are going to be heading out here. We'll be back next week everybody