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Jimmy Carper 00:07

The following program contains language or images of a frank or sensitive nature which may be considered objectionable by some listener discretion is advised. Oh yes, you've tuned into after hours a continuing tradition on KPFT Houston 90.1 FM. The crew of after hours is ready to bring you news, interviews and music geared for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people. Hear it after hours, we may be diverse, but we have one thing in common. We are all out of the closet and urge everyone to come out of their closets. That means standing up for yourself, taking responsibility for your own life and being proud of who you are. Realistically, we know not everyone can do that because of a job or frame of mind. That's okay. We're here for you too. So sit back, relax, and enjoy this week's edition of after hours.



Howard McHale 02:05

After looking at you, it is so good to be here with you tonight. Where Scott got old when she



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flew she flew to KU welcome you want we don't even care.



Howard McHale 02:18

Good morning. Good morning morning to Scott Lewis and Big Daddy Howard McHale.



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Actually, you're listening to Jimmy Carper and Big Daddy Howard may Scott

 Howard McHale 02:27
Lewis flew the coop tonight gang. What can I say? I'm a little bummed out.

 Jimmy Carper 02:31
He took a trip up to visit mom. I don't know what happened. Again that he should be in Austin if he's going out of town. exactly what's going on in Austin this weekend? March on Austin. Yeah,

 Howard McHale 02:41
but you know what? Some people say that Houston facts are just too complacent. Oh, that's absolutely true. That's true. That's true. Ask anybody

 Jimmy Carper 02:49
who has ever been in direct action group.

 Howard McHale 02:53
Here's what the heck they're going to Austin for. Oh, wow. Could be the night tomorrow. Actually tonight at the chain drive would all be kind of be festive. How come? We're not there? How

 Jimmy Carper 03:03
come? We're not there? We're here in Houston, the bag radio

 Howard McHale 03:09
every weekend. And I'm talking to the biggest bag in Houston. Anyway, welcome welcome. Welcome to another edition of

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after hours career radio with attitude and

 Howard McHale 03:21
Scott Lewis is gone but Big Daddy is here tonight. So actually tonight, you get to hear a lot of me tonight and I'm really bummed out because I like I'd like to stay in the shadows.



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I'm gonna make Howard be the star of the show. Tonight. No



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big that is not star of the show. Good morning, Houston. Well, your



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hair could be the star of the show. Look at it. Listen, listen, I



Howard McHale 03:40

just because I can pick on your thighs



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there's so much less of them these days. Everyone



Howard McHale 03:47

has their height everyone tonight out there in TV land that. I don't want to happen every one night.



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I don't know. I tell you. We don't even have anybody to answer the phone. I don't know. There must be.



Howard McHale 03:57

Melissa has gone. Kate moved to San Francisco. You know that? Who remember Kate, the little girl that used to phone Stryker? Yeah, she moved on to San Francisco.



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Woman moves to San Francisco.



Howard McHale 04:10

Go figure. I know. She's working at the toll booth in lane three.



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Actually, in your booth,



Howard McHale 04:17

actually. So what happened is tonight we're kind of like put it we put a show together tonight. And we we shared kind of a respect retrospect to the seven days because he wants to



Jimmy Carper 04:26

play tired disco music. Oh, come on.



Howard McHale 04:30

Tired disco music from the seventh. Now I realized that most of our listening audience is probably not a product of the seven days but what happens that because of what's going on and Gay Pride week coming up. June 18 to the ninth to through the 25th we have a plug Shameless, Shameless plug. We have a huge you know the parade this year goes from two to seven down Westheimer it starts it starts at two o'clock this year. Okay, okay, roll yourself out of bed. Take the car. dollars. Oh, why



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no,



Howard McHale 05:01

never that 11 to the seventh the praise marching down Westheimer this year I hope a little bit slower now wait



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a minute now what you're doing something with Pride Week. I'm



Howard McHale 05:11

co chair with the parade and rally this year.

to start with the parade and rally this year.



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Oh, okay, of course and the rallies like like right across the street



Howard McHale 05:17

right across the street this year. This year's rally gang, believe it or not is in Montrose this year. It's hard to believe he believed it took him how many 1000s of years to realize that these these bags don't want to go down the Buffalo Bayou bar. Oh, I know. And watch fireworks. I remember the four people who were there last year.



Jimmy Carper 05:34

Yeah. What fireworks? It was it was it's always too wet. It's it's the soup. And the soup still linen.



Howard McHale 05:44

Chicken soup. But anyway, anyway, this year's rally this year is okay. The parade runs from two to seven. Not two to four. Two to four. I'm hoping to slow it down this year. Because what happens that you know if you've ever watched the parades have passed?



Jimmy Carper 05:58

Not me. Oh, not me honey, I strike. Oh, I'm in the middle of that. I'm running off to the side to say hi to everybody. I'm



Howard McHale 06:08

gonna You're always gonna have to get a phone number. Anyway, what they're doing so this year, they got the the price from tutus two to four. Have the rally is called pride fest 1995. Okay, and it's over there on Lovett street between Stanford and Taft. A free concert with femme de femme and DJ. Yeah, lots of beer drinking carrying on. It's gonna be we're hoping for wonderful, wonderful things happen this year. And then what happens if



Jimmy Carper 06:42

your friends have KPFT? You can come in and pay. Hey,



Howard McHale 06:45

we'll let you mentioned my name or jimmy's day. Of course, they'll probably get you in jail

we if let you mentioned my name or jimmy's day. Of course, they if probably get you in jail. Yeah, exactly. Then what's gonna happen? The the pride party. Yeah, actually, we're going back to numbers this year. That's why the time with the 70s. Oh, Johnson's DJ. Wow. He's going to be Tostan tunes from the late 70s. And we're gonna, of course, this year with Pride Week. Everything is underwritten for AIDS charities. Yes. So so that this year you can park in Montrose and party all day. Should I? Well, I hate this filler. I hate this filler. Anyway, we went out tonight for a little while. Jim Harper, Jim Jim Harper. Jim Griffin, are you there? Yeah, we went out for a little bit scoping out the scene before we come in tonight and I'll be doggone I thought everyone was going Austin. Yeah. Yeah.

 Jimmy Carper 07:47

Damn facts are all telling me something night. You were telling me something earlier about about a certain bar?

 Howard McHale 07:53

Which one? Well, we can't talk about that. Why not? Because I'll tell you later. Okay. During the break, I will tell you later. Anyway, we went out to light and caught a little bit of the happening scene out on Saturday night here in Montrose. And it was kind of happening. Is it yes, you can always tell when you get there early because everyone still smells like cologne.

 Jimmy Carper 08:15

I thought everybody would have gone to Austin and this was like a dead town tonight.

 Howard McHale 08:19

I would have thought I wanted to go to Dallas. Why didn't we want to live in Houston? I don't know. Anyway, talking about Dallas sucks. The big one. Dallas is the most mad bar far, far, far, far. That little, little Fair Park incident. They got you in jail. Anyway, Scott Lewis is not here tonight gang. And we want to welcome who we're welcoming Alan Bourgeois. Hello, and Alan. Alan is in the house tonight. Yeah, Jim Griffith is Yeah, but we're also welcoming, welcoming. Some listeners out far, far away. Oh,

 Jimmy Carper 08:53

yes. KEOS College Station. Bryan. It's a new case. Well, they're their own station. We'd like to call them an affiliate but KEOS. Keep eating our stuff. in College Station, Bryan.

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So what goes on? They're listening to us right now.

J Jimmy Carper 09:11
It's a very small station.

U 09:12
Are they listening to us right now?

U 09:15
After our okay, we're radio with attitude.

U 09:17
I mean, they're queers in College Station. Oh, please.

U 09:20
Poma went to a and she went

U 09:26
Sarah Johnson but yeah, but George Bush

J Jimmy Carper 09:29
Yeah, but Sarah dipalma was a boy

H Howard McHale 09:32
and I used to be a boy to get my hair fell out. No. No. But I want to tell everyone tonight that we are not going to talk about masturbation on the show tonight. Or penis size? Well, maybe maybe we will we will not so so all you

U 09:51
acknowledge so tired. Nobody cares. Oh, we everyone cares

H Howard McHale 09:55

about penis size. And we actually had last month issue of Glamour magazine where They did a survey with 1000 Straight boys Why 1000 Straight boys What do I care about straight because it's really interesting to realize to to sit back and read about straight people and because you know they're kind of weird yeah bone all the cars



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yeah but you know we have



Howard McHale 10:17

most of them are Republicans and actually tonight in the Colin is your what you want to say bad things about Republicans what you hate most about Republicans coming up later on the show



Jimmy Carper 10:27

lovers or Republic?



Howard McHale 10:28

Yeah, yeah, yeah so as George Bush used to talk about our guest tonight we actually have some serious things going on tonight. Yes, we do. So I'll during college station, I don't know what you do. And but what what do they do in College Station?



Jimmy Carper 10:44

I've never been there. I've never been there. Maybe somebody will call in and tell us. Oh,



Howard McHale 10:49

I wish someone would call in and tell us because I any Hispanic men in College Station. Hmm.



Jimmy Carper 10:54

Is there. Is there a bar or anything? Sir? Oh club and like and



Howard McHale 11:00

I don't know. I mean, I don't know. I know. It's in Texas somewhere. And I know it's an hour and a half away. But you know, is it so is



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that gambling button? Like? I couldn't even tell you which direction?



Howard McHale 11:10

It's north. It's like your heels.



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Straight up in the air. Well, hey,



Howard McHale 11:17

listen, we've got we tonight. Actually, Scott isn't here. So we're not going to talk about husbands or sexually frustrated people.



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We don't have to. He's not here. And obviously



Howard McHale 11:27

we're gonna be boring tonight. But we have some serious some serious aspects of tonight's show. Yes, we do. We do. We have a gentleman who has put together spectrum 95 And for all of you who don't know about spectrum



Jimmy Carper 11:40

may not know if they listen to this show. They hear about it every week. People



Howard McHale 11:45

still don't know about the margin was an Austin last week. Well, I don't they don't pick up I don't know what's wrong with people. What do they do? They'll walk them gay bars, but they won't pick up a newspaper. Don't you just want to slap them once or twice. But but we're going to talk about a little bit about seriousness tonight. We have Ellen bourgeois with a spectrum 95 And we're gonna chat about that. Exactly what's going on? Because like a lot of people don't know what's going on. A lot of people don't know that they astral arena. Am I correct? yet? We're out there. Is this microphone? No. Oh, don't be on Don't talk.



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I don't even know what and



Howard McHale 12:22

another serious aspect. We have Mr. James Griffith with us tonight. James. Yeah, James. Oh, James here. Shake your head Mona. Hey, baby. And he's with us. And he runs an AIDS hospice. here in Houston. Which one? Stevens house? Oh, yes. Yes, yes. Yes. And I think



Jimmy Carper 12:39

Jill used to talk about Stephens house all the time. Exactly. Jill Gray was here. And



Howard McHale 12:43

we're gonna play some disco tunes from the 70s Oh my gosh, you're gonna hear scratches I cannot believe it adds the flavor of discos of the seven I almost



Jimmy Carper 12:55

changed my name for tonight. I didn't want people to know I was playing this.



Howard McHale 12:58

And this all of course goes out to John Sims. Who was the digit numbers at the pride party 1995 After pride fest.



Jimmy Carper 13:06

So this is this go Tex. And the SEC. So let's



Howard McHale 13:11

let's cut to them. What do you think? Hey, remember, you're listening to Scott Lewis and Big Daddy Howard McHale.



Jimmy Carper 13:18

Now you're not listening to Scott Lewis. You're listening to Jimmy Carper.

 Howard McHale 13:22

A big here at Kpf. Daddy Howard McHale with 90.1 and less than we're taking your calls tonight. very erect hair. Yeah, I tell you it's an erection. Yes. And of course our phone number always is five to six KPFT we also given away dinner for two tonight at mandalas family table. We have a trivia question. Oh, you have a trivia. Oh, of course. We know. It's a 30 year anniversary of the Astrodome. So to the first caller at five to 6k P F T Yes. We will give you if you can answer this question.

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Okay. You're gonna do it now.

 Howard McHale 13:55

Well, what's the question? I don't know. What don't you know, I know the answer. I didn't I don't know the show to tell the answer. Right here right here on KPFT. Okay, the trivia question for tonight. Yes, of course. We're celebrating the 30 years of the Astrodome. The 30 years. builds and seventh wonder Yeah, so as your butthole but hey, what was it the Eighth Wonder?

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But anyway, yes, it well, here and 6630

 Howard McHale 14:23

years ago? Yes. Okay. Here's the trivia question for tonight. Oh, drumroll that 30 years ago, there was a concert in the Astrodome. The first person to have a concert named that person and the opening act and you have a dinner for two at Tony mandalas Family Table on an ITIN and Antoine and if you're gay, you should know it and you should know it. Absolutely. Amaze y'all buzz and disco tax and we'll be back in a couple minutes gang. Hold higher. Oh, hold on your hats kids. Because Wolfman Jack is here. I've always wanted to say them the radio Didn't you? Make me hungry? Highlights remember fame? Okay. Let me tell you again we were speaking to Mr. Alan Bourgeois. Hey, are you a French boy? Cajun, Cajun. What's the difference between French point occasion

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boy, we're just better. Oh, wow. Better What am I gonna say?

 Howard McHale 15:21

Okay gang out there in radioland. You may not know Alan but a as a prominent member of our community here in Houston. We have a trivia question for you tonight. It's a 30 year anniversary of the Astrodome. So to the first caller at five to 6k P F T Yes. We will give you if you can answer this question.

community here in Montrose. We have a activity full fledged riot coming up at the Astrodome. June 18. Am I correct?

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I wouldn't call it a riot though. Well, I'm ready to I'm ready be funner than right. It's called What was the name of it download spectrum. 95

 Howard McHale 15:48

spectrum 95. Now for all of you who are sitting out there underneath your bedroom lights listening to the radio, spectrum 95 originated in an idea of several human beings. Am I incorrect? Kinda. Okay. And, and tell us a little bit about spectrum and what's going to happen here at that. Now. The amazing thing is that, of course, is all gay and lesbian.

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Correct. Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender.

 Howard McHale 16:17

Is there anything else to add in the gay friendly gay friendly? Okay. What? Jimmy, put on your microphone if you're gonna yell. Okay. Basically, we have this, this huge conglomeration of these wild things happening at the Astro Arena on June 18. Tell us a little about it.

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Well, it's five events in one. We have a business expo with about 100 booths scheduled right now with all different types of businesses. We have an art Expo speakers program, the topics ranging in almost everything from adoptions to finance to breast cancer, we'll actually be showing women how to find breast cancer. We'll have a town meeting, and then top it off in the evening. We're having a four hour concert with 27 performers.

 Howard McHale 17:01

Okay. I'm confused. Okay. I'm confused, Alan, because what I'm hearing is that we have this big day planned at the Astor arena, correct? Correct. Okay. And we're gonna take a little slow. We're going to start off the morning, we're going to kick off this this spectrum 95 And how we kick it off?

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Well, we start off with loving o'clock in the morning. Okay. And the business expo in the art

expand our

 Howard McHale 17:23

business expo. Are you talking about gay and lesbian businesses? Are we talking about businesses all across the country?

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businesses all across the country that cater to gays and lesbians are gay friendly. Right? Okay. As well as gay owned and gay operated businesses, community groups that are participating with we have 20 of them involved. That's pretty much so beginning

 Howard McHale 17:45

we're kind of talking about this this big Expo an art fair, correct.

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That's yeah, that's part of it. It's hard to classify just into small sessions.

 Howard McHale 17:57

Because I'm really confused about this whole spectrum. Okay, spectrum to me spectrum. Kind of means this. This this whole big vision. Do you have that same whole vision? Oh, yeah. Okay, so what we're gonna do is we're gonna conglomerating throw all together. Gay business, gay friendly business, gay entertainment. And what else?

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Okay, lectures Gala. Political town meeting for the gay community.

 Howard McHale 18:27

Not not not refresh my memory. This is going to be town meeting to

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correct town meeting one was in 1978. Okay, almost 17 years since we've had another one on how old were you in 1970? I was getting ready to turn 18 actually coming out the closet. They all say yeah,

 Howard McHale 18:47

yeah, head here back then to Okay, okay. So we're gonna do at 22 Okay, how important is this to the gay community Houston very, very

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important. It's not just for Houston. No, it's for taxes. Okay, okay. Because the impact that this will have will reach beyond the Houston city limits. Tell me one did the same thing. So tell me to skirt and do the same.

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What came out of tell me in one? Oh, we

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had lots of organizations designed from that the Houston County Montrose Counseling Center. Okay, Mrs. clinic, okay. Two major things from there, we had a form of what's now called key patrol. The Macho softball league, the switchboard

 Howard McHale 19:29

local group. So So what do you plan to gain by spectrum 95

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The overall aspect of this what we want to achieve, okay, is community unity. For one also then for us to show our political strength and our economical strike. Do we have

 Howard McHale 19:49

political strength? Yes, in Houston. We do. I know, you know, and I don't want to get into a big, big topic with you on on community strength and voting. and blog, we

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don't have enough time, but you don't have enough time. Okay.

 Howard McHale 20:04

So actually, we're gonna throw we're gonna have this big party and it's gonna be at the Astor arena. Okay, tell me a little bit about getting them to be favorable to your ideas. How do we how to use the Astra Rena HUD. I mean, I mean this is I mean this is where the rodeo is. Okay? And all of a sudden, these these these these 4000 flags want to come in with this big this big spectrum 95 Astra winner

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has no policy against any sexual orientation. Really? Yeah. Because it's.

 Howard McHale 20:41

So if you've produced the bucks, you can have a party there. Yeah, that's the that's the bottom line. Let's talk about bucks. How hard is it to raise money for this,

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it has been a challenge. We are just about breaking even. At this point in time, our goal is to bring in about \$150,000, the day of the event, okay. And tickets are on sale now, where they can sell it, they can call our office 800-203-4597. We have been starting at \$15, which includes everything they buy concert ticket, they get into everything free, you don't want to go to concert, it's five bucks at the door, and they can see everything else.

 Howard McHale 21:23

If I remember correctly. Last time I was at the astral arena, these huge rooms in this big hall. Correct? So are we going to spectrum 95 going to be in all the rooms are just how we

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have two thirds of the building set aside for Spectrum day. Providing we sell enough booths for the art and the business will fill that up very easily. Right now we're just at about the halfway mark on our goals.

 Howard McHale 21:48

How was the perception from from straight and gay community going? I mean, is it been hard dealing with these people?

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Hey, he's since gay community has got to get up off their ass. A lot of them are waiting until the last minute. And that's made it tough for us. It really has. They hear of things that might

happen. And they wait until the last minute to see if it actually does happen. And unfortunately, it hurts. They need to get behind this now there's no more waiting around. It's going to happen. There's no doubt to it too much time and energy and money has been spent on this. So they now need to be there.

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Howard McHale 22:26

You know, the interest, the interesting aspect of the whole spectrum 95. And I've been watching your progression throughout the several months leading up to this now. And I see some corporate sponsorship.



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We have the largest amount of sponsors on any event in the US history.

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Howard McHale 22:42

Let's talk about some of those corporate sponsorship. But who are they?



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American Airlines is it's been a very, very helpful group 10% Magazine, the advocate magazine, outsmart which is a local magazine. Here's true PCO, which is also partners with paws magazine. Network magazine, we have five National Gay and Lesbian magazines volved with us. And that's been a first as well, as far as an event goes. We have a lot of different local groups. There's proximately 22. Companies

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Howard McHale 23:19

being Houston. Houston based. Okay, good, because this is taking part in Houston. What response have you've gotten from Houston organizations, Houston businesses. I mean, that's my pleasure.



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I mean, our whole intent was to bring the community together. And we've started doing that with 20 Different organizations participate with us working with us, giving us volunteers to help us on this day to help cut cost. So that's the first it hasn't happened like this in a long time. So we are starting to get the community unity formed. Okay, now

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Howard McHale 23:55

that like I spoke earlier about complacency in Houston. gay and lesbian community and colleae

station. I don't want to leave you out there because I'm sure you're gonna come in for this event, because Gay Pride week starts on the 18th and complacency. What have you run into problems with that? I mean, there's the negative image that the gays and lesbians in Houston, I mean, when you think when you think of gays and lesbians, you think of you think of Atlanta, you think of New York City, you think of San Francisco. Houston has taken a bad rap on exactly. I mean, these people go to the bars and drink, drink, drink, drink, drink, but when it comes to computing, community involvement, and aspects on this kind of phase, they just really know don't know

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he's very conservative. Okay, they're not out like New York, San Francisco and other places. So it takes a little bit more for them to get involved.

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But but get them to a white party. And

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yeah, it's a party. And that's why we're having a concert. We're having performed has come in, I've never performed here in Houston. First times, matter of fact, some of them will have never performed in Texas before. So this will be a first for them. But that's the party atmosphere that we've created for those people who need to party. I'm gonna

 **Howard McHale** 25:14

I'm gonna break routine a little bit. And we have, we do have a phone call here. And the one nice thing about after ours that we get to inter interact with with our audience, and I would like I would like to this person is going to ask a little question here, and we're gonna take our Colin, and for all of you who are snooze, not that this is exciting. This is big thing to happen to Houston. And what happens is that we're all sitting back. And for most of us who are listening tonight who might be in the closet, who might be subjecting ourselves to just complete boredom. This is a big thing to happen to Houston, and we should be proud of and we should come out and do. Let's, let's go to line one. Okay. Hello, are you there?

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Yes. Caller Yeah. Can you hear me?

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Yeah, you're on the air. What's your name?

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My name is Tom.

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Tom, how are you? Oh, pretty

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good. Yeah, this, this thing you call Unity. I'm a little bit confused about what you mean by unity. Because in the Houston community, we love to use the word diversity, and we'd love to use the word, unity. But when it comes down to it, we don't really we don't really believe that. We want to be clones, I think. So I'm not sure what you mean by by unity and spectrum. 25, would you mind telling me please? Sure.

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For spectrum 95, our definition of unity. There are a lot of different groups out there that have their own individual goals, which is great. But as far as a community, we need to join together, all these different groups need to be together to fight for our civil rights, being able to have people employed in the city without having to worry about being gay, you know, in the police department, everything like this. As a community. Working together, we can achieve that. And yet,

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you sound skeptical?

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Well, because I used to, I tried to be involved politically. I'm not much on bar hopping. And, and I supported quite a quite a few organizations last year. I've cut back a hell of a lot on that. But anyway, why why why did you leave, for instance, I'm a member of the GLP. See, and I had, I had some pride in that. But then, because I had questions about a candidate, and which I eventually voted for I was I was ostracized and much of rumors and outright lies were pressed around. And I joined the Log Cabin Republicans also now. Now this evening, I heard the word Republican and hate used us together like they are like hotdogs and mustard. Hey, I'm gonna tell you, there are many gay Republicans. In fact, all of them that I have met,

 Howard McHale 28:15
and there are many gay bigots also. Yeah.



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But there are many gay Republicans that that work hard. And toward recognizing equal rights for gay No,



Howard McHale 28:29

the Republican platform not to get off on a politician kind of thing. Do you know, are you familiar with the Republican platform? And it's answer its questions to gay rights. Are you familiar? Well, first



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of all, there is no such reality as gay rights. When you start hauling gay rights, then people become afraid that we're asking for special rights. It's all we're asking for equal rights. And so there is no such reality. Gay rights.



Howard McHale 28:56

Let's get back to spectrum. 95. Okay, Tom,



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would you ask me if I understood the platform? Yes. And the gay Republicans that that that that I have met do not back the bigoted part of what they what they say about gay people, nor nor do a lot of Republicans that hold office. Hold that



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either time. Are you going to attend spectrum? 95?



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No, I'm leaving town. Why would I buy what I've gone through in the past few months? I've decided that I have little to no pride in Houston, in Houston, gay community.



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That's the hope though. No, no,



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it's not a matter of apathy. Foreigner because I have worked hard toward trying to race apathy from our community. It was just the hatred and and so forth. That was that's been directed at me over the past few months that I've done. Prior to that I really have had nothing to, to offer this community. If I was not already out elec out, at this time, manufactured is impossible to go back in the clock. But if I wouldn't out at this time, I would not come out the closet in eastern Texas. I would encourage people not to come out of the closet, because because of what I see is happening. Whereas we have to be clones. And we have to think just like we cannot offer a diversity of ideas in which the Log Cabin Republicans of Houston, welcome this condensate. I'm not a Democrat, I'm not a Republican. I am an independent, and I am gay. And Tom, and I'm not ashamed to be gay. Great. I'm just a I'm just a son. We engage



Howard McHale 30:50

We do appreciate your opinion. And and and your diverse opinion. And



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we Oh, no, no, no, no, no. You.



Howard McHale 31:00

Tonight we're gonna we're going to talk about spectrum 95. And how we can enhance that image. Okay, we appreciate your calling.



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tried that. And it will not work because because of the Liberals within the within the GOP See,



Howard McHale 31:15

great. Listen, thank you. Thank you for your opinion, Tom. Thank you. And you know, he raises a viable question there. Because there is a severe amount of apathy. How can spectrum 95 I make because the gays and lesbians for so many years in this town had been whitewashed into believing that nothing is going to happen. And they become complacent. And that's my that's my major concern with Houston, that we feel like we don't have a voice in city politics.



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I only and how what you're saying because coming from Los Angeles, a very gay city, okay. I mean, I was there when West Hollywood became its first gay city and stuff. St. Houston being very different in that respect, is why I created this, it is important for our community to actually

see what we are able to do. Houston has so many number one. First items ever done, that a lot of people aren't even aware of it. And that's the certain pride that we need to show. That's what we need to be able to say spectrums about,

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Howard McHale 32:20

but how do we Allen, how do we get those people who only come out on a Saturday night? How can we how do we get them to spectrum 95? How do we get weaker and

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about those that only come out on Saturday night? I'm more concerned about those outside the loop that don't even come out? Those are the ones I want at this event? How do we have 350,000 estimated gays and lesbians, bisexuals and transgenders in this community, to get 8000 to show up for this event, it's not going to be easy. That's why we're going to allow straight press for these people to see it and come out. It is important for them to one recognize that yes, they're gay or lesbian. They can be in the closet as much as they want to, that's fine. But they should come and support the rest of the community. Because ultimately it will affect them.

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Howard McHale 33:07

How do we how do we, as educators in the game lesbian community here in Houston, how do we get the message into people's heads? How do we get those people to come out how to you know, they'll show up at the pride the shop, the bars and the go home? And where's this this negative attitude Houston come from? This complacent attitude? Where's it come from?

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Again, Houston is very conservative. A lot of people have seen I don't like

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Howard McHale 33:33

that word. I don't hear that. conservative. I think people go to church, but but conservative meaning gay and lesbians are ashamed of themselves in Houston.

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They're ashamed of what's on the television all the time, such as only the leather only the drag. And a lot of the people who are still in the closet, or afraid of being out, don't want to be associated with that. And that's where spectrum comes in, which shows all the other aspects of the gay and lesbian community



Howard McHale 34:03

itself. So excellent. I liked that idea. Listen, to move over to Sarah from Austin.



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We're not going to go to Sara. We lost her.



Howard McHale 34:12

We lost Sarah. Well, we actually had a phone call. And you know it what we're touching on is real important in here, because what happens is that we have the ability right now, and coming up in June, to show to corporate sponsors across the country, that we are available for us here.



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And he's very viable. We're \$2 Billion Strong in this community.



Howard McHale 34:35

And what really upsets me is the fact that what I'm afraid of is I've heard some rumors Alan, and we'll get to that we'll get to the dirt and I might not necessarily the dirt, but I hear negative things. And I don't like to I don't like to progress to negative things. But I'm going to be there and like I said, it's a tie in with Gay Pride Week and I'm excited. I'm excited. to go there with my lover and hold his hand in the astral arena, you know that number one that excites me and number two to see all these friendly gay friendly people all throughout the building is going to be exciting and it's gonna touch me. I'll have that feeling of I'm shed a tear. Do you understand what I'm saying? And it's so important. I'm sorry that sometimes Houston takes this complacent attitude I'm you know, I'm always kidding resin about Houston and living here. And for some reason I plopped down here, the fourth largest city in the country I popped here and I don't know why. And I don't know why. There's some kind of draw there's, there's something that I think that I can bring to the city and that my ideas and my goals, my aspirations, and you should be congratulated on on your work that you've done with the gay community and and what you're trying to see. And I'm equally excited. Go ahead mentioned Spektrum 95, the dates and the times and what's going on.



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It's June 18. At the Astor arena, we have tickets on sale. Now our first CD comes out in two weeks first city, what do you mean a CD we have two CDs that are being produced from this event. A lot of the stars have given us songs that they have originally written and recorded, and we're putting them on two CDs. The first one is called hand in hand, and it's available in two weeks. Yeah, but



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tell me about the parking cost. It cost a fortune.



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We will have shadows, somewhere around the Montrose area. Now where it's running all day, we'd be serving alcohol on the shuttle. No, no, no, no. Don't want to pay for that liability. Kill us.



Howard McHale 36:40

Hey, I'm excited. I'm excited to see this happening in Houston. And I think every gay and lesbian, transgender and



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bisexual bisexual. So if I may, real quickly, we are raising funds for seven community organizations at the same time.



Howard McHale 36:54

So actually, which this is the first for Gay Pride Week this year to do you know that that we have we have four organizations we're working for. So actually your support, gay Houston, bisexual, Houston, trans jenderal, Houston, are going towards wonderful causes. Yes, Alan, it's been wonderful having you here tonight. And congratulations. Once again. I'm looking forward to a wonderful spectrum 95 And a huge successful Gay Pride Week this year. Right. Thank you very much. Thank you, Jimmy, ready for some music. Thank you, Ellen. Hubbard who was here? Well, listen, you listen to Big Daddy Howard McHale and Scott Lewis, who's in Austin, but no worries yet. Dallas. He's in Dallas. He's in Dallas. And once again, we spoke to Ellen bourgeoisie spectrum. 95 So you know, get your career butts out there and patronize these wonderful things going on. He's kind of cute, isn't he? Jen? Who? He's wearing the modified jeans and they look awful tight. Oh, now we get to the part of the show. We get real trashy. Listen once again gang remember? Remember that? God turn your clocks ahead tonight.



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So won't be long at the bars the closer That's



Howard McHale 38:15

right. We got a bird robbery. Get the hell out of here. We've got daylight savings time. Jimmy RIGHT. Shake your head girl. Come on, say something. Say something. Yeah, there we go. There we go. Right.

 Jimmy Carper 38:29
We are stuck becomes three if we

 Howard McHale 38:31
take me to Heaven, baby. And who was that as our late great

 Jimmy Carper 38:35
National Gay and Lesbian treasurer, Sylvester ducha.

 Howard McHale 38:39
Don't get pissed off about talking about him late. Yeah, God, dang. And what's going on in this world? Anyway,

 Jimmy Carper 38:44
we're losing a lot of folks. I know. It's just gonna start hitting Houston. We've lost well over 5000 people in Houston today. And it's about to blossom.

 Howard McHale 38:56
You know, did you know what's going on this weekend? Have you talked about it, Jim?

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Great. Time to put a plug in for the names project. Project quilts on display at George R Brown, and it's

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beautiful.

 Howard McHale 39:07
Now not not done, done to all those people to understand. George Brown has the convention center down here in downtown Houston. And they are displaying the quilt. Yes, they



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are. There's about 4000 Plus, it's



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incredible. It's the biggest display I can remember.



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Either in the spring or the fall of 96. It's going to be in Washington again. And they're gonna have like close to 37,000 panels.



Howard McHale 39:28

Hey, do you hear about that little love the little boy in Los Angeles was in Los Angeles who was born with AIDS virus and then all of a sudden at six years old had kind of disappeared maybe good things are happening. I don't know.



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I mentioned last week talked a lot about that the Rios this convention they were talking about a gene therapy and a lot of stuff kind of interesting.



Howard McHale 39:50

You know, I wonder if I wonder if we're on the verge of something good or something bad.



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Something good Howard. Something



Howard McHale 39:59

I always say Get we're speaking to Jim Griffith and for all of you out there listening and I know that this has not been a wild Sheldon I gang and I realized that the the husband hunt and the love connection will be next month with scars the husband



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the Astrodome with your walk into Dan with your lover, we were both like

H Howard McHale 40:23

for all of you who don't understand that, you know, I've been dating this Hispanic man from Dallas Since Christmas

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is impressive.

H Howard McHale 40:32

Well the nice thing about he goes home to like the grandkids and my mother knew my mother. But like I said, the husband hooked and the love connection will return. They I think Scott and I are doing the first and third shows now are we not while

J Jimmy Carper 40:51

you're doing the first show for sure. And the second show with a month normally is Sarah dipalma. This month, Sarah is switching with the bisexual group. So Sarah is a good

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looking man in that bisexual group always other really?

J Jimmy Carper 41:07

I've got a boyfriend and the bisexual

H Howard McHale 41:09

maybe I'm gonna have to come down over that bisexual group and then buy me something let me die have sex with them. And then the fourth

J Jimmy Carper 41:17

the fourth Saturday in April is going to be Stacy who is a? In into the fist. Group.

H Howard McHale 41:27

Females. I used to be seven isn't that this group women's on my walk funny now.



Jimmy Carper 41:34

And in April, just just the plug for myself in April. There are five Saturday so the fifth Saturday of the month is always a music show. Solid, solid gay and lesbian.



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Let's listen to that music night. Maybe my husband will be down.



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To give you all the record.



Howard McHale 41:56

I'll tell you a lot of things to the record, usually bail bondsman anyway. Yes. George Brown Convention Center and the the quilts out there get out.



Jimmy Carper 42:06

If you've never seen it, it go. It's beautiful. It



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really is incredible.



Howard McHale 42:13

And I totally go talk honestly, I'm not going because I'm just sick and tired of talking about AIDS. I'm sick and tired of talking about I want to go away.



Jimmy Carper 42:21

It's not gonna Yeah, but it's not gonna go away.



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It's not gonna go away. I'm so sad about the whole day. That's like



Jimmy Carper 42:27

people who wear red ribbons and don't really do anything. Exactly, you know. And you go and



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you see Yeah, because this, this disease has a positive side and anger side. But this time.



Jimmy Carper 42:39

And the positive side is the quilt because it is very slowly the most beautiful art piece that you're ever going to see. It really is. It's people's lives right there in front of you.



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They will jump right off the floor. And you can look at some of these quilts and you can just see this whole person's life just like yeah, my



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dad You try.



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We're going to work on it because



Howard McHale 43:00

we're gonna we're going into this segment of the show tonight gang and I know this is a serious aspect and everyone's going to all this cords and letters are going to come in and say, Oh, Scott, why'd you leave us? No husband hunt. Oh, no, talking about penises. Again.



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We have tailored penises. Oh, I



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don't always want to talk about penis. Oh.



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Oh, let me come in here.



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Are there any persons out there?



Jimmy Carper 43:27

Right now and say you're listening to KPFT Houston, 90.1 FM and ke O 's College Station. Brian. And you're listening to us there on 89.1 FM NightBot. I just know this. You're listening to after hours. A continuing tradition right here on KPFT. Houston. It's the show for the BI lat gay lesbian trans yet. That's a gay, lesbian, bisexual Trent the GLBT for everybody gRPC community,



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actually actually, you know, on the actual end, it's



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for the straight community to you know, you



Howard McHale 44:04

know, I you know, every day I wake up and this is gonna sound strange, but I thank God that I'm a homosexual. Oh, me too. I know, it sounds strange. But you know, I am so fortunate to work in a climate where I'm able to be a boss and to be out. And the owners of the corporation that I work for are very anti homophobic.



Jimmy Carper 44:29

That's a very that's a very precious thing that you have, you know, is because I, I do volunteer work with a gay and lesbian switchboard. We have a lot of teachers who come in and do volunteer work with the switchboard because they cannot be out,



Howard McHale 44:44

you know, and I thank God every day that I'm I, I make a decent living, and I am single. Oh boy. I said that boyfriend in Dallas. Of course, though, we're on the topic of Hispanic men, which they're just gorgeous. You know, I'm just I'm just A pale white girl, I look tired all the time.



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But as tired, in fact,



Howard McHale 45:05

our husband, Howard, but I just thank God every day that I'm in an environment where I can be out as a gay man. And that's one of the reasons why I liked this town. I don't know why being as much as I really talk it down. But anyway, we're going to take this whole conversation on a real serious aspect. And once again, at tie in with the quilt out of how many how many panels of the quilt were there, Jim, there's about 4000, which is only for one understand a certain percentage 10% of the quilts because



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like about 27,000 Total at this point, when I hear



Howard McHale 45:45

walking into that room and seeing those quilts, how did it touch? You just just did that feeling? What was the smell of the room? Was it death?



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No. It's like, if you saw the opening ceremonies where they unfold these quilts, and they all lift them up. And it just, I mean, you got to a three by six panels sewn together to make another one and four of them sewn together to make this big, huge one. And when these people lift this panel up, and they unfolded like a rose petal, it's just gorgeous. And they lifted up and it just gives life to the whole thing. And like each one of these people, like just breathe into you. It's just, it's fabulous. In fact, there was this, we were talking about, it was a very, very heavy woman. And she was on one of these, quote unfoldings. And they were mentioning that when she was unfolding and she almost slipped off the ground. It was incredible. It was really, really a cool thing. This this particular time. I wasn't as emotionally involved because I've done it to other times, so but it's still to walk around and see it as it's really life giving. Okay, Jim,



Howard McHale 46:52

okay, let's cut the crap here. Okay, what else cut the crap here, Jim. Yeah, you're a good friend of mine. And I respect you. Thanks, Howard. But I want to know something while we unfolding these panels of these gay men and women and I know not only gay children moved out and children and straight people and people, the only people who are common to this are gays and lesbians. But that's not true. Okay. Well, who's coming? Who is coming to see this? What impact on government what impact on this society? Are those panels formulating? What? Who are they touching at there? If we're only talking about AIDS between the gay and lesbian community, we've heard this before. We've been hearing this for 12 years.



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But it's a time for us to go and see and appreciate and remember and be caught up in this in the thing again and take caught



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up in AIDS. I've been caught



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up and aids to remit to take time. Remember those people that have gone?



Howard McHale 47:57

I've been going to a funeral once a month for the last 10 years. Oh yeah, yeah, me too. Okay. Okay. What I'm trying to say here is that, you know, if we have a Gay Pride weekend, only gay pride people show up for the parade. You know, gay people,



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sera, sera, sera,



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sera, sera from Austin.



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Austin. Just report just when I was getting hot here.



Jimmy Carper 48:20

But, but she's on her nickel.



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Okay, nickel. You there so. So, are you there? Sarah, are you there? Yeah, well, yeah. Hey, what are you doing out there?

