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SPEAKERS

Jimmy Carper, Greg Gordon, Roger, Buddy Johnston, Lucy Chappelle

B Buddy Johnston 00:01

I had to stop for a minute because you know, somebody's gonna call and say what's the token?
Oh,

J Jimmy Carper 00:06

they did and they all know. Okay.

B Buddy Johnston 00:12

Now we're getting ready to talk to Ron with the Gay Lesbian switchboard. And he did. He did have a first he was a first on the show. Because we did something in the beginning that we don't do anymore. We may start doing it again. But it was a lot of fun back then. Yeah, Roger, are you with us? If we got anybody to think before we go back to this?

R Roger 00:37

I've got an anonymous pledge

B Buddy Johnston 00:38

here. Oh, thank

R Roger 00:39

you. And to thank you. Uh huh. And that's all right now. So

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Buddy Johnston 00:45

where do we stand up financially? Right now we're at \$260 \$60. And we need to raise over \$1,000 in the next

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Roger 00:54

battle that little less than \$1,000.02 hours

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Buddy Johnston 00:56

and 50 minutes. Okay, that's right. 1000 bucks, five to 657385 to 6k P F T. And we said that Ron was special because in the beginning, our second marathon show was also our second show was a marathon show. Hmm. And I was scared enough just doing the program. I'll ask him about that in a second. But we were also doing marathon. But on the very first show, after we played coming back, we played looking for a hero.

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Jimmy Carper 01:28

Yes. Hold on. You're holding out her hero. That's how you actually opened the show.

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Buddy Johnston 01:33

Then we played? I want to dance with somebody by what's her name? Thelma Houston. Elmer Houston. Yeah. Whitney Houston. I mean, and before we did that, we played something that we had recorded from a couple of guys that I met and it went something like this.

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Hi, this is Kevin. This is Ron. And we're from the gay and lesbian switchboard Houston. And you're listening to after hours on KPFT Houston 90.1.

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Jimmy Carper 02:16

A couple of faggots.

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Buddy Johnston 02:19

Sorry. Was that to mean? Terribly



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not nearly that Nellie?



Jimmy Carper 02:31

Oh, we're all laughing but do you know why that was so distinctive? Ron will tell me because that was the first time but he want to say this. First time why the first time that the words gay and lesbian were ever used in conjunction with this show.



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That's right. And Jews live from the heart of Montrose. Yeah. And all the pre program was just years. Yeah. That's after hours.



Jimmy Carper 03:03

celebrating life. Because never see we're



Buddy Johnston 03:07

never said the G word.



Jimmy Carper 03:09

Or The L Word. Until that, that came on. So you are the first one.



Buddy Johnston 03:17

So write that down. You after hours fanatics turn that will be a trivia question.



Jimmy Carper 03:22

Yeah. Oh, yeah. It sure will.



Buddy Johnston 03:27

So do you remember those days? Oh, yeah. We were three hours ago.



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room over there not knowing what the heck you're supposed to be doing.

 Buddy Johnston 03:36

Right. Let's I was sitting in here shaking. I was really scared. I thought you guys were in here. Everybody was in there. We were in that room over in the studio. Yeah. It was in here with me. No one.

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I don't know. I think we were all afraid of you. He's crazy. We think we like what he's doing.

 Buddy Johnston 03:57

Is that really what you thought? Yeah. They'd heard those words man was a mission. Oh, yeah. I thought I was on a mission from God. With those days where it was a long time ago,

 Jimmy Carper 04:12

it was you and Kevin and Catherine Catherine. And as I think, Ron, you're the out of the three are the only one left with the switchboard. Basically, out of those three, yeah.

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Still on the phones and doing my stuff.

 Buddy Johnston 04:31

Speaking of the switchboard, we're talking about the gay and lesbian switchboard.

 Jimmy Carper 04:36

I know I just which has been arranged, thus switchboard,

 Buddy Johnston 04:39

which has been around for years, how many years 10 years 10 years. So today's 1990 that means switchboard went on on line in 1980.

 Jimmy Carper 04:51

Well, was it 8181

B Buddy Johnston 04:56

There we go. December 2119 81.

J Jimmy Carper 04:57

So Word, Christmas. Yeah.

B Buddy Johnston 05:05

Can you imagine the calls that came in four days before Christmas?

J Jimmy Carper 05:08

I'll bet not too many. Just starting up. I mean, who knew about it?

B Buddy Johnston 05:15

How did they know about it? You know, history behind it,

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a lot of press about it. scrapbooks of old photos. And you know, I've ever gone through that. Well, they're very interesting. And you know, it kind of gets old after a while because it's like, well, the Gay Lesbian switchboard swing this this week, and you're doing this this week, and there was pressing the paper almost every week for months and months and months getting the name out.

J Jimmy Carper 05:39

Did you? Did you have money problems in the beginning, like we have now any

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problems ever since we've started? It's very

J Jimmy Carper 05:47

important to you know why? Because tomorrow we're going to the people who work for the gay and lesbian switchboard have volunteered their services are the people who want to sit there and talk to other people on the phone. We're not the type that like to go out and ask for money. So because of that, we're always broke.

 Buddy Johnston 06:11

Well, all the money just flows into all these big clubs that have all these fundraisers. Yeah, right.

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Is he talking about Houston? No,

 Jimmy Carper 06:21

no, I'm just kidding. There have been a couple of clubs that have been very generous with their time and allowing fundraisers and, in fact, even springing them on us when we in fact didn't know. Which is always nice to hear.

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Yeah. And those those folks are very much appreciate you

 Buddy Johnston 06:42

bet. But as a whole for a long struggle for our whole

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we do struggle, struggle all the time. Ron, how long?

 Buddy Johnston 06:50

I'm sorry, how long have you been with the switchboard yourself? Because you were here in 87. When

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I moved to Houston in 1986, in April, and I became a switchboard volunteer in June. And I've been on the phones ever since I don't know what to switchboard ever since. So why? Why my gosh. I think you know, as a volunteer with the switchboard there were there were awards of

doing what we do our real immediate. I mean, you know, you go in, you work on the phones every week, you can, you can tell that you've done something at the end of your day. It's not something that you never see a result from, you know, in the very personal contact with the people is great. It's just great.

J Jimmy Carper 07:39

Time to do it. It's gut wrenching.

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Yeah. Yeah. What do you mean, when we talk to some folks about some real difficult things coming out, coming out aids? parents whose children have come out and what did I do? Now? That sounds great. Yeah. But it's, sometimes it's real difficult.

B Buddy Johnston 08:01

So what if somebody asks you what, what is most frequently asked question, what? What do you get? Oh, gosh,

J Jimmy Carper 08:07

what would you ask?

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Well, the most frequently asked question is I'm here from out of town, and where do I go, but

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which we do to the most frequently asked, serious question. Hey, I'm

J Jimmy Carper 08:24

the host here. Yeah.

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You know, a lot of people, when you talk about call it coming out calls and folks who call up and say, you know, how do you know if you're gay? You know, and that's always like, Oh, this is gonna be interesting. It's gonna be fun, you know, and you really get the chance to talk about

all of that stuff with someone. And it's great. Yeah, I feel really good. And it's

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Jimmy Carper 08:48

also one of the more difficult because everything is from within.

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Buddy Johnston 08:53

Sure. Plus, you have to be real careful what you're telling these people. That means you go, you just walk in and start answering the phones.

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No, everyone who's a volunteer has to go through a training class, and do well. And those who finish up training become volunteers on the phones. We do have volunteers who don't work on the phones. But

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Buddy Johnston 09:16

oh, I didn't know that. Yeah, yeah. See, I could do that. I can't work on the phones, girl. That's why I sell them when we need help. I'll meet me over at Charlie's and we'll settle this right now. Slice beef sandwich and the world will be better. But you can't do that. I didn't know you. You had people that did things that weren't right on the telephone, right? Mary, you never told me that.

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Jimmy Carper 09:41

Well, you're you're so involved in everything else.

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We're afraid to take you away from everything else.

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Buddy Johnston 09:49

Let me out of here. Be honest with you.

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Jimmy Carper 09:54

I remember not only listening to the second show, but listening to the first show. And I remember going through training. And I heard this story about a woman who called up to the switchboard one time and just cried for 45 minutes, and then hung up the phone. And she was

on the first after our show. Oh, wow, Mary.

B Buddy Johnston 10:22

She was the net. She was the local coordinator for the March on Washington. Yes.

J Jimmy Carper 10:26

But she

B Buddy Johnston 10:28

had, that's three years ago. Wow.

J Jimmy Carper 10:31

Her first contact was calling up and hearing this other gay voice on the phone and just crying and that was the release after all these years. She said she cried for 45. Yeah. And then hung up and called back.

B Buddy Johnston 10:46

Like she laid back later and got the address to what was then called Wildenstein bookstore. Yes. And we're Mike mish worked and went and got information. Yeah.

J Jimmy Carper 10:54

And one thing led to another, and boom, here

B Buddy Johnston 10:59

we go to Washington. Yeah. What do we want gay, right.

J Jimmy Carper 11:03

But I remember someone in my training class telling me that story. And at the time, I thought, oh, yeah, sure. Somebody's gonna call up and cry for 40. And I doubted it during training. I thought, well, this is just something but you know, after I got on the phones, I thought, you know, this, this could really happen. We're there for every and and when I heard that show. I was. Yeah, here it is.



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People call about everything that they want to talk about. Yeah. And that's okay. That's what we're there for.



J Jimmy Carper 11:40

What other service? Does the switchboard provide?



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Well, we provide a t t, t, t, y slash te d. D, which is the politically correct. I'm not sure. Great, but what is the service for the hearing impaired community? phone line we have that is especially for the hearing impaired community.



J Jimmy Carper 12:01

I'm talking like, I don't know this, right. I



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understand that. Okay.



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For our listeners, what



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is this stuff?



J Jimmy Carper 12:10

Now this is where someone can call a hearing impaired person, right



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through a machine or machine. It's like a little typewriter. doohickey. You kind of read what they're typing and talk to a hearing person on the other line, or vice versa, or vice versa? Yeah. See them in airports. They have little TDD machine available signs. And

B Buddy Johnston 12:32

we have the police department. Yeah, we use them at HPD. Because there are a lot of deaf people in our city that can't speak are here. And

J Jimmy Carper 12:40

that's the only communicate. Yeah.

B Buddy Johnston 12:44

So what's what's changed the switchboard in the last three years?

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We just moved our offices recently, which is kind of fun. And the decorators have yet to arrive. I know.

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I'm just all these sexuals Can we do something with these walls?

J Jimmy Carper 13:03

Sure. What, what but it's really, really nice.

B Buddy Johnston 13:10

You You've we've seen the switchboard grow or has grown, you're always in need of people, because there are times that I've called and you get the recording?

J Jimmy Carper 13:21

Well, it's it's a pretty tough type of situation. People kind of come and go and sometimes people need to take a break and you go away for a while or

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there are very few people who who've been around, you know, continuously consistently for, you know, more than a few years, folks, you know, the burnout rate is Yeah, really. Plus people who are involved in switchboard are usually involved in other things, too. You know, the can't

say no, kind of volunteer. Yes. And

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Buddy Johnston 13:51

it's the same way though, with doing this because you're here every week and you're supposed to come on and bubble like life is wonderful. And really it isn't. Because there are those people like Jesse Helms and Dr. Steven Hulsey, here locally, who want to kill us and put us away in grave it's

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Jimmy Carper 14:08

the same thing because you walk into the switchboard. To do a shift. You have to kind of get your head set for it. Because there there are times and you're just not really up to it or

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Buddy Johnston 14:21

you know that we have got things on your own mind. We had a listener call in not too long ago that had heard us at work and won an album and lost his job. Yeah, so then you get those calls from young people and they say well, I'm afraid to talk to anyone anymore about the show because this guy lost his job. Or I talked about back in April my father dying and how we never had a relationship and they say well, I can't come out to my parents if you know. So we but

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to because it's a switchboard there is always always somebody you can call, you know, there's always somebody to talk to. When you need Whew, that's that's what we do.

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Buddy Johnston 15:02

It's, it's a good place. I think my first contact that I can remember with the switchboard was back in. I can't remember the year now 85, maybe 86 When the gay referendum vote was before City Council of the City, because the city council had made it illegal to discriminate against gay and lesbian people who were employed by the city. And working for the police department. I thought, wow, this is great, because then I can come out. And I was sitting at the computer terminal that night when the vote was very bad against us, and we lost bitterly. And it came across the screen on the computer at the Houston Police Department 78% against the queers. And I remember putting that in my bag and crying all the way from 61 reasoning. We're just we're the police department is to highway six and Westheimer where I was living in Michigan been, and so angry that there was no one to complain to. And I tried to call the straight slate who was there then and talk to them. And they were very religious and very belligerent. And I think I wound up calling the switchboard and sending the check. I can't remember. I remember that that's one of the first times that I called I really had no place else to turn. And we've had those calls here. That's how you got involved to me about the show. Right?

J Jimmy Carper 16:27

Yeah, that's how I got involved because we were getting calls. You were getting calls from teenagers coming out people with other people with problems, and they still do. And you you got in contact with the switchboard in some way. I don't remember exactly how

B Buddy Johnston 16:44

to ask. I had asked Catherine I think it was or maybe it was Kevin at the time. Uh huh. If there were people there who would be interested in counseling folks, as they called, because even in the beginning, I was afraid to let just anybody answer our phones. We're very, very picky about who answers the phones here during the show. Because you can't just have somebody answering the phones, it's gonna say, Yeah, meet me at Charlie's. And we'll solve this because that's not the way you know what I mean. And there are people unfortunately, who would do that. So we have tried to protect our audience just as much as you protect the community through the switchboard. Yeah, we had put out feelers with the switchboard. And I don't know if that's why you showed up. Yes, that

J Jimmy Carper 17:27

is what that is. And I did that for six months.

B Buddy Johnston 17:30

And through those phones loved it. That was when we were here from two in the morning until three

J Jimmy Carper 17:36

to four to four. Yeah. It was it was always worth it to me. And I think because I love the show anyway, I think you know, I hardly ever got to hear it. Because I was on the phone about half the show.

B Buddy Johnston 17:49

I never get to hear it either.

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Call the switchboard when I have problems. Because I know everybody there.

B Buddy Johnston 17:50

 Buddy Johnston 18:08

I don't call I'm the one that calls.

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You never get to see the show.

 Buddy Johnston 18:03

Anyone that calls in Christ. Because I don't want to tell him. Oh, it's that guy from

 J Jimmy Carper 18:12

we I don't think we ever liked anybody to know, and sometimes to our detriment, but that's kind of not the way the switchboard works.

 Buddy Johnston 18:26

So the switchboard needs your financial support, of course, always. And if you're a big business and you have lots of money to donate, how could they How could someone get a hold of this switchboard? Well, call a calling. Yes. When the phone finishes the message, does that take a message? Or does it just hang up?

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Yeah, it does.

 J Jimmy Carper 18:45

It does take a message. Yeah.

 Buddy Johnston 18:47

And so you could actually call and say, it doesn't take a message. And

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the other one, the other one does the TDD line.

 Buddy Johnston 18:58

So they'd have to call during hours and someone was there.



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Say, you know, I'd like to, I had a call a few weeks ago, and a woman said something about, well, I want to save the switchboard. And I said, Oh, good, I can go home now. You know, you're she's gonna take care of everything. We were talking, talking about, oh, all kinds of things we ended up talking about, but she wanted to send us a check. And I gave her post office box number and, and that was really great. I mean, you know, it's a wonderful way to open up a shift. Also, you know, something else that that, that a person can do is to get involved in and become a volunteer. We do our volunteer training. We've been doing it every three months. And starting next year, we'll be doing it every two months, which hopefully will catch some people who just get tired of waiting for that class to start.



J Jimmy Carper 19:45

Because it's a very involved class, a text to wait again, takes two



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whole weekends.



B Buddy Johnston 19:50

So it's the same way if you want to be a volunteer to call the switchboard. Four and midnight. Yep. And that number is



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5293 To watch



B Buddy Johnston 20:04

Well, what I we talked about the switchboard all the time. So it's really, you know, kind of funny to come in and say well what's going on? Because we know what goes on. What what do you see that's changed here since you were here three years ago. Do we look like we have any idea what the hell we're doing girl a Pft. Geared after? Oh, sure. Yeah, that's Yeah, that's right after hours after hours first



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shot more relaxed. Well the station yet? Well, yeah. Get the decorators over here too. You know. I'm a lot more relaxed being here. I mean, at first, you know, everything was like, this is

KNOW, I'M A LOT MORE RELAXED BEING HERE. I MEAN, AT FIRST, YOU KNOW, EVERYTHING WAS LIKE, THIS IS NEW, AND THIS IS EXCITING, BUT IT'S SCARY. AND NOW IT'S STILL EXCITING. AND IT'S STILL NEW, BUT IT'S NOT SO SCARY ANYMORE.

 **Buddy Johnston 20:49**

It is scary. Okay. All right. Because you know, you get one person on the phone, and we've got one person on the other end of the radio listening. So you have to be very careful what you say. Because that person could be Jesse him. Yeah. Jesse, how you do Clayton Williams. Or some of those other people in the pot that we stir. Yeah, we do stir the pot. And I don't like that either. I really don't. I wish we could all live in harmony, but that's never gonna happen. So how long are you going to be with the switchboard till the day? I don't know. How long really? When you do you ever stop and think about that

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and not doing?

 **Buddy Johnston 21:34**

It's the same way with the show. I get so aggravated sometimes. And so discouraged. I think I'll never go back. I'm never going to do it again. Yeah, you know, to hell with them. I don't care if anybody listens. It's just not worth it. I'm physically exhausted. I don't have time for anything else. I want to spend my Saturday nights somewhere other than a radio station.

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Well, that's when you call us. No. Jimmy

 **Buddy Johnston 21:58**

what? How long do you see yourself working for the switchboard?

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I can't believe I've been there for four years. I can't imagine not working, you know, at the switchboard in some way. Yeah. And I love you know, working with the new classes every so often I love you know, meeting all the new volunteers and, and working on the phones. I did resign from the board of directors, which was a great relief to me because I needed some more time for school.

 **Buddy Johnston 22:25**

They probably bring in a fresh sort of

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J Jimmy Carper 22:30

every so often charge from new people to Yeah, because like all of us, you're not just involved with the switchboard. I'm looking at

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your shirt. Oh, my delta lambda phi shirt. Yeah.

J Jimmy Carper 22:41

Several brothers out in the lobby answering phones. Yes. Yeah, we're in general carrying on speaking

B Buddy Johnston 22:47

of the lobby. We need to know about the lobby.

1 Jimmy Carter 22:53

Yes, what's going on in the lobby? Because we

B Buddy Johnston 22:56

don't want to forget about what we're doing in here.

R Roger 23:00

Roger, I'm here. Just waiting for that. Okay, tell us what's happening. We're still at \$260. I've got people here waiting to answer your phone call at 526-573-8526 KPFT where they will answer the phone and ask you to make a pledge to support after hours and KPFT

B Buddy Johnston 23:28

526-573-8526 KPFT this way with Greg Gordon. And this way out with Greg Gordon and Lucia Bell is coming up in just a minute.

L Lucy Chappelle 23:45

¹¹ See, for example, the discussion of the 1992 Constitutional Convention in the *Constitutional Convention of 1992: The Final Report* (1993).

My name is Lucy Chappelle. And I'm Greg Gordon. And we produce this way out the international lesbian and gay radio magazine.

 Greg Gordon 23:51

It's very important to support this kind of radio station because this kind of radio station is the only kind of radio station that's going to provide programming for a significant audience. Like gay men and lesbians commercial

 Lucy Chappelle 24:03

stations would be afraid to lose their listeners if they didn't apologize for the gay lesbian lifestyle and not just report on it.

 Greg Gordon 24:10

Unlike commercial stations, community radio does not depend upon advertising to support itself to pay the bills to keep the transmitter going to pay the light bills. It's you the listener at home. And that's why periodically community radio stations all over the country go on the air and ask you to support the station by pledging to support the station with your dollars.

 Lucy Chappelle 24:29

Community Radio in short is just a real valuable resource for you and for me, so take advantage of it and support it.

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On gay people changed in the past decade, let's say probably. We can assume the KGB is as stupid as

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that I thought but ultimately bottled up has a presence here, but as noisy as possible.

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One of the reasons why people with AIDS are so desperate for treatment is because there are many different ways of attacking the virus and those ways really haven't been researched properly. And there's



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internet homosexuality is not a crime. However, we have in one of the Federative state, a law forbidding the homosexuals to vote on grounds of indignity, as it says in the law.

**Greg Gordon 25:26**

This is Lucia Chappelle and Greg Gordon and you're listening to this way out the international lesbian and gay radio magazine on after hours

**Lucy Chappelle 25:34**

right here on Pacifica radio 90.1 FM KPFT Houston.

**Greg Gordon 25:40**

Welcome to this way out, the International lesbian and gay radio magazine. I'm Greg Gordon

**Lucy Chappelle 25:45**

and I'm Lucia Chapelle. ACT UP converges on Canberra

**Greg Gordon 25:50**

response to hyperthermia treatment runs hot and cold

**Lucy Chappelle 25:53**

and Argentina doesn't cry for gays and lesbians either.

**Greg Gordon 25:56**

All that and more because you've discovered this way out.



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I'm Mark Sakamoto.



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And I'm Sandy Dwyer



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with news route, a summary of some of the news in or affecting the Lesbian Gay community for the week ending September 2 1990. British defense minister Archie Hamilton has admitted that between 1987 and 1989 228 members of their armed forces were expelled because of homosexuality or homosexual behavior. Most of the soldiers were dismissed without trial or penalty, but 32 were discharged following conviction by court martial or summary discipline. Britain's anti gay and lesbian military policy which states homosexuality is incompatible with military service parallels that of the United States, but is not consistent with most others in Western Europe. Lesbians and Gays are welcome in many countries, including Austria, Spain, France, West Germany and the Scandinavian countries.



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US Representative Gary Studds is calling for a new in depth investigation into the Pentagon's prohibition against gay men and lesbians. Last October study obtained and released a long suppressed Pentagon report which questioned the anti gay and lesbian policy. He is now asking the General Accounting Office or the GAO to undertake a wider study than that made by the Pentagon. The GAO, which has subpoena power is generally considered a respected and impartial agency. Studds has requested that the study be completed before the end of the year, clearing the way for hearings early in the next session of Congress.



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The first domestic partnership benefits case to be considered by a US Federal Court has been filed by Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund lambdas client Sandra Rivera, the surviving partner of Marjorie for lini, an employee of AT and T has filed a complaint against the company for refusing to provide employee death benefits are routinely given to surviving family members. For Leni who was an AT and T sales and marketing manager from 1980 until her death from cancer in 1988, was in a committed relationship with Rivera for 12 years. The two women shared a home for most of their 12 years together and together had raised rosevears two children. As Perlini surviving partner Rivera filed a claim on behalf of herself and the two children. But at&t refused to extend the benefits on the grounds that Rivera and for lini were not legally married, and that the children were not the deceased employees natural or adopted children were veers lawsuit claims that the company's refusal to provide the benefits violates federal law, which requires an employer to honor the promises it makes regarding benefits, and that the denial violates a TNTs own employment policy and New York city and state laws prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation and marital status.



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The conclusions reached by the US Federal aids commission in its most recent report came as no surprise to AIDS activists, but did finally make others take notice. Mary van clay has the story. The President's



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top advisory panel on the disease raise three issues of concern in last week statement. The spread of aid in rural communities was one diagnosed cases there rose by 37% Last year, compared with a 5% increase in large US cities. June Osborne, head of the commission and Dean of the School of Public Health at the University of Michigan, said rural Americans seem to be repeating the denial that led to the rapid spread of AIDS in large cities,



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until the first AIDS cases show up and are recognized.



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Whole communities or small communities may try and walk away from it and pretend that the world hasn't changed in the way that it definitely has.



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The Commission also reported that a shocking number of doctors, nurses, dentists and other health care workers are reluctant to care for people with AIDS or HIV. Osborne said for physicians frequently say they're not knowledgeable enough about AIDS to do the job. But that excuse she said is no longer acceptable.



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Surely, anybody who's using ignorance as an excuse now has got to rethink that in the face of the magnitude of the epidemic.



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The final point of the report is that not enough people of color women or children are represented in federally funded trials of AIDS drugs. The panel praised the National Institutes of Health for its innovative programs on testing, but called on Congress and President Bush to join in finding ways to give more people access to safe use of proven drugs. In San Francisco. I'm Mary van clay.



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And other stories making news this week. The Board of Alderman of New Haven Connecticut have voted unanimously to amend the city charter to include anti discrimination protections for gays and lesbians in employment and in the provision of public services. The law applies only to government employees, but the board called in the state's general assembly to enact legislation banning discrimination in the private sector as well.



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The township AIDS Project founded by black gay anti apartheid activist Seiko Simon Coley has officially opened its first office in Soweto chairperson Peter Boosey. Thank the governments of Norway, France, Sweden and Scandinavia and lesbian and gay groups for moral and financial support given to the South African group. The British Consulate donated computers, while US consulate funded aids educational materials



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to police academy instructors at a vocational college in Appleton, Wisconsin had been suspended without pay for what officials described as offensive remarks about women and gays. One of the Academy's July graduates, along with two other officers were recently charged with assaulting a man they perceived to be gay.



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And finally, the outspoken Whoopi Goldberg has spoken out again. In an interview which appeared in Australia's Sydney star observer. She said that she believes everyone has a right to decide what goes on in their lives. Quote, I think the rights of blacks, gays, people with green eyes, men who were to pays, and women who wax their legs should be personal choices. Who needs a group to stand up and tell us that leg waxing is immoral?



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That's news wrap for the week ending September 2 1990. compiled from publications and broadcasts throughout the world and written by RJ curry and Gregg Gordon,



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remember, and informed community is a strong community. Find out what's happening in your area by monitoring your local gay and lesbian media for this way out. I'm Sandy Dwyer,



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and I'm Mark Sakamoto.



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He's a gay and lesbian people hanging out here. What's your reaction to that I



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have a little boy and I would hate for my little boy to be like that those are animals.



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I think it's terrible how to rock and so



Lucy Chappelle 32:48

children learn to hate from their parents to hate other people and themselves, which is why the lesbian and gay public awareness project wanted you to hear and think about this message. For more information right post office box 65603 Los Angeles, California 90065.



Greg Gordon 33:27

US federal judge in San Francisco has ruled that the Central Intelligence Agency must come to court to justify its policy of denying security clearances to gays and lesbians. Mary Marchetti reports on the latest developments in a northern California woman's five year legal battle with the CIA.



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Julie Dubs sued the CIA in 1985 after she was denied a security clearance because she is a lesbian. Last week the CIA's petition to have the suit thrown out was rejected by US District Court Judge Eugene Lynch. Julie Dubs' lawyer Richard Geyer says it really means the CIA will have to come to court to clarify its policy on security clearances.



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to explain how benign gave people clearances, somehow helps the government they're not allowed to discriminate just for the sake of discrimination, which is what they're doing. Now. Of



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course, Julie Dubs, a civilian technical illustrator for a Menlo Park military contractor already had top security Defense Department clearance. But the CIA told her quote, homosexual activity may be exploitable in a manner which puts sensitive intelligence at risk, unquote. Her lawyer Richard Geyer says the CIA admits the contention that every gay person is subject to blackmail by enemy agents can't logically be applied to an openly gay person like Julie Dubs. But Geyer says the new CIA concern is called secondary blackmail. A hypothetical situation in which an openly gay person is involved with a closeted gay partner or the



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person with a security clearance might give away classified information to protect their partner Well, that's pretty far fetched. Has that ever happened to your knowledge? The only straight answer we ever got from the CIA? That has never happened to our knowledge? It's just a hypothetical.



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When the matter comes to court gear plans to question CIA security people about what they perceive to be the KGB strategy for exploiting us gays with security access as the



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KGB outlook on gay people changed in the past decade, let's say probably we can assume the KGB as a stupid as



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a pretrial conference is scheduled for November and attorney Richard Geyer estimates that a trial date could be set at that time for early 1991. In San Francisco, this is Mary Marchetti.



Lucy Chappelle 35:58

As previously reported on this way out, Australia's act up the AIDS coalition to unleash Power Down Under staged its first national action at the country's fourth national AIDS conference in Canberra are on scene coverage comes to us from Colin Jones.



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where he comes from, from South Australia as council prostitutes association of South Australia and Scarlett alive I come from Sydney from Katoomba in Blue Mountain.



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Therefore, 1000 kilometers,



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you told me why you're here today



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to protest against government inaction in funding drug trials here in Australia,

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to the lives of people

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living with HIV and AIDS and to get more drug treatment.

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I come from Sweden and holiday. I stay with friends and I have HIV too. That's why I like to be here

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are the delegates this competency these important is an act of demonstration outside which absolutely vital the ACT UP has a presence here. But as noisy as possible. There's too much red tape by the bureaucracy in this country. In terms of getting quick access to treatments in this country. It's immoral people are dying

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most the 150 demonstrators also were able to get inside conference and put pressure on the organizers to ensure that Bruce Brown, a spokesperson for ACT UP Australia was able to do the opening speaker at the conference. We

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are act up the AIDS coalition to unleash power. ACT UP is a diverse nonpartisan group united in anger and committed to direct action to end the AIDS crisis. We protest and demonstrate we are not silent. We are angry because lack of action is destroying our hope and our lives. We are here to express our outrage that government bureaucrats pharmaceutical executives, researchers, doctors and the media, including those participating in this conference have locked us out of decisions affecting our lives. This conference is about the national strategy on AIDS, we're here to say that there is no national strategy on aids that we can see. Nor can there be one until people with AIDS and HIV are given a voice in their future. And until treatments are made available, which will save their lives. Let me tell you about the three biggest lies in AIDS in Australia today. One, the Australian government's approach to AIDS is a model for the rest of the world. Number two, now that we have AIDS that T HIV has become a chronic, manageable disease. Number three, you catch more flies with honey than with vinegar. So it's better to try and change things slowly and gently from within the system, rather than to rock the boat and

upset everybody. Number one, the Australian government's approach to this crisis had been excellent in terms of education and prevention campaigns. But what about the people who have HIV and AIDS? Where are the campaigns to prevent their deaths? Where are the treatments they so desperately need? Where the 70 drugs which are in use overseas while we have five to one drug, especially such an unsatisfactory Wednesday that he does not change HIV into a manageable disease is that he makes half the people who take it sick and the other half to set half have to stop taking it after a year. What do they do then? Number three, aid service organizations depend largely on the government for funding they have become normalized bureaucratized and complacent. They cannot speak freely or agitate loudly for change. Only ACT UP has that freedom only act up can speak out pressure and agitate. In the case of every HIV and AIDS treatment now available in this country. People living with the virus have demanded access and been denied that access by clinicians and doctors who later had to admit that we were right and supply the drugs. We're still demanding and they're still refusing acts up is the conscience of this conference, in the name of act up. And of all people living with this virus. I declare this conference officially open and the conference to address these issues. Following people have got x n equals live. Silence equals death, x n equals live

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Lucy Chappelle 40:44

My name is Lucia Chappelle. And I'm Greg Gordon. And we produce this way out the international lesbian and gay radio magazine,

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Greg Gordon 40:51

it's very important to support this kind of radio station because this kind of radio station is the only kind of radio station that's going to provide programming for a significant audience. Like gay men and lesbians, commercial

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Lucy Chappelle 41:03

stations would be afraid to lose their listeners if they didn't apologize for the gay lesbian lifestyle and not just report on it.

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Greg Gordon 41:10

Unlike commercial stations, community radio does not depend upon advertising to support itself to pay the bills to keep the transmitter going to pay the light bills. It's you the listener at home. And that's why periodically community radio stations all over the country go on the air and ask you to support the station by pledging to support the station with your dollars.

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Lucy Chappelle 41:29

Community Radio in short, is just a real valuable resource for you and for me, so take advantage of it and support it.

B Buddy Johnston 41:39

And you can do that right now by calling 526-573-8526 KPFT. We're waiting for your call this morning of support.

J Jimmy Carper 41:51

Now that you enjoy the lesbian and gay programming

B Buddy Johnston 41:53

exactly, and this way out, is a wonderful program syndicated her to over 300 public radio stations across the United States.

J Jimmy Carper 42:02

Including the one that serves Atlanta where my sister lives.

B Buddy Johnston 42:07

Oh, really? Yeah, she here this way out Atlanta. Oh, nice. Yeah. And this way out is produced each week, of course, by Greg Gordon and Lucia Chapelle, who are volunteers, and they will call me on Monday and asked me how they did during marathon. So if you tune in every week at 130, and you enjoy this way out, please call us now at 526-573-8526 KPFT. Roger. I'm here. Have you got anything to report?

R Roger 42:40

Not right now. Okay, five to six \$60. I've got volunteer standing by to answer the phones 526-573-8526

B Buddy Johnston 42:46

KPFT, please call and make your pledge of support for this way out. It's heard every week during this time segment between 130 and two, we put it on to give us a break between the first part of the show and our live studio guests which we try to have here every week. And then our bar rush which we have right after two. Yes. So it's, it's really a nice break for Jimmy and I

J Jimmy Carper 43:13

well, not only that, but it gives gives the listeners news all around the US and

B Buddy Johnston 43:20

the world gives you a lot of news from the world report we just had came from three CR in Melbourne,

R Roger 43:26

Australia. The this way out is heard internationally, not just across the United States, but narrow International. It's

B Buddy Johnston 43:33

really fun. The Pamela Stanley mix that we play coming out of hiding. I did that and send it to Greg and Lucia and they put that on this way out feedback during Pride Week. Wasn't that great. And we heard from some folks in Boston and we heard from a gentleman in London, who is touring the United States currently who does gay radio in London, and he'll be joining us hopefully the end of this month or the first of October. So I'm really excited about that. That 526-573-8526 KPFT can we put together a special 90.1 club membership package for this this way out right now. Jimmy?

J Jimmy Carper 44:13

I think we need to.

B Buddy Johnston 44:15

Okay, if you're the first to call and join the 90.1 Club, which entitles you to what Roger

R Roger 44:23

the program guide for a year, a galaxy you're here to glow in the dark t shirt, which is really nice. And a quartz clock along with a 90.1 club card which gives you discounts at area businesses. Okay.

B Buddy Johnston 44:43

In addition to all of those regular KPFT premiums, you will get

J Jimmy Carper 44:47

we owe the after hours highlights tape the salute to Stonewall that we made it it's got all kinds

of your favorite goodies Sit, we play here on after hours, okay, and the after hours game music faves,

B Buddy Johnston 45:06

which 60 minute cassette 60 minute cassette of the great stuff

J Jimmy Carper 45:09

you play plus a Harvey Milk highlights tape a 90 minute tape, and I've not heard this one yet, so you don't have to tell me about it.

B Buddy Johnston 45:20

So if you make your pledge of support to the 19.1 club now, for this way out, you will pick up all of that regular KPFT good stuff, right plus the cassette tapes,

J Jimmy Carper 45:30

which was we're talking about three hours of tapes here. Plus,

B Buddy Johnston 45:34

if your pledge is made on plastic, either Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Optima, we will let you have your choice of some of the singles that we have either the Yazz album, The whip up album, or the Torch Song Trilogy album. You've only got three albums so you can have one of those also, so you get a whole lot of goodies for your 90.1 club membership pledge. If it's on a credit card.

J Jimmy Carper 45:57

I mean, it's like can you believe this? It's like you're getting more than your money's worth.

B Buddy Johnston 46:04

Okay. 526-573-8526 KPFT. This is a one time deal, especially on the credit card pledge because you'll get all of our cassette packages, you'll get your choice of either the Torch Song Trilogy soundtrack, the bullpup album soundtrack, or the Yazoo album, plus our cassette goodies. Yeah, that's all by calling now at 526-573-8526 KPFT. Roger, we heard the phone ring. Is it someone taking advantage of that? Or can you tell us right now? Checking. They're busy in the lobby.

J Jimmy Carper 46:37

I hope they're all they've all got phones in their ears. We

B Buddy Johnston 46:40

have two stories left from this way out. One from Atlanta, which looks real good. And one from the 12th World Conference of international gay and lesbian people which was held in Stockholm, Sweden. So there's a lot of good stuff coming up. Good, Roger. Yes. Can you tell us what that was? Was that someone taking advantage of?

R Roger 47:05

No, I'm not sure I got someone still taking the pledge. So

B Buddy Johnston 47:11

So we still have the opportunity that maybe someone hasn't got that 90.1 club membership yet with all the goodies, right? Yeah, okay. 526-573-8526 KPFT. This is the time to call because not only will you get the program guide for a year that KPFT milkyway t shirt, the courts acrylic clock, and the KPFT membership card which entitles you to membership and a lot of very businesses, you will get our specials or discounts right discounts a lot of area businesses you will get our after hours highlight cassette, our after hours game music salute and our Harvey Milk highlights cassette plus less your

J Jimmy Carper 47:46

choice of any one of these three, the Torch Song LP, the whoop up LP that has that that favorite song of of man God Damn man, or the Yaz LP that has the stand up for your love rights

B Buddy Johnston 48:04

526-573-8526 KPFT we are waiting for someone to take advantage of this, we want to get back into this way out.

R Roger 48:11

So I've got two pledges on the line. But neither one is taken advantage of the

J Jimmy Carper 48:17

so that that special offer

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Buddy Johnston 48:19

package is still here and this package will only be good while we're listening to this way out. So you've got about 789 10 about 11 minutes to call in. So once the show is over, once the this weigh out program is finished. That's all this we'll have to fit something else together later. Okay, this is the perfect opportunity to call in now. 526-573-8526 KPFT you want us to come back to you after this way out. This before it breaks? Yes. Okay. Okay, we'll do that. We'll be back in a minute. 526-573-8526 KPFT. Remember, that's the number to call.

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Greg Gordon 49:00

you tuned in to this way out the international lesbian and gay radio magazine with Lucia Chapelle, I'm Greg Gordon.

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Greg Gordon 49:28

to Atlanta, doctors have been testing hyperthermia, a procedure in which blood is circulated out of the body heated and re infused back into the patient. Originally or rarely used cancer treatment hyperthermia has recently gained widespread attention as a treatment for caspase sarcoma and people with AIDS. But as Alan Lippy reports from New York, research on the procedure is getting as much criticism as praise.

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Exactly three patients have undergone age related hyperthermia to date. One experienced a remarkable remission of his candidacy. sarcoma. One is doing reasonably well, and a third died eight hours after receiving the treatment from Dr. Kenneth Alonso in a Mexico City clinic. The clinic was later fined by the Mexican government for allowing the procedure without proper authorization.

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I think media hype contributed to my patient's death. Bernard Buhari

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was the regular doctor of the man who died, as well as Executive Director of the Community Research Initiative. Dr. Bihari says his patient was desperate to try hyperthermia after suffering a massive relapse on oral interferon. Another experimental AIDS treatment that has received

heavy coverage in the popular press media hype about the oral interferon, which led him to make a bad decision about stopping the injections and media hype about this. Dr. Bihari joined the Gay Men's Health Crisis earlier this month in calling on Dr. Alonso and his former partner Dr. William Logan to make more data available and stop charging high fees for the experimental blood heating treatment. The Gay Men's Health Crisis called on the government to make sure people with AIDS get adequate information on treatments like hyperthermia. David Barr is the Assistant Director of Policy for GMHC one of



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the reasons why people with AIDS are so desperate for treatment is because most of the NIH ID trials are geared around AC T or drugs similar to AC T. There are many different ways of attacking the virus and those ways really haven't been researched properly.



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The heavy publicity was apparently started by Carl Crawford, the patient whose case was largely cured. Mr. Crawford says he was trying to protect Dr. Alonso from an investigative reporter at the Atlanta Journal Constitution looking into reports of risky surgery at Atlanta hospital where Alonso and Logan were working. Dr. Alonso returned to Atlanta after the patient's death, and attacks Dr. Bihari his partner and the Gay Men's Health Crisis for spreading misinformation the Gay Men's Health Crisis Center in our experience has been a source of disinformation to patients community and the length. It is this group that has continually started up publicity, when, as a general rule, we've been trying to do things in a less than public fashion to permit patients to have a degree of anonymity and merely to collect data. A scientific paper by doctors Logan and Alonso will be published in a Swedish Medical Journal soon and Carl Crawford the patient whose kappa C's are coma disappeared after the treatment says it'll be a tragedy if the controversy hurts the investigation.



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If it hadn't been for this treatment. I would already be dead. I wished I could give these people with a more hope and the only way we're gonna get this done is for all of us to pull together and fight for this. There is a lot of lies at stake.



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Reporting from New York, this is Alan Lipkin.



Greg Gordon 53:08

Argentina's repressive government makes life a dangerous game for all minorities. That's why the community dog homosexual, Argentina ranks human and civil rights as more immediate goals than lesbian and gay rights. Rafael Fraida described the situation in Argentina for Sheryl

berkovich at the International lesbian and gay Association World Conference in Stockholm. Can I



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begin by asking you to file what the general situation is for lesbians and gay men in their country



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being closeted, is the normal thing, not only because of the Church of oppression, and because of the moral sanction, but because there is a legal apparatus that is being applied to lesbians and gay men, as well as to other minorities, that by 80% of the population of the country suppose in Argentina, homosexuality is not a crime. There is no law, no act, no article in the penal code, however, half a century of dictatorships with brief democratic interludes that we have had built in an apparatus of repression, for the social control of the population. That of course applies to us. As a matter of fact, we have in one of the Federated States, a law forbidding the homosexuals to vote because they are unworthy of it. on grounds of indignity, as it says in the law, there is a law for search of records that enables policemen to pick you up in the streets or como in the clubs or when the gay bars or wherever to search if you have record. If you have a record in that case you asked suspected of being a possible criminal, they can pick you up and throw you into a pressing for one day or maybe today's in some cases, and they do not have any need to ask any judge not to tell anyone where you are. When you are into a present, it's very easy that someone will force you to sign a declaration in which you have infringed some police addict, usually is the one about Skanda in the paragraph that was intended against prostitution, and suddenly they are you are thrown in jail. And who's going to say afterwards to your family, if you're a gangster, or to your boss, if you are at work? Where Why did you miss the job? Well, I, I was in jail. And if you are a person that cannot defend your civil rights, and such is the case of most of Argentinians, because after 50 years of military dictatorships, you usually don't know very much about civil rights. You may sign under pressure, they charge for prostitution, and with three of them of entering into the precinct, you are thrown into jail for one month, and then you are released. And in the same moment, you are released, you are thrown out again, because suddenly someone another policeman found you infringing the scandal addict. They know of cases of lesbian and gays in prisons in visual devoto. Or III when Pastor, those are the two prisons there. For one year, with 12 consecutive sentences, we founded the community. My My association is the Argentine homosexual community in 1884, as a reaction against the rates, the police rates, because you know, when democracy came, after the war with England, or Indian people felt that this was a Prague Spring, you know, freedom was coming. And suddenly we were dancing or walking around or whatever. And the police cars started came back. And then after a big rage, in one of the gay bars with 400 people arrested. And one month later, the Cha was founded, and here we are doing whatever where we can, we are in the hands of the Goodwill or the bad will of the officer in charge. And that applies not only to gay men and lesbians that applies to all minorities, to the Jews, to the defenseless to the poor. Anyone have seen in Argentina, the shanty towns, suddenly surrounded that meant by maybe 200 or 300 police forces, and 2000 men or women carry the way to the precinct just to search for their records. So the first thing in our country is

to defend human rights, then civil rights. And finally, gay rights. You cannot ask for the right to go with your lover to a gay bar and dance all night. When you know that your brothers and sisters hitters also have you been arrested in the street just for being poor.



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Six by Six, from wall to wall, shutters on the window, no light at all.