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But clinching



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that was one of the worst movie adaptations I've ever seen your



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man and you know that I think the thing that upset me most about how bad that movie was, was, that was the movie. Of course, like, that was the only one we're gonna get. No. Yeah. All right now, I mean, eventually 30 years down the road, somebody might decide to remake it. But for our generation, that's what we've got. And you know what it blows? Yeah.



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Well, let me say this about us old farts that, that we had class a lot of class to. Back then, Judy Garland was a doll. Yeah, I know what and then the she was our favorite. Oh, Lord.



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A lot of a lot of people have said that. That a lot of the Stonewall riots started because we were the the, the gays and lesbians there were so in mourning and the drag queens were so in mourning over Judy Garland having just died. Was that day. Yeah. And and you know, I just got to say this straight people. We have come to accept. At that moment that Judy Garland was dead. You have to come to terms with the fact that Elvis is dead. It's time. It's time. You had your riots in LA. We had ours in New York. Let's just move on.



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Goodbye. Oh.



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Let's hear a little sound from A Chorus Line. This is Priscilla Lopez with what I did for love.



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Alright, Mama, the lake Great. Janis Joplin. Y'all get it while you can. And that's kind of my philosophy. And I'm sure she did. And she did. Oh, yes. Oh, yes. You're listening to after hours career radio with attitude. On KPFT Houston, and ke O 's College Station. I got a fax from the Go figure, the 53rd Presidential Inaugural?



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Well, they figured since you were the first one.



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It's directed to after hours. And I looked through this. It's a listing of all of the performers that are performing this entire weekend, Saturday and Sunday. Really in Washington DC.



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Are they having a gay ball this year? Jim, this time? You know,



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I have no idea. Oh. And I looked through



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all of these performers are doing just right tell about the last one,



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two pages of performers. And the only only queer performance is by Gay Men's Chorus comma musical performance. They don't even say which Gay Men's Chorus there's only about 150



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Well, that all of them are going to be included. Oh, is that is what's going to happen all year.

well, that all of them are going to be included. Oh, is that is what's going to happen all you haven't heard about this. All 150 games courses in the country are going to fly to Washington DC for the inaugural weekend. And and fill up the bathhouses and and they're just gonna have a big old nine.



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Let me say that again. Men's Chorus Yeah, someone openly gay is being included in the inaugural festivities



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speaking speaking of of bathhouses, you have time to go off a little bit.



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Yeah, let's go off on bath. Okay, because I am I have always been very pro bath house. I have to because it is a gay man's Disneyland. Yes. And we you know, as much as we like to say, oh, what we do in bed doesn't? Yes, it does matter. That is how the world defines us. Because we have sex with other men, and we should do it properly. Yeah. Whether we are in a monogamous relationship, we should be proud of the fact that we have sex with another.



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But but the thing is the thing about being gay here, let's not be mistaken, the thing about being gay is not all about sex. No, oh, no, no, no, no, no, no. Gay. And I've said this 1000 times and I'll probably say it 10 10,000 More gay people are special because other special reason that's right. We mentioned a Bracci where else can you find a better reformers in the world is a showman himself. But we



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act differently. You know, you can you can ask for all of the gay or the straight acting people you want and all of the ads. But but there is there there is a gay sensibility. There's a queer sensibility, right lesbian sensibility we have, we look at life differently. We have different goals in life. Well,



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I had I had somebody say to me, Jimmy, or that, that gay people, he liked to talk about his his stripe problems with gay people. And I asked him why. And he said, Well, gay people just seem to care. And you ask why. And I, and I just bluntly told him well, because gay people are special. And his answer to me to me was, I think you're right.



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Anyway, there's some there's been some sexual oriented business,



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new new laws. That's right. Yeah. The ones we've talked about



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down Boni and Helen here, we got together on did their bit,



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and the Houston City Council decided that yes, that would be a good thing to do. And, and part of this apparently, 100 page, new ordinance includes the specification, that there won't be any private rooms, no VIP rooms, no booths, that kind of thing. These these things are specified, there will be none of these things in sexually oriented businesses. So in reading that, and and I'm not embarrassed to sit here and say, been to a bath house a few times in my life. Yes. Been to a bath house a few times since I've been back in Houston. Yeah. And been to both in town since I've been back in Houston. I usually be



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an active member in all



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and both have have have. have wonderful facility. Yeah.



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And, and among those facilities are included private rooms, the vast majority of these places is private rooms. Yes. And so I thought it would be a good idea if maybe we could get a representative from each of the bath houses on tonight. And and talk about how they how they see their future with these new ordinances in place. Now, given the fact that that that this ordinance is probably going to be fought in the courts are very, very, very possibly going to lose based on based on freedom of speech. Hopefully,



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they will. Yeah.



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However, I thought it would be interesting to to get their point of view. Now. I called both told them who I was. And and, and talk to them a little bit both have pretty much the same story from both was that their bosses? had pretty much told them that if anybody was to ask them, that they were a health club, a gym?



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Well, that that is the way they have defined themselves the past 1015 years. Yeah, yeah. And and it's a survival mechanism, which



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I don't want to sound like him coming down on him for this is a bit ridiculous. Yeah. Yeah.



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I mean, if they're a health club, and why why don't they have women as members? Yeah. And why is there six inches of dust on all of the



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equipment? No, I do have to say that, that at least. I don't know that we should get into names here. Or you. Okay. But at the one with the green card. I, every time I'm there I at least see somebody using the those facilities, the gym facilities, and that's always sort of nice to watch. But, um, but at the one with the blue card. I'm not saying it doesn't happen. I'm just saying that. I rarely see that



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happen. Well, you know, it's it's,



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as I noticed, drives me



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crazy, because we should celebrate our sexuality.



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As a practicing nudist myself. I find a lot of problem with people who have a problem with the naked body. I just don't. I simply don't understand that at all. If you got a problem with it, then paint it over do something



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I have. I have known people who recognize that they had problems with nudity, and joined a nudist club To get over them. So yes.



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Well, I'm a member of news club, I have no problem when I Well, it's been a while since I've been to that task. But, but if I if I want to sit around and watch TV, in the lounge, nude, I do so and don't think anything about it. But, but but it is gay. And I don't see anything wrong with the human body.



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You know. And just recently in the past two months, there has been a huge controversy in Austin over the opening of a bathhouse. Can I



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understand that? Yes, I've been reading about that. It's especially in the triangle.



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And there's been a lot of gay people against it. Yeah.



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What their hang up is



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I'm trying to figure it out.



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I haven't seen an argument coming from those people at all, that would that will justify their stand. See,



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I would point out here and this I read in the Houston Chronicle some is before I left town, so it's probably about five years ago, an article in the Houston Chronicle about gay bathhouses No kidding. And that in this article, they pointed out that the the the ratio of people who were HIV positive, was much smaller in the bathhouse environment than in, in the general public.



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Let me tell you why. Because for the bathhouses, there are posters about safer sex condoms are available.



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And and everybody that that's going in there knows what they're going in there for we right. Yeah, you're going and it ain't going in there to build up your biceps.



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No, no, no. And we've got to face facts that people are going to have sex. Yeah. Now we have faced that fact, with bookstores, and, and bathhouses. Now, in the bookstores, you see much less information about safer sex true, and you have to hunt for condoms. Now, let me tell you who are in these bookstores. married man? Yes. gay man. Yes. But I mean, what? What would you rather have? It? I mean, if the person is going to have sex, would you rather have a place that has information on safer sex and condoms available? or someplace where you can't find them? Yeah. Well, not only that, but there's HIV screening. Yeah, kinds of wonderful things going on in bath houses. Yeah.



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Most of our gay youth today Jimmy probably know more about safe sex, how to protect himself than what most straight adults know. Because we win the gay community now What with 15 years or more, have been



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partying ourselves with information? Yeah,



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just been bombarding and. But it seems like the we have to do that. Time and time and time again. And, and we will if necessary.



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So that's, that's basically that that's basically okay. You know, I didn't I didn't want to, I didn't want to I don't want to really come down on the bathhouses I



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want to eat. I understand that. That a lot of this. Protective coloration is a survival instinct.



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Yeah. But, but,



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but they are performing a wonderful, wonderful. Let me run it. Yeah. For the gay can you.



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Let me run it through through to you again, here.



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Let me tell you what happened. I remember life before bathhouses, and you know what it was? It was public restroom. Oh, yeah. It was the woods Memorial Park. All of that kind of stuff. Yeah, but, but there was a lot more of it. Yeah. Yeah. And if you think you're gonna get safe stuff, safe sex information and condoms in Memorial



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Park, or, or in a bus, Asian restaurant, right. Well, so there so there and the other point I was gonna make was, you know, not only do you know what you're, you're going there for, you're not you're not just going there. expecting to have sex. You're going there X backing to have sex and planning to take care of, of your protection needs that as opposed to you pick a guy up and and I'm not saying one is better than the other. But you pick a guy up in a bar and and go home with him. Oops, no condoms.



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Well, when I first heard that city council was going to talk about sob. When the person told me that I asked him I said what the hell the City Council will talk about me for but anyway



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okay, we've got a we've got someone on line one who wants to talk about SOPs. Yeah, we



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do. We got we got Jay on line one, you there?



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Yeah, I'm here. First of all, yeah, I can kind of understand the bathhouses saying, you know, we don't want to be labeled in this way. Because, you know, let's face it, you know, who are these people in terms of the legislation coming down and saying, Oh, you are an SOB. Lard, you know,



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that whole labeling? Yeah. If they don't label themselves as an SOB, then they feel that they don't come under the ordinance.



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And you know, it's a self preservation thing. Like you pointed out earlier. The other thing that comes to mind is all of these things you've been pointing out, make all the sense in the world, which is probably and make too much sense, in a way because let's face it, Mr. And Mrs. whitebread, America find totally abhorrent. The very idea that people have any description or having any kind of sexual activity outside of, you know, preferably a marriage bed, but



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which of course, they deny us relative Of course, yeah, well, you



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know, it's rigged we all know that. But but the thing is, it's sometimes I guess, if you you know, live in a you know, in a community where that's more or less and accepted, you know, goes on all the time kind of thing. You lose track of the fact that you know, Mr. And Mrs. average voter there, this is like, Oh, my God, well, we can't let that go on. We've got to put a stop to that. Right. People just find this real offensive and the whole the whole aids and sexually transmitted

disease thing has just given them you know, a lighter fluid for the fire. Yeah, and I mean, this has all been fought in San Francisco and everything else, but as a matter of fact, I think it was Saturday Night Live. They actually mentioned the the new Houston ordinance against, you know, the lap dances and the host said, or as I prefer to think of it Nazi Germany. Yeah. So you know, it's getting some national attention. Well,



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York and San Francisco and I think LA have come full circle because they outlawed bath houses and sex clubs. And now they've come back around and now sex clubs and bath houses are sprouting up in cities, you.



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But remember, you've got Wong, you've got bony, you got the roach. You got Hughie? Does this bunch of people that that, that practice a holier than thou attitude? Well,



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sanctimonious posturing is what I hear. A lot of it is had it not come up, they probably would have been, for the most part willing to ignore it. But once it comes up, it's oh my god, we can't vote against God mom and apple pie. Right. You know, it's just a grandstanding, you know, a bunch of foolishness. And with any luck, the thing has been so narrowly drawn or broadly drawn, rather that hopefully, you know, we will get some relief in the courts. Yes.



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Now, uh, well, get it so absurd.



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What's going to happen in the meantime, you know, places are gonna get raided, people get pulled into jail. Oh, you're



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gonna make lots of money? Yes. Right.



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And do DOM Boney will not run will not be able to sit on city council after November. Well,



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perhaps we can make an alliance with the king. Would people somehow just run this whole bunch out?



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Yeah, that would be that'd be extraordinary. Because we need to replace all those positions at large positions also.



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Well, I think the really sad upshot of all this is that eventually there's going to be musical on Broadway Houston has a bath house in it. And it's just going to devolve. It's to be really Marvin's retired, right.



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There's another reason why I believe that this ordinance is going to be knocked down in the courts. And that's on that over that 1500 foot rule. They had a pass an ordinance, number of years back 750. And this new ordinance is not going to allow for a grandfather clause. On other words, making businesses that complied with the With the city ordinance and you say economic zones is going to say that they're illegal, the courts are going to tell them you cannot do that every time, regardless whether it's an SOB or any other kind of an ordinance that has been permissible before, where there is a business establishment, and the city decides that you're no longer going to be legal that as of day one, you're shut down. The courts have knocked those laws out. I mean, that's the most ridiculous thing. And I do not know what the city attorneys are doing at that time. But while that part of the ordinance was going up, but you know, it's the poisoned tree, the fruit of the poisoned tree, and that's what it's, that's what that's all about.



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Well, I was wanting to start a pet shop, because I heard cat houses were making a lot of money. But Marvin Zander don't like chickens and federal government don't like Mustangs. I wonder what they'll do with my dad out?



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Well, keep keep this in mind. Oh, oh, Frequenters. Of of, of s. O bees. It's, it's, it's pretty much assured it's gonna go to the courts. And what will probably happen is that when it first goes to court, the judge will say, Okay, so while we're making a decision on this, this ordinance is not taking effect. So yeah, it's supposed to take effect at 120 days, but but they really can't put it into effect while they're still deciding whether or not it's no, this



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will go on for years. years.



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No, no, it just comes back to the adult. Doesn't the city have far more pressing problems?



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We've already answered this means. I don't know how old you are. But if if you remember way back in the 60s with the zipper lounge, we went through all of this. You know, it was decided? Yeah,



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Jay, you're the you're the J from the Wildenstein. Oh, yeah. Yeah. Okay. That's what I thought. That's what I thought. I just I remember the last time not the last time we had Ray on but the last time I crawl out of the woodwork. I remember you called I remember you called. I'm not I'm not nearly as stupid as is everyone likes me.



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Well, thanks for calling.



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Well, you're welcome. I just hope we know we go somewhere with this. And Ray came in what fourth to know,



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I know.



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We haven't had a chance to talk about that yet.



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We're wanting to hear what he wants you and I'll keep listening.



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Okay. Thanks for calling. Thanks, Jay. Thanks, Jay.



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Bye, bye, bye.



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Yes, I was so disappointed. Ya know how it could possibly happen. I really thought that Ray had a good, good chance this time. I knew it was going to be a run off. But



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well, Jimmy, I was reading I just knew he was going to be I was reading in I was reading the triangle. I had read the voice and the TW T and and I could see really no, no on the map. And I could really see no open support for Ray.



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Yeah, they did kind of wait till the last for the LPC to get him. And that okay, yeah.



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These are publications we have in the city. And, and also outsmart and, and it is really sad. These publications cannot get their act together now. Well, of course.



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What about the gay population? I mean, yeah, that is gonna be very interested in seeing how how the percentage of Montrose people voting where I heard



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precinct 34 was pretty busy. Well, that's what I heard. I was loving. Yeah. And I heard that was pretty busy. Now I don't like the percentage also. But we need to support our, our own people.



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We do raise rates. We need one of our own at the time right



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here. It was very qualified to be on city council. Yes. Now Ray Hill and I have had our fights we've had him in public and we've had him in private and I know it but yeah, and I've been in but in the middle of it but but right he'll is qualified serve on city council. Yes. And I'm not ashamed to say I support right



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now and he can work yes with those people. He knows how it operates. Yes. And and that he is good at that.



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Yes. Very good. Very good at it. Anybody that will take a case all the way to Supreme Court twice and when it is that you're good enough to to sit on city councils and think in this city compared to what we have on there now. Honey, we ain't got nothing on there now. Jude on bone and now vixens go run



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and buddy buddy. Montrose again never ever never



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and and now diction is going to have run off with bail. Come on addiction is the buddy buddy to do Don Boni and he's telling gay people cool so didn't bony bony never army not. I never had a candidate lied to me so much as dude on Boehner now. I know. You know,



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we've been getting calls folks, and I really appreciate it. A George Michaels, who is a drag king,



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he won't let you down. Please don't give him up. No, no, no



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drag king. Oh, ha, ha.



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I was just doing some lyrics. George Michael lyrics and it was kind of juxtaposition of the George Michael name the George Michaels. And so continue on



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anyway. George thinks that we are doing a great job. Well, he's also wants to get give congratulations to Jamie Lennox, for winning three in a row. Now, I have no idea what this means.



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Jamie, one word from from Georgia and from all of us here.



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Congratulations, white.



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No, really?



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on what? Hey, if



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you want if you want three in a row, you go girl.



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That's yeah, we're happy



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with Houston. Enjoying the show tonight? Has a couple of really, really uplifting things to say. I never met anyone who regretted coming out. Absolutely. Absolutely. And number two, he was in a relationship for 22 years. Right on my lover died. And this one has lasted for seven years and is still going and growing strong.



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KU right on. Yeah. Very, very



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like that. And it takes special people. Yeah, it does to do. Yeah. And Scott called to say that today. I didn't even realize it. Today is Janis Joplin's birthday. Yeah,



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I didn't know that either.



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There was a celebration at the Civic Center in Port Arthur today.



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10th anniversary. 10th anniversary. birthday celebration that poor. They've been having it No kidding. I've been having this thing for 10 years now. I saw in the paper you're staying I said Damn. About that would be a blast. You. Port Arthur is still



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on the map.



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Oh, yeah. That's because Janice put them there. Yes, right.



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That's right. You know what's so sad. You know, it's so sad though, that during her life, they just

That's right. You know what's so sad. You know, it's so sad though, that during her life, they just really disowned her. Well.



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They've come around. You know, sometimes it takes that yeah, sometimes it takes them Yeah,



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well, we sure had a lot of Jimmy you had been working my girl a little fun month off tonight. See that? We've gotten a lot what



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else you got there, Jimmy?



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Lots of great calls. There's some of the things we want to talk about.



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Okay, we have Stacey on line one.



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Oh, we do. Do we will you do your part back now? I'm so sorry. Stacy.



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Stacy.



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Hello, Queenie. Hey, baby. Okay, get this. Yes. I'm looking at a program from World AIDS Day Memorial Service Sunday, December 1 1996. YWCA of Houston blue triangle and whatever. Miguel in St. Special words, Councilman Zhu Don Boney? What the hell does he know? If I remember he didn't even show up. I can't. There were so many people saying that you know, Jesus was the cure but whatever. That was, that was their way of celebrating. At least they did something. But what is this girl? I'm getting out in seven and a half men they can't and my path has got to be there when I'm out. I know it.



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Now this is uh, Stacy. I was talking about earlier in the show when Yeah, girl. Yeah, I was Bill.



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I don't know. I'm in another house. Okay. I'm in another house. I had to take them into bed and how I'm getting on my little sponsoring be nice.



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Ah, no, no, I'm really I'm serious about that.



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Who is this Curtis person? Kirk Kirk. Ever?



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You have crossed a line.



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I was gonna give you a compliment. But nevermind. Oh, no,



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no, I'm sorry. I'm sorry. Call me Curtis.



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And this Yeah, this time only okay. What are



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you doing in seven months? Oh,



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what am I doina in seven months?



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It'll be here honey.



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I'll be right here. I'll be sitting right behind us micro fabulous.



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because that will be to you know, I'm gonna have to get up there. Yes sometime soon. And when correction I grew up out where you did being and I grew up out in spring. Oh, and I went, like borderline humble with with a pink crew cat, it wasn't purple. It wasn't that.



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I remember you with purple hair. I'm



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sorry. When did you graduate? Stacy?



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Who did? Oh, sorry. It's okay. I'm not happy about it. I make more money than the people that didn't like me in school. So that's okay. And I'm in rehab. So fuck them all. I mean,



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I mean.



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Thank you, Stacey. I



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love you, darling. Take care.



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Okay, good night.



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Thanks. Thank you. Bye. Bye.



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I love Stacy. I love Stacy. And let's see, we were talking about Janice Weren't we? We were just so I'm gonna just put her in the background. Because we're getting close to the end of the show.



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Yeah, we are but before we go couple things. Yeah, I want to remind everybody about not particularly gay or lesbian, but Gosh, darn it. I've heard this is really good. And I plan on going and seeing this. The tragic and horrible life of the singing nun. Oh, yes. The was a lesbian. Yeah, yeah. Yeah. This is apparently a very campy version of of the story of the scene nun who had had her one hit many can you get naked? Right. That singing on apparently, Sister portrayal and Maria are also portrayed in the cast. And, and the mother superior I hear is just hysterical. is currently going on at theater lab runs through the 16th of February. Heard some wonderful things about it might want to get down there and see that. On a more gay note 20 Something Houston is a group for young adults ages 20 to 29 which would be a Yeah, right. addressing issues concerning bisexuals, lesbians and gay there are a caring, informative social and community oriented group coming together in a positive atmosphere to share, learn, encourage each other and create a safe environment that's conducive to personal growth. If you want some more information, you can give him a call at 3156786. That's 3156786. A little further down on the chronology scale. Chronology I actually used to work chronology this evening. Make a note of that hatch, Houston area teenager coalition of homeless homosexuals. It's a peer support group for teens and young adults. I know we've got a lot of young people who listen to the show. And if you need some friends just to talk to they don't really give out there meeting place it to the public, but if you'll give them a call, their number is area code 713-942-7002 And they will get back in touch with you and let you know what's going on. If you're fooling around on the internet, please be sure and check out [www dot USA gay net.com](http://www.dotUSAgay.net) There's a there's a mall there's a soap opera, there's some Personals and and a guide to an ever growing portion of the United States of America. For all things gay



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You have been listening to after hours per radio with attitude on KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station. Stay tuned for the BBC news coming up in just five seconds and after that will be the return to the sons of musical chairs with Billy Gilbert and Elmo and



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Randy Randy.



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Good night everyone. Good night.



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Yes, iRobot is about to enter the city for the first time since its occupation 30 years ago