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 Jimmy Carper 00:07

The following program contains some language or images of the brain more sensitive nature may be considered objectionable by some listener discretion is advised. Oh yes, you've tuned into after hours queer radio with attitude right here on KPFT Houston 90.1 FM. The crew of after hours is ready to bring you news interviews, dialogue and music geared for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people and their friends. Hear it after hours, we may be diverse, but we have one thing in common. We are all out of the closet and urge everyone to come out of their closets. That means standing up for yourself taking responsibility for your own life, and being proud of who you are. Realistically, we know not everyone can do that because of age job or frame of mind. That's okay, we're here for you too. So sit back, relax, and enjoy this week's edition of after hours. Hello, Houston and Galveston and the world and welcome to the Saturday May 22 edition of after hours. I'm Jimmy Carper. I'll be your co executive producer for the evening.

 Chris Harrison 02:23

And I'm Chris Harrison. The other one? Yes, he

 Jimmy Carper 02:25

is. And we've got a whole bunch of folks in the house. And was

 Chris Harrison 02:30

that funny look for Michael. I know where you were Michael's here. Someone's in my chair. Over here. Oh, oh, you

 Michael Williams 02:38

didn't have a mic to talk. Jenna, you need to turn my mic.

 Chris Harrison 02:41

Put change it from turntables.

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Sorry, Michael. The

 Chris Harrison 02:46

show in front of us plays the turntable. Unfortunately. That's mic too. Oh, well.

 Jimmy Carper 02:50

Okay. Anyway, before we go too far, I want to remind folks of the music that we play because it's from a brand new CD called hot and sweet out music compilation CD. I played this last week. Something from this I mean, there's 19 cuts. And when I go go through a CD, looking for stuff to play on the air I highlighted in pink, Michael? Yes. How many are not highlighted in pink one. And it's not because I don't like the artists that's because I'm not too fond of that particular song. Is is a fantastic CD hot and sweet. And you can get it how how? By going to out music, w cubed out music.com.

 Chris Harrison 03:46

And we do have another way don't we?

 Jimmy Carper 03:49

We sure do. Because this is membership drive. But before we get to that I wanted to tell them what I played before forget. That was Yolanda from Yolanda and the plastic family doing freedom which is a great song for what's coming up next month and next month is damn near here. This month has five Saturdays anything like partner Bert hair, it's pertinent here. This month happens every Saturday. So you know that means that means that JD Doyle is going to be here next week, bringing you all kinds of good queer music that you don't normally hear. Because he has a collection that is far that far outweighs mine. Plus, he has been on top of the out Music Awards group going on.

 Chris Harrison 04:41

I behave in there Bobby What's it What's that award shape? Like so we know how I am



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careful careful.



c Chris Harrison 04:50

I can see being on top of the Oscar I guess no, this is like the Grammys gonna hurt. This is like



J Jimmy Carper 04:56

this is like the Grammys for queer music I put on buy out music, which is a computer List of artists and DJs and people interested in queer music. That's coming up next month, JD will attend that in New York. So he's going to be bringing in a lot of music from people who have been nominated. You know, for all the all the different categories best male versus female, best song best in whatever and



c Chris Harrison 05:26

the kind of music that you're only going to hear on this show. queer voices, you



J Jimmy Carper 05:30

bet. You bet. In fact, you're gonna hear a lot more of it on this show next week, because we're going to be able to devote a lot more time to it. He's going to go and he's going to be there at the award ceremony. He goes every year, and he'll be taping it and he'll be having interviews with all the winners and all the runner ups and all that kind of good stuff. And also to remind you that next week, I believe is the fourth Monday of the month. That would mean that it's time for JD Doyle's queer music heritage heard the second half of lesbian and gay voices. No queer voices. You know, God, you know, the memory just



c Chris Harrison 06:15

next Monday. This past Monday was the fourth Oh, next next Monday is Memorial Day. Okay, make sense. Next Monday



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is Memorial Day nights the 22nd Hold on



c Chris Harrison 06:30

I'm sorry. Scratch that Jimmy was right.

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Oh my god. Chris was wrong.

⌚ C Chris Harrison 06:37

Ladies and gentlemen, one of those moments in hell in radio history.

⌚ J Jimmy Carper 06:40

I mark your calendars Chris was right. Thank

⌚ C Chris Harrison 06:43

God big Roy's not here. I've never heard the end of it.

⌚ J Jimmy Carper 06:45

Yeah, you're you're right. Anyways, music every fourth Monday on queer voices heard eight to 10 every Monday evening, right here on KPFT. And they will also be in the middle of well on their last night of membership drive as we are tonight. And I've got to tell you folks pissed off.

⌚ C Chris Harrison 07:13

Yeah, but you're talking about being pissed on until the leather show.

⌚ J Jimmy Carper 07:16

Yeah. Okay. Well, that comes up later matches first and then them. Also awaiting master Steven, who is supposed to come in and talk about the upcoming contest in Florida that he's going to attend. He's, too. He's at the ripcord right now. raising funds for his first travel fund by doing chair massage. Don't say it, Chris. And

⌚ C Chris Harrison 07:45

this bad reputation.

⌚ J Jimmy Carper 07:46

 Jimmy Carper 07:40

Use your data with good reason. And where was where was I going with this? Oh, no, no. And so leather will be the second half.

 Chris Harrison 07:59

But the fact is this we have oh, we have goals? We sure

 Jimmy Carper 08:02

do. I'm pissed off because last week, we have goals and last week we got about a half of our goal. And most of that was due to a very generous regular contributor regular contributor. And and that you know, and so we need to we need to really get the money in tonight folks that 713-526-5738 Last night last week I was kind of easy. You know, we were called you know we we opened the show we talked a little bit about it. We went on with the show, but we're gonna have to really do it tonight because we need the money the show has been around a long time. We need to prove to management that we they need to keep this show. After all, this is one of the longest not only running shows but longest shows on KPFT Yes, the longest being patent Rosie's night sounds, which is a five hour show. This is a four hour show. I don't know of are there any other four hour shows?

 Chris Harrison 09:09

I don't think so. I don't think so. We gotta know thank you probably got a programming

 Jimmy Carper 09:15

note. So the management has given us a lot more time because this show is kind of a microcosm of our community. It covers everyone. It's kind of, I don't know 1012 shows all in one because we cover different aspects of the community. We we have eight different segments per month, covering different aspects with representatives of those folks, bringing you the news and the ideas and the questions and everything that they have.

 Chris Harrison 09:54

I mean, there's there's several shows, you know, have three hours there's a lot of the three hour blocks but we are We're one of the big blocks we've had here. We're the biggest show on Saturday, we take up the most time, we've been here for 16 years. And, you

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know, yes, we have 16 and a half 16 heavier. As a matter of

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Chris Harrison 10:14

fact, you know, we talked about last week that, you know, we didn't want to go and we didn't want to interrupt the show, we didn't want to do, like, you know, some of our fellow programs, we don't want to, we don't want to be like, we don't want to be like the the PBS television. Hey,

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Jimmy Carper 10:26

were you over the head. Because, you know, we don't like to, to have to have yammer on about this. And the fact

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Chris Harrison 10:34

is, you know, you know, the type of programming that we do here, you know, the type of show we do on here. We don't come to you, but what, three times a year, and we ask for your your pledge of support. We're not I mean, we just you know, if enough people just give it the \$35 level, it shows management, there's people out there listening, yes. Because he, we don't subscribe to Arbitron. So the only way that we really know that there's people out there listening to us in the free world, is by your donations and the fact that you know, we're starting off this show with hatch. And that's a group that we really talk about that we are even when we're not doing a hatch specific show, the fact that we're giving to the teenage community out there who's queer and queer questioning, giving them an outlet to see, hey, there's other people in society. And they're not alone. And people understand what they're going through and give them a positive spin. Yes. And that's the important thing. That sure is our MB bees that are out there that are listening to the show, this is the only outlet that they get, yeah, to people who respect and can understand them and appreciate the fact of what they do for the show. I mean, the the support that they give us with, you know, the stories, the articles that these these guys do, they devour this show, and you know, they can't participate in there. There's the the teenagers that are physically sitting in a closet tonight listening on a Walkman.

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Jimmy Carper 12:02

And there's especially tonight because as soon as we shut up the hatch segment,

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Chris Harrison 12:07

fact that the this gives an opportunity for these people out there who they can't contribute financially. But there's people out there who can't and I know times are tough. I know. I mean, gas prices are through the roof expenses. I mean, people are getting less money, they're working harder for less money. And you know, you can decide on what side of the political spectrum you want to blame it on. Just blame it on the whole city of Washington, DC and Austin, Texas, that's fine. But the fact is that that we are a valuable entity to a lot of people out there. And if there's any way that you can help, we need to be able to show people that this is something viable for watching here is organization after organization is talking about getting less money from the government less money from contributors, places are talking about

shackling up the doors and shuttering up and saying you know, we can't afford to run anymore. And that's something we don't want for KPFT that's something we don't want here for after hours. That

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Jimmy Carper 13:09

number is 7135265738713 Jam KP ft. And I also want to stress before we shut up and do some other things here. You get eight separate segments per month, showcasing different aspects of this community. You get music that's not played anywhere else, except for queer voices. You're that's it in the whole city of Houston. That's the only two places you're going to find it. We have a roundtable that is becoming very, very popular at the three o'clock hour where we have our regulars come in and give divergent views about current issues what's going on. And you know, and just have fun

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Michael Williams 14:03

and you know, with Houston Vienna number five radio major market in the United States, Houston alone, just us there's no other radio station in a number five market now that has a gay radio show in Houston. Pacifica radio 90.1 is the only station Yeah, and we not only have one, but we have actually three, three, gay related. I mean, we have ours. We have Jack Wolinsky show. And then we have the esoteric adventures that you deal with

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Chris Harrison 14:27

which they don't they don't claim to be gay. Well, I

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do. I mean, are on gay. Yeah.

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Chris Harrison 14:32

But I mean, the fact is this for specifically queer programming, we get six hours. Yeah. Now think about this. There are 30 Plus radio stations in Houston broadcasting 24 hours a day. Yeah. The number of hours it comes down to less than 1/10 of 1% of the radio signal that's broadcast in Houston, Texas per week. Yeah, is gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered positive broadcasting and you know, That's less than the 1% that Pat Roberts gives us. It's less than less than the 10% that we claim. Yep, I agree. And this is this is the part of what we're looking at. Now.

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Jimmy Carper 15:11

For your pledge of support, we have lovely parting gifts. That the Vanna whites on the other end of the phone will tell you about. Also, if you want to pledge \$50 on plastic, we've got two

different CDs that were choice, your choice. I've got a copy of the hot and sweet out music compilation CD that we were just talking about. And we've got Melissa Etheridge is brand new CD lucky. She was in town last week, and it was just so hot.

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Michael Williams 15:46

And if they call in now we'll also throw in an autographed magazine cover by circuit DJ Joe gets row which is in town tonight it reaches. So we've got a few copies of those to give away as well autographed. So we've got some autographed stuff to give away as well.

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Jimmy Carper 16:04

713-526-5738. Now I do have to tell you about a few things going on in the community. On Sunday, Sunday, Sunday, May 23. That's like after you go to bed tonight. And we get to the fourth Sunday history series for Gulf Coast archive and museum of gay lesbian, bisexual and transgender history Inc, also known as chi Kham. We're presenting Sarah dipalma, who's going to be talking about her life. And the organization she's been involved with this fourth Sunday history series is geared to to collect oral histories of organizations and people in this community. We do it once a month, and we get the video camera out. If anybody wants to show up at the museum. Fine. You're perfectly welcome. You'll you'll learn a lot you can ask them questions you won't be on camera. It's just for Sarah, our who's ever been being presented. Sara has she went to a&m She started at she went to a&m as a male. Yes, she started the help start the first gate group there. She then got married to a woman and had children. A daughter I believe and then then came out, back out as gay. Had a male lover then realized all this all the confusion from gay to straight to gay. And she finally hit her that she was transgendered. And so she has transitioned and living a wonderful life. And she is also going to join us again, as a very good host of the transgender segment every second Saturday, alternating with Vanessa Edwards Jones, Edward Foster. Saturday May 29, tune into after hours to hear more directly from the cast about the benefit performance at theater, suburbia. So there's going to be a benefit there going on in the month of June. Listen in next week, Wednesday, June, the second, third and fourth. This is important folks, the Holocaust Museum. We are getting volunteers to uncrate and set up a special exhibit for June, which includes a lot of gay material. Oh, very nice. For the for it for for June. Because

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Chris Harrison 18:49

I know there was a lot of controversy with some Holocaust museums of how to commemorate the gay influence. Yes, let alone then just just the fact of the Jewish that's right portion of the Holocaust of anyone, I'm afraid of the non Jewish portion but then let alone to put any sort of emphasis on the gay and then to do that for Pride Month. That's a special tribute and honor.

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Jimmy Carper 19:10

Judy has been taught in talking to people since before Christmas about this, getting its help getting it organized and get in fact, believe was Bruce Reese, who made the call getting this exhibit to Houston. It was his initial call that sparked interest. And then we're there's going to

be a special preview June the 10th. That's the night before it officially opens gays in the Holocaust cost exhibit at the Holocaust Museum by invitation only gkm is an official sponsor of this event. And we'll be talking about some other things coming on later in the month now. The court report is a little slim tonight. The ich group is going to be doing their cleanup tomorrow morning at 1030. And at over at Mary's cleanup, they have I see our wage impure recorded, Houston has adopted a block. Okay, and it's right there at chances.

 Chris Harrison 20:22

I thought I thought it was like, you know, every month they had to be able to scrape the makeup off and they had a big party for the chisels, you know? Sandblasting Oh, they'd be screaming.

 Jimmy Carper 20:33

That's right. And then of course, I see a race will be bartending at Mary's at 4pm. And next Friday, May 28 is Regina Danes birthday show 830 at EJ so that's a benefit for rain too. And I'm saving this hat, the hatch prom information because the guys are going to be here in just a moment. On Saturday, June the fifth at rights cinema. You are cordially invited to attend the only Houston screening of Margaret shows revolution. Tickets will be available at the door for five bucks. And this is being sponsored co sponsored by the Houston game lesbian Film Festival,

 Chris Harrison 21:20

the rice Media Center if you've never been to it, it's a it's a nice little theater. It is very nice. Like maybe 100 seats and you know they're comfortable seats or the older seats. So that makes it that makes them more comfortable. Then, you know, the stadium seating and all that real small, intimate venue.

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We got our first pledge. We got our first pledge. All right here. Do we have to thank Brian, Brian, thank

 Jimmy Carper 21:41

you very much, Brian and Brian has now become a member of KPFT something that we forgot to see a

 Chris Harrison 21:49

new member is that

J Jimmy Carper 21:51
yes, he is a new member.

C Chris Harrison 21:52
We are glad to take someone's radio virginity because

J Jimmy Carper 21:54
we are we're also doing this kind of experiment in radio democracy. Brian is now eligible to vote for a Local Station Board members when they come up for

C Chris Harrison 22:10
for the elections coming up next year. It's coming up. I mean, the fact is, you know, this is the first time you get to vote for the people who are running the course of this network, the five station Pacifica network, and the local board sends representatives to the national board, and it kind of decides the vision and where we're heading as a as a tire entity, and also how we run as a station. Yes, the fact of you know, where where do we want this? This experiments of about 43 year old experiment. So yeah, that I mean, and that's what we That's why we need people to call in their pledge. 7135265738713526

J Jimmy Carper 22:47
KPFA Are you okay? The South East Texas legal clinic advocacy for people living with HIV AIDS. Their first annual Everything Must Go auction will be held on Thursday, June 17. From six until 10pm at keystore event complex at 3209 Montrose Boulevard there's a ticket price of five bucks, but there's going to be a whole lot of good stuff to bid on an auction and that kind of thing. You know, when they're giving you stuff it's you don't mind you know spending a little money. Yes, got it nice. And it's going for a good cause. That comes from Brian Keever All About Town bond of evil. And we don't let's not leave the women out. The whip society women in power is having a lazy Sunday afternoon backyard garden party at Mary's on May the 30th. Sunday May the 30th. That's next sunday from five until 8pm. And we'll be talking more about that next week. And let's just get now to something that Michael brought in. Go ahead and play what you got here because I want to talk about it play didn't get hatch hatch on

M Michael Williams 24:09
Okay, well KPFT once again is added we've planned a massive Gay Pride event and I'm gonna let the promo go ahead and start so go ahead and play the promo and I'm pretty sure we'll go into it so go ahead play that promo Okay, here it is the first of June 2016 Are you looking to get good?



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KPFT radio and 15 local businesses will kick off the largest after Pride Parade party The South has ever seen a cry with a live broadcast from the South Beach Jr's mining company complex located in the heart of Montrose Pacifica grants with a live broadcast. Come join us as we transform the club district into our playground for the night. Be a part of live radio you're so good laid After pride with us and all the other hotties as an estimated 300,000 people flood the area for this year's biggest celebration. It's gay pride 2004 For more information call 713529 Sobe or check out the website at South Beach the nightclub.com they'll get laid after Pride. Pride 2004 Okay, now



C Chris Harrison 25:25

you turn my mic off.



M Michael Williams 25:27

That'll be number one. Okay, so basically that event is what we're working at. We've got about 15 local companies, starting with DJ Mark D Roadhouse entertainment coffee.com Blue Team, Hollywood restaurant Hollywood cafe, the mortgage associated Texas, Houston Invitational Tournament que video StateFarm gay and lesbian rainbow pages the Center for AIDS, Marisa entertainment, AIDS Foundation, Houston and of course the Jr's barn grill, South Beach and the mining company complex. What we're going to do is on June 26 2004, following gay pride 2004 parade yes, we're gonna be live at the South Beach complex and that's located at 800 grant yesterday and we're gonna be live there I met with the owner last night Charles and we walked through the complex we were going to set up a big 10 in the parking lot Oh, nice. They're gonna bring in the Babylon Tour The following night. So we're gonna have of course tickets to give away Robert grants gonna be live on the radio with



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Grant.



M Michael Williams 26:23

We've also got HPDs very own chief of police coming in. Yeah, his name is Robert Hurt. Renee Phelps is Renee felts with our KPFT news department is gonna be interviewing him on the air, he'll be live here. I also want to go into just a lot of the organism, organizational teams that I've been putting for we've been working on this for about three months. Now, this event is going to be absolutely massive. Not everybody that just tuned in. Gay Pride brings in about 300,000 people into that little corner of Montrose and Westheimer. So it's going to be a massive event. So we want to invite everybody to come out to our events, everybody's gonna be in the area anyway. So park your car, go to gay pride. And then we want you to track your little feet on over to Charles Armstrong's clubs. That's where we're going to be South Beach live in the

parking lot between South Beach and Jr's and of course you don't have to be of age you don't have to go into clubs any ages as welcome can come in and hang out with us right there in the parking lot. That's where our mobile studio is going to be set up. Hey, if

 Chris Harrison 27:21

the protesters want to show up to come along,

 Michael Williams 27:23

the protesters are more than welcome all the bible thumpers anybody that want to come, y'all come on out hanging

 Chris Harrison 27:29

up the Bible in the background, we need a good bass speaker.

 Michael Williams 27:33

Also, I want to tell y'all that for the first time ever, we're there's going to be an official pride soundtrack. It's for KPFT Mark D is going to do it for us. It's gonna there's gonna be about 1500 CDs that go out. And basically what it will have on it is all the hits all the gay hits, and it'll, it'll have our logo, the get laid party on the front of it. And basically that's our lovely hibiscus Yeah, and basically Kpf TS post Pride Parade broadcast party is with the name of the event. And if you heard the logo, I mean, the promo get laid, what we're talking about there is it's an official pride party we want everybody to come out at our theme is Hawaii. So everybody's gonna get a lay, you know, so every we want everybody to get laid at the door. This is absolutely great. And, of course, you'll be able to check out any of that information on the website at WWW dot South Beach, the nightclub.com or you can come to our very own kpft.org and check it out. Or you'll be able to hear numerous things about it on the radio. But throughout the show, we've got plenty of things to give away for us tonight and I'm pretty sure hatch will have been given away some of this stuff as well. Yeah, and I guess they're up next. Okay, so make sure y'all keep listening for more information to come more VIPs to become available for

 Jimmy Carper 28:47

this I know these guys are panting we're waiting to their panting but I wanted to say thank you to Janice who is a renewing member who decided to pick up on that hot and sweet CD. We were we were putting in we were talking about so I'm gonna get that right after

 Michael Williams 29:09

let me let me do some my hair. Last night I was at Montrose mining company for their 26th anniversary party. And Jake I don't know what no how do you how do you say that last name?

Jake G he was in the movie The bouncer and it wasn't actually a PG rated movie.



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Oh, Jake G Anneli



Michael Williams 29:28

che Gianelli, he wrote me an autograph pitcher. And so I told him I would say thank you on the air and he's a pretty big hottie. And you should have seen his butt but so I wanted to say thank you for that. And also going on tonight is white dreams at riches with Joe guts row that's going on tonight. So y'all just stay tuned to hatch because they're gonna give away some tickets for this event. And then there's also an after our spoil boys party called Eibach going on as well. Stay tuned again, perhaps they're gonna give away some tickets. Okay,



Jimmy Carper 30:00

Dennis, thank you very much. And I'm gonna get that CD out to do my own. So I want to thank Paul, who comes through every single membership drive for us. So he is definitely a renewing member. Thank you very much, Paul. And Richard, who was a new member



Chris Harrison 30:22

got two virgins, we virgins.



Jimmy Carper 30:23

That is so cool.



Michael Williams 30:25

This is absolutely fabulous merging word turning.



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Tell me about Richard.



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Richard said, tell you how much he appreciates. KPFT off being on the air, and how much he enjoys our show. He made his pledge of \$50, of course, wanted us to say thank you on the year, we have accomplished that you want to say. We've helped them get one of course,

whatever.

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Michael Williams 30:50

You know what I was just getting

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the Melissa CD. That sounds great. You know, I'm

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Michael Williams 30:53

thinking you know, there's a lot of good looking guys here in our studio. And I'm thinking you know, if somebody calls in and donates like 100 to \$150, the best looking guy on our show, we'll go out on a date with him. I think that's a good idea. \$150 Why not?

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I'm already married. I can't go. I mean, why?

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Michael Williams 31:13

Robert is single Robert can go. Dollars. Robert will go to dinner with somebody. So y'all give us say that. Michael? Michael Doyle may be listening. I forgot about him. But I think that's a good idea. I tell you what, if somebody calls and donates \$200 I don't care who they are. I'll go on a date with them. Oh, right. For \$200. Y'all can have me 7135 to six KPFT. Now there are limitations to that.

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Let me clarify.

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Chris Harrison 31:45

Okay, Michael, wonderful offer is let's head towards the PG section here. I mean, the poor hatch rep here is blushing and bumped his head on the table about three times already. So Oh,

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one more thing, only one more. One more thing before we get to hatch BK we're

 Chris Harrison 32:00

not cutting your short you'll get to

 Jimmy Carper 32:02

know about the Margaret Cho thing that we're talking about. That is her film at revolution. And it is going to be the only Houston screening is Saturday, June the fifth. That's at 7pm at Rice cinema. Tickets will be available at the door for \$5. Free admission to this event for all these thin gay and lesbian Film Festival members. proceeds benefit the Houston gay and lesbian Film Festival. For more information. You could go to W cubed dot h GL F F dot O R G. That's the use of the gay lesbian Film Festival, H GLF f.org. And wow, that's, that's so cool. I'm gonna do that. It's time for action. Okay. And pull down that background music sounds good to me. Okay, and turn the mics over and get the hell out of this studio and let them have it.

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Hello, everyone. This is Brian. I'm Brendon. Yes, Brendan's are a wonderful facilitator that always shows up to our radio shows. And it's great for him. Yeah. Well, our topic tonight is the rise of the gay family. And there was an article about it in US News and World Report recently. And so we're gonna be talking about that. Yeah, and

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I heard something on the radio the other day that said the Census Bureau, from from 2000 had ranked gay couples, based upon those same sex roommates living together that indicated that they were married couples course the census doesn't ask you if you're gay or not. Right. But they did come up with a way of maybe determining how many of those households in America might be gay couples living together? Yes.

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And this article covers that. Also, interestingly enough, it lists the top 10 states for where gay parents are, you know, exist or are most likely to settle. And Mississippi is number one,

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you know, that's surprising. I never would have guessed Mississippi.

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Yeah, there's a lot of states in the South that are that are very highly ranked. Texas is number seven. And Alabama is number six. Louisiana is number five and South Carolina is number four, and their own south.



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What's two and three? Two



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and Three. Two is South Dakota and three is Alaska.



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Hmm. I can kind of see Alaska I guess. Do they did they indicate why that was? Or? I'm because I would have I would have gotten New York, California Seattle, Washington. Exactly.



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You know, I would have thought I would have thought those are those places that are more liberal than Yeah. Even though for the Hass, it prohibits adoption by gay individuals or couples, right, and so but still, I would have thought that the places that were slightly more liberal in general would tend to have, you know, those kinds of rankings. But interestingly enough, none of California, New York, Pennsylvania or Florida are on the top 10 list.



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How did they define gay families?



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I'm not sure it says over the past few decades, some states have granted second parent adoption rights



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to gay couples. And, you know, it just says, the sources are the Human Rights Campaign, National Gay and Lesbian Taskforce, and the urban Institute's gay and lesbian Atlas.



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Well, you know, I think the definition of gay families would include any member of the household that's gay for heterosexual couples, or married couples that have a gay child, I would consider that be a gay family. Right? So I'm wondering if they, I would assume they're

probably talking about a two men or two women who are raising a child, right?



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I think you're talking about it is tucked in states where gay couples are most likely to have children, relative to all gay couples in rank order. It's what it claims. So but, you know, I just thought that Mississippi and Louisiana and Alabama and South Carolina are sort of weird states to have a large amount of gay families. That's interesting. But it's, that's what it is.



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You know, I know, there's been a push in, in different states to limit adoption rights by gay couples or gay parents. And that really is a shame. Because I believe, and I can't quote, specific research, but I believe what the studies have shown is that stable families, regardless of sexual orientation, creates healthy environments for children to live, right. And that really is a shame, because I think it shouldn't matter what gender your parents are, as long as they're loving, supportive, and they're able to provide a good healthy home. Right. And that doesn't, that being of the same sex couple doesn't preclude being good family or writing good



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family or having good values or any of that, you know, there are lots of wonderful people out there with, you know, that are gay, that have great values. And there are some that don't, and there are straight couples that have good values, and they're straight couples that don't so I mean, it's not, you know, there's no connection there. Right.



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And I know that some studies have been done to indicate that children of gay couples or lesbian couples are no more likely to turn out gay than they are in the general population from, from heterosexual parents are. And it amazes me that public policy isn't driven more by research and science, because research clearly indicates that that's not a factor, right? And the way kids will orientate or their sexual orientation, it's not a predictor at all, whether or not there'll be gay or straight or whatever, and that gay parents can make loving healthy homes. Absolutely. And it's such a shame that, that people who are the powers that be tend to ignore information like that, and their prejudices seem to drive their public policy. It's, it's a shame.



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Well, the article also goes on to say that, that children of gay couples are more likely to, to not have rigid gender stereotypes they're not, they're not inclined to, to feel that men have to act a certain way. And women have to act in another one right there. They're also more inclined, you know, they're more inclined to say, well, these are people and they act, you know, this person acts a certain way this person acts certain way, rather than all people that are male act a certain way, you know, right or female. You know, I think



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parenting, the trend in parenting as a whole is moving more toward that direction. Yes. And I think maybe gay parents may be more sensitive to that, probably. But I do think the trend is more to allowing. If a little boy wants to play with a doll, it's okay. If he wants to play house or kitchen or whatever, and the Play School, then that's alright. That's not necessarily a bad thing. And I don't think that's an indicator of whether or not someone's going to be gay or straight or whatever. Of course, I don't know, I could be wrong about that. Yeah. You know, kids should be allowed to do what play you know, bright kids well as as a young adult, Brian, is do you have in your future? Or do you think that someday you might want to have a kid or raise a kid?



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Possibly, possibly just one, possibly no kids? I'm not that big fan of little kids, but, you know, maybe maybe a doctor teenager or something? Someone difficult. As a challenge. You know, that's,



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that's just as important. I think, you know, one of the two of the facilitators that volunteered for hatch a couple years ago. Have a foster kid that they're adopting I know that they were they were foster parents. And they had a youth that they had into their home. And they were in the process of adopting. And, you know, because there's a lot of kids out there, especially teenagers and an older kids that, that need foster care. Right. And, you know, if a kid is a gay youth, then, you know, there are challenges that go with that, and having positive, healthy, safe, gay role models is important. So, you know, and that's something that I would I think that the public policy regarding that needs to shift to, it's really, it's really encouraging to know that that can happen here in Texas. But it should happen more often, I think. And, you know, what would you do if if, say, a lesbian couple or lesbian friend came to you and said, Someday me, I'm talking in the future,



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that they may want to have you or to be the parent to be the father, you know, the



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wheeling Grace had the episode where we'll was going to artificially, or Grace was going to be artificially inseminated. You know, what would you do in a situation like



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that? I'd have to think about it, but I don't see why I couldn't, you know, contribute, if they said, you know, we want you know, especially when we're going to be, especially where we're loving

you know, we want you know, especially when we're going to be, especially where we're living home, I don't see, you know, why? Why would be why wouldn't participate? You



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know, I didn't mention in the article, how the gay families came about, I mean, is is a situation where a lesbian couple asked a friend to to be the father, I guess, the sperm donor, or what was it one that the, the man or the woman had brought a child into the relationship?



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I think there's one where the, where they brought into or the parent brought into the relationship, but I think the others are all adoption, right? So we, I mean, which is always possible via Microsoft, so it's always viable. Right?



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I wonder, do you do you know, what the Texas law is regarding gay couples adopting?



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Well, here, it says it's this, that Texas permits, second parented options, only certain counties by a lower court ruling, so probably be a state district court ruling or something like that. Plus



Chris Harrison 42:34

a plus, a lot of that's going to change. Some of those things have been applied to since orange v. Texas, because one argument that was used against gay adoption was tight, you know, these are people who are not just living in sin, but you know, they're living illegally, right, conducting an illegal activity. So now that we've got Lawrence v. Texas trickling down, that is not illegal to be gay. And you have people going off to Massachusetts, and coming back with those little fancy pieces of paper, right? That also throws a crooked kind of monkey wrench into the works, because they're legally defined as a married couple, it's no longer you know, a couple of single people decided they want to adopt some child. Right,



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which I think is great. You know, now that you mentioned it, if, if any of you have seen the I think it's the Houston, the Houston voice, or maybe it's a triangle, I don't remember, but there is a lesbian couple that had just gotten through going through the marriage ceremony in Massachusetts, and they were coming out of the ceremony and there was the picture shows them celebrating, and it it truly captures 100% pure joy on the on these people's faces. And

Deb, the director of hatch commented on that, and, you know, I took a look at the picture, and it was really a great picture. I mean, you see, just just joy on these people's faces and, and just happiness, it was it's a great shot, if you haven't seen it, it, it's a picture worth looking at.



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It is definitely, I mean, you know, there's people went Massachusetts, you know, even though and they applied for marriage license, even though they couldn't, you know, it wasn't legally recognized and in Texas, but, you know, part of marriage is saying to the other person and to yourself and to society in general, that, that we care enough about each other to, to be committed to each other, hopefully, to death, you know, sometimes divorce ends that but, right.



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But, you know, it's it's recognition, being allowed to, to be whoever you are, and have the same rights as everyone else. It's an important thing. Yeah. You know, I think among youth that those high schools that have gay straight alliances, I mean, that's an important thing. Yes. For that since since a signal that I think isn't important, right for youth to feel like they're there, their recognize they're there, they're not less or more than anyone else that that, that their school supports them. Right. I think that's important. And I think schools that have gay straight alliances, typically the administration is, is more friendly and more protective perhaps of right of gay youth. And, and I would like to think less harassment takes place and in schools like that, maybe not in the beginning, but I think the longer they're in place, I think those things begin to become easier,



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right? You know, it says that it says that we some of the students there are not going to take harassment, or they're not going to give it or they're not going to allow it to happen with them, you know, with them around. And that's, that's the important thing that people say, you know, this is not okay, you know, the to discriminate against people say evil things about people. You know, if I said something derogatory about an African American, or about a Jew, then, you know, I would have gotten no, I would, I would still get trumped on all the time, because that would be totally inappropriate, right. But somehow, it's acceptable to say, evil things about gays. Right? And that's not right.



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Right. Right. And, you know, some I've heard word, some schools even discontinue all student organizations because of the danger of having or having to be forced to allow gay straight alliances, the danger



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In their mind is another

in their mind in quotes.

 Chris Harrison 46:33

Well, yeah, I'm a graduate of the school that had the, the big issue couple years ago here, Klein High School. Oh, yeah. You know, this is a suburban Well, to do school. I mean, some of the students, students that went to that school, we're from the, the middle class neighborhoods, like I was in, up to people who lived in houses that are worth a million plus, right. And everyone got their panties in a bunch, because, you know, some student wanted to put a gay Student Alliance in, at the school. And one of the first arguments they came out with, that they were trying to petition the state to say that you can't do it is any organization that would be promoting something illegal? Right, right. And, you know, this

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this Lawrence case, I mean, it's so important, it's so monumental, and, and, and can really reverberate throughout the whole community, and in areas that I think people are just beginning to realize,

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definitely. And,

 Chris Harrison 47:28

you know, the fact of, you know, having so much of an issue, they're in a well to do suburban school setting where you think people would be a little more world savvy? Yeah. To have all the issues they had out there of opening up people's minds. And, you know, a lot of a lot of the people at the school are very narrow minded. I mean, I can speak from experience, like I said, of being a former student there, I graduated from Kline High School and the mentality that was there. And you know, some of the administrators that are there today are ones that I had, back when I graduated 14 years ago, that are still around. And that's sort of that's the sad part you get with some of these schools, right, is that you have such this traditional mindset, still, we don't have the new blood coming in of you know, with this new world. It's Ozzie and Harriet aren't around anymore. You know, when they brought back Leave It to Beaver even he was divorced. So, but I mean, I mean, gay adoption is one of the big topics of everyone's, I mean, that really hit the forefront about a year and a half ago with Rosie O'Donnell's case. Right? Yes. And, you know, it's kind of exploded now even. Actually, it's, I guess, in a way, it's kind of taking a step back, because now everyone's talking about marriage. And, you know, the fact of the marriage, whoever is going to be able to maybe help facilitate getting that adoption paper in. Right.

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Yeah. You know, gay, gay marriage just kind of just kind of happened in terms of the putting it in the forefront of the gay I guess, if there is a gay agenda, people use that in such a negative

context. But you know, because there's other issues out there. I mean, there's the non discriminatory end. Right. There is gay adoption. There's strengthening hate crimes legislation in the States. And, you know, there's a lot of issues out there that are important. And with the court case, regarding gay marriage that kind of put that on the front page of concerns, you know, within the gay community and what we can accomplish,

 Chris Harrison 49:35

because it was a foot in the door. Right, right.



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And, you know, it's one of those things, I guess that it has to do with timing and opportunity. So I wonder, do you do you think that what do you guys think is America ready for for gay marriage?



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I really wouldn't know. I mean, but I think that I think that America is ready for it. I mean, I think it will take For many, many years, or hopefully not many, many years, hopefully, just many years before, before all the states allow it, just like they allowed interracial marriages. Up until recently, Alabama didn't even allow interracial Americans their constitution prohibited that. You have to like, you know, and it's just up to like five



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or six years ago, and don't tell a Bama they're in the top 10 For for gay marriage couples.



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Yes. And, and also, you know, certain counties in their state permit, permit second parent adoptions. And it's just, I think that, you know, Massachusetts doing this is so important, because it says, you know, we're going to recognize that two people care for each other. And it's, you know, all it is, is it's a legal document, you know, no church has been said, you know, no church has has to marry two people if they don't want to. It's, I mean, totally, there's a difference between the secular marriage and the religious marriage, right.



Chris Harrison 50:56

And that, as part of the thing with a lot of people are saying is, you know, let's quit calling everything or let's, let's stop sanctioning opposite gender, or different gender marriages, let's call it civil unions across the board, and make marriage into this religious right, that a religious right, that the religious right seems to be wanting it to be. I mean, that's the big part is the fact

that we've taken, we have to separate the church and state of what this this piece of paper does. It was interesting, I'm flipping through my stations last night, and I got stuck watching what are the religious stations, and was watching their weekly legal program. And I mean, all the way they were going on about this stuff, and how much their pushes for the federal marriage amendment to protect marriage. And it's like, you know, it hasn't been affected yet. You know, we've been marrying gays and lesbians officially in the in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts now for six days. And you know, I checked, the world is still spinning on its access. You know, war has not, no new wars have declared war coming out. The asteroids haven't hit. The tornadoes and hurricanes have not hit. You know, we're still here



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hasn't been mass divorce rate, divorce rate hasn't increased, since gay marriage has been allowed.



c Chris Harrison 52:22

And we were already planning for the plague of Circadia. So don't claim that it was the look that these are the loci coming through get us,



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right? I mean, it's, you know, I just don't, I just can't fathom how someone can say, and maybe it's because I'm gay. Or maybe it's just because I'm so open minded. But how people can say, you know, we want to protect marriage, you know, from from gay people. I mean, you know, it's not, we're not asking for special rights, we're just asking for equal rights, you know, just like anyone else, you know, just like, everyone else wants to be equal, you know, we sort of we, you know, can



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you imagine being in a relationship and having, if you and your partner have a child, and you've raised that kid? Could you imagine how scary it would be if if something happened to your partner? And for whatever reason, you didn't have a genetic connection with that child? I mean, that has to be stressful for gay families to think that if their partner or or if, if, if they are biologically related, that child can be taken away from them, even though that they were the ones that may have raised that kid for however long, right? I mean, I would think that has to be a terribly frightening prospect.



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Definitely. I mean, you don't know if you're gonna get hit by the bus hit by a bus, you know, the next day when you're crossing the street? You know, hopefully not in Houston, because Metro is pretty safe.



Chris Harrison 53:51

But um, usually it's other people hitting the buses. And, yes, usually it's other people



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hitting the buses, and then the bus is hitting you. And, but anyway, you know, whatever it is, you know, that causes, you know, if it's the blue eyes falling from the sky or whatever, then you know, it's just, you don't know when you're going to when you're going to get hurt. And if you get hurt, your partner may not be able to visit you, if you're, you know, if you're in an area that doesn't have, you know, if



Chris Harrison 54:15

you're in an intensive care unit, you have to be family to get in, and you don't have that connection. Yes. And even with the fact of, you know, you can walk in with all the paperwork that you can go in there with the medical power of attorneys and the power of attorneys and all these other legal documents, you know, until you gather all that stuff together, it's still up to the doctor to say, you know, I don't really believe this stuff, right? Whereas, you know, you just walk in and any woman could walk in off the street,



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to be a man's, you know, wife and say, or sister or sister or cousin or whatever, and say, I want to see, you know, this person and don't, I mean, they'll probably not check the ID.



Chris Harrison 54:56

Or the worst part about it is this you have someone who's in in that intensive care situation, and you know, the person who they have lived with and loved with and been a partner to for 30 40 50 years, is left at the door and can't make a decision. But you know, the the family that shunned him 60 years ago, can come waltzing in the door and say, you know, pull the plug and go in and take his house and kick someone out. It's a funny way to think about it. But the fact that that's how it happens, because you don't have any sort of legal connection, and that your next of cam is the one who can decide that stuff. Right. Yeah, I think



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this is a really important issue. There's so many things that affects and I don't I wonder if if straight if the straight world even those who are open and more liberal minded or are fair minded, I should say not not say liberal minded but fair minded. Sit back and think about that, you know, that there are certain privileges and rights and, and guarantees that they have that loving family members that they have that are gay or lesbian, they don't have. And I think that's what I think that's a challenge that we have, as gay and lesbian people is to make sure

that our loved ones in the people that we are close to know that, that you give those issues or personal face, you know, this, you love me, this is who I am. And these are my issues. And I think that's a challenge. It can be a hard thing to do. But I think that's a challenge for all of us, is to make sure that the people we're related to the people that we love their friends and neighbors, that we put a personal face on the gait



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issues out there. Right, because Lewis Powell who was the dissenting vote in what is it? Bowers versus Hardwick, right, said he didn't know any gay people. Yet. One of his clerks was gay. Yeah, we're more than one of his courts, I think. And it's like, how I mean, if you don't tell people that you're gay, then nobody knows. And they're like, I don't know any gay people, when they probably do. I mean, if you know at least 10 people chances are very good that you know someone who's gay or lesbian or bisexual or transgendered. Do you



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remember the night PFLAG comes to own PFLAG is what is PFLAG same for parents, families and friends of lesbians and gay. Yeah, PFLAG comes to hatch once a month or so. And they, they tell their story, usually about their children who have come out and how they as parents process that information, what they went through. But one lady, one mother said that she wished that one day that every person who was gay would have a light shine on them. So that from one day, all over the world, if you were gay, that there would be a light that would appear over you. And at first, I thought no, that's, you know, I was trying to help people. You know, for people who are in the closet, or people who can't be out, I mean, That'd be terrible. But her point was, is that for the guy who is sitting in a cubicle, who doesn't think he knows anyone who's gay, knows that his buddy or his friend or the person that he he, he's worked with for the last 15 years, or whatever, or his best friend in college or your, your cousin or your nephew or your niece or whatever. Those people that you have in your family that are important to you are gay and you know, people who are gay and like people that you look up to, and sports politics, work, whatever, though some of those people you look up to are gay. Right. And you know, that was when thinking about that. That's, that's kind of a powerful thing. It



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is. There was I think it was a book that that did a similar that proposed a similar idea, except that all the people had purple skin or something. And you know, which is sort of, we



Chris Harrison 58:57

just had to break in here one, one quick second here and let you know that everyone listening lets them know, man, I'm screwing it up. Like David does need to let you know that you're listening to after hours queer radio with Alex, who's here on Pacifica radio for the Gulf Coast. KPFT 90.1 FM, Houston, 89.5 Galveston, and you can always check the World Wide Web KPFT

dot o RG. As I said, this is after hours and this is the hatch segment we're talking about gay marriage, gay adoption. All things queer for the next generation. Yes. So let's get back to it there. We had to had to make sure the SEC was happy for the moment.



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Well, hopefully they'll remain happy with KPFT because it's a great resource. It



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really is. And boy KPFT has really been a strong supporter of hatch and they've been the cutting edge and they've recognized that gay youth have have something to say yeah, and they've given a platform for for them to be able to do so. Do you guys know around the country, how many other programs there are or that that have gay youth as a part of their regular lineup? Oh, looks like we missed.



Chris Harrison 1:00:10

I'm sorry. I was.



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The question was, you know how many other how many other countries Estonia country have queer youth as part of their regular programs? I



Chris Harrison 1:00:23

hate to tell you this, but I do know that Chicago has a one hour once a week gay youth program. Oh, that's great. That they do on one of their community radio stations. That I do know, I do know about at least that portion. I'm not sure about any other ones that I know about the Chicago program is they were featured on a on one of the shows that we do here on KPFT that they were doing some of the about the media, and independent media and other cities. And so I guess I do know Chicago has something as far as other ones. I don't know of ones that have something geared specifically to them. And if I'm just to have programming for gay people, let alone gay youth. Yes. Is unusual enough. I mean, we have the most we have the most hours of any of the Pacifica stations. The do that have the shows there. Los Angeles has a two hour show. I think New York's got a one hour show. There's during the day, on a Friday out in New York. I don't know about Berkeley. I'm not sure about Berkeley. But I do know, like Los Angeles is called I MRU. And I kept looking at the name of it and I'm going I am and I couldn't figure out imbrue I couldn't figure it out. And finally I just started sending out the letters and I go, Okay, now it makes sense. I can be dense a couple of times. It took me several years to finally figure out when we the was the forerunner to this show was called Wildenstein and it didn't click on me that that was Oscar Wilde and Gertrude Stein. Okay, that's going it's like, you know, it was like one of those revelations, you know, the heavens opened up above me and I saw the light.



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That's funny. Okay. Occasionally



Chris Harrison 1:02:21

things take a little bit hit me. Now, the reason why I didn't hear the beginning of the question is with all the talk we were having there, I figured you're gonna want a music break here soon. Oh, yeah. And, and



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then we want to talk about the hatch problem when we come back.



Chris Harrison 1:02:33

Yeah. So I was going to do you guys want two songs. So to get you ready for it? Sure. Sure. Okay, so what we'll do is I picked I had one song, I was already getting ready to go for the for the hatch prom, and I've got another one that was all the talk about gay adoption and that I had another song I had to rush out and get the CD for because I figured it'd be appropriate to that. Plus, we don't play these guys enough in that. So we're taking a little break, step away, and then we'll bring back with hash and we're gonna go to the prom then. And you're listening to after hours. And this is romanovski and Phillips. Yes, we took a little musical interlude there, we started off with Romanovsky and Phillips love is all it takes to make a family which I think was kind of a we hit the right mic there for you. Kind of appropriate with talk about gay marriage, gay adoption, and all the social issues that are coming about and decided that was since I was considered to be a lullaby. We needed to wake people up a bit. So that was CAROLE POPE with high school confidential and that's from queers folk, USA, CD number one that came out. You'll seem to after hours, queer radio with attitude, and we are still in our pledge drive programming situation here. And we need you to call in your pledge of support. We've had a great, great first hour, it's kind of tapered off here, the second hour of our show. But you know this because we want to let these guys talk. We took the first bit there to hype the show, hype this the station. We did a lot of hype. And you know, the fact is, is we're not all hype, we're about putting on a good program and giving you information. We did a we had a caller that called in or had a comment to make there. Robert, you want to? Yeah, Cheryl



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just called in. She said that not to get it wrong, but she's a straight lady, and who is having some difficulty getting some sleep tonight, but she's listening to 90.1 KPFT. And she's enjoying the show. She really appreciates the information she's getting, and how well we handle the data that we're providing. Oh, that's

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Chris Harrison 1:04:52

great. Thanks, Cheryl. And that's the sort of thing that we're here for is you know, you're gonna you'll hear the gay marriage you'll hear the gay adoption debate and you know, you Usually it's the jackal down the street. I'm sorry, he's not on the street anymore. No,

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we ran him off.

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I think you're actually talking about a real person here.

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Chris Harrison 1:05:09

Yeah. Jackal DP? I guess the other stations can mention the Antichrist of Downpatrick, we can, you know? The fact is that, you know, you're gonna hear you hear this topic, you hear this debate, you know, a little further left on our dial down to where the religious stations are. Moaning that this is the end of the world is the end of civilization, turn over the am stations, and they're all doing the same thing. And here, we are having a serious debate. We're talking about family.

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Yeah, you know, the whole thing with the religious stations or religious programs in these churches that are making all the loud noise, they're just the loud ones. I don't think that they really represent the majority of good Christian valued families in America, I think they just happen to be the ones that shout the loudest, right? They're

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Chris Harrison 1:05:57

the ones with the shiny suits to get the television programs, right. And, you know, that's the that's the thing is, you know, there are a lot more divergent views of Christianity, you just can't pick up a Bible and go at it with your highlighter and say, you know, we're going to do this part, but we're not going to do that part we're gonna do here, we're not gonna do there. You know, because if we did all that stuff, you know, we've kind of ignored the slavery issue or selling your daughter into white slavery, shellfish, mixing different cloth cloths of different varieties.

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You know, there's something very self serving when your God hates the same people you do. And depending on who you are, and who you hate that it differs regarding or depending on what your prejudices are. Yeah, well,



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you have to remember that not only did God create us in His own image, we make God in our sure on him. Absolutely.



c Chris Harrison 1:06:52

And, you know, I've always looked at it this way that for the religious for the very religious, faithful, you know, God is an all powerful all knowing, all loving force. And, you know, if he was really a vehemently and violently opposed to the things that's that some of these religious stations say that they are, you know, all he had to do was just, you know, wave his hand across the sky, you know, what's abortion, or what's Roe v. Wade? None of us. I mean, he just wipe his hand across the heavens, and you know, homosexuality is not there, and domestic violence and I, but the fact is, we're here and we're not we haven't been smited yet. Right? Hopefully will be your future. The only the only thing that's made this radio station in its 30 year history has been in the K K K, and they didn't do too well of a job and they use dynamite not fire and brimstone. Wow. So the closest thing they could get? Yeah. So once again, like I said, if this is the type of programming that intrigues you interest you, infuriates infatuate. Somebody hit me up my Jesse Jackson dictionary for the rest of the words here, you know, titillates triumphs, educate, informed, however you want to put it, let us know. And, you know, calling, calling and let us know, that's great. We do love hearing from people and letting them know that letting us know that there's people out there in the darkness listening to us. But right now, we do need pledged support. And you can call in at 713-526-5738 at 713 Jam KPFT. And, you know, let us know because, you know, it's sad to say, but, you know, we're not corporate media, but you know, money still talks. It does take



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\$140 to run this station for just one hour.



c Chris Harrison 1:08:41

And we're not talking about salaries. And now that's just fixed expenses. That's fixed. You're not you know, your contribution is not going into the pockets of anyone you hear on this radio show. Trust me, number I gave it twice already. And I actually did it right twice. That's that's surprising for me. So 135265738 I always screwed up during pledge drive. I have to find the person who I keep getting their phone number out during pledge drive and apologize. But sadly, you know it making a lot of money right now. Yeah, but the sad part is if our phone's not ringing, I guess her phone isn't ringing so I really don't have anyone to apologize to but we need people to call in and if this is the type of programming that you know, gets your get your thoughts going whether you're for or against, I mean, whatever side of the political spectrum gay, straight lesbian, bisexual, transgendered Venusian, we don't care. If you are, if this programming reaches a part of you and makes you go, Oh, I never thought of it that way. That's what we need. That's what we need people to put in here. So a



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key thing to say on this issue that you're saying that we whether or not we are listening or not listening, is that even though Richard gave us a pledge while ago he wanted to register a slight complaint against KPFT. He said that as far as our coverage of Israel is going were somewhat one sided and he thinks that you know we need to take a look at that issue and see if we can't make some kind of a correction there.



c Chris Harrison 1:10:11

Yeah I can put on there we in the past there have been I want I'm guessing as he's saying that there's not enough of pro Israel sort of statements we did at one point here have a Israeli presented the Israeli point of view. The fact is that you know, when we talk about fair and balanced, which is what the the slogan for phone news for 26 the fact no, the National phone news, oh, that one The fact is, you know, you never hear the other side you don't even hear that on CNN, you don't you don't get to hear the other side. So when we're trying to prevent a balanced view on some of the programming here it's not we're not trying to balance ourselves on the show sometimes because we do that on this show quite a bit. But you know, we can't we've tried to balance other stations that what they're what they're putting out there all the time. And so that's part of when we talk about you know, we try to be balanced balanced we try to give a different point of view of what you're hearing on the other part there



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apparently Cheryl has called back in



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good for Cheryl



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she kind of wants to talk with us on air



c Chris Harrison 1:11:27

oh well unfortunately with with the setup we have here with with the pledge drive we're we're unable to get them Oh on there the shirt.



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We're here the fourth Saturday of every month the hatch segment is so if you can't call in this time please call in next month



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yes definitely



c Chris Harrison 1:11:46

unfortunate with our with the phones are set up here with the request line. We're unable to take the On Air phone calls right now Cheryl, do apologize for that one



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day now. I want to make sure we get to is I want to the hatch problem is coming out



c Chris Harrison 1:11:58

yeah, let's let's we've done the plug in for the station there. We people know our listeners, they know what type of show we do they know the type programming, call us at 135265738. Let's go back to hash let's talk about this because you know, hatch prom is something that's not just for the Hatchling, it's for the entire community. That's right, right. And let's get let's let's talk about that.



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Well, the the hatch, prom is June 4, at Magnolia ballroom, 715, Franklin, a downtown, and Rhino Buffalo Bayou. It's a lovely place. And all people all youth ages 13 to 20 are welcome to come free of charge. And, in addition, adults may attend by supporting hat with a \$25 donation. And the



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important thing to know about that is that all the money that's donated, or that we raised through the prom, goes for youth programming, right. So it doesn't pay salaries, or it doesn't do any of those type of things. It goes for programming for for the youth. And



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welcome to just show up, you know, there's just show up at the door.



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And in front of for everyone who's 21 and above, if you didn't get to go to your prom with the person you want it to, then this gives you an opportunity to kind of relive that. It gives you



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that that wonderful chance.



Chris Harrison 1:13:21

I mean, that's something of I mean, that's the important thing with that aside, you know, it wasn't till past couple years that, you know, some schools grudgingly started allowing same sex couples. That's right, even I mean, there, there was even a case this year where there wasn't even a lesbian couple of slices. Like, you know, this girl didn't have a boyfriend, she just wanted to bring her best friend who happened to be a girl, and wouldn't be allowed to bring her that's just amazing. And the fact that you know, that sort of thing wasn't allowed. And here's an opportunity for someone to, to go and experience the prom.



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Oh, and it's so much fun. If you just go one time, if you feel it just makes you feel good about about yourself. And it's such a positive, uplifting, just great experience. Yes,



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it's it's always lots of fun. You know, you don't there's no dress code, you just come, you know, just come however you want.



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That's right, you can eat if you want to come in a tux. By all means if you want to come into a full fledged prom dress, go right ahead. But you don't have to. Yeah,



Chris Harrison 1:14:18

and also, if you're a man and wants wants to come in the full length gown, that's fine. That's fine that if you're a woman and wants to show up in the full tux and tails, that's fine. That's



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right. Actually, I'm glad you mentioned that you can guess formal wear is they have a special for for those people who want to go to hatch in a tux. We have a discount rate. If you mentioned that you're going to the hatch prom. Also. It's very friendly. It's



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359 95 it's the one in gallery three.

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Chris Harrison 1:14:49

We can get from a very nice Yeah.

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And it's that's really nice to them and we need to promote that. Oh

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absolutely. It's very friendly. If a woman wants to go in Are young girl wants to go in and get fitted for a tux, she doesn't have to feel weird about it. Because they really want to open those doors and provide an opportunity in an environment where they don't have to feel awkward.

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So that's gagis and

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gallery three Galleria three, okay? And you're offering it to anyone, youth or adult male or female, they don't care. Just say that you're coming to that prom, and they'll be happy to rent your tux. Lovely, lovely.

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Chris Harrison 1:15:27

I mean, that's the thing that if I mean, I had toyed with the idea when I was going to I mean, I wasn't seeing anyone, man, woman or beast in high school. But you know, just going with a friend to see what the prom experience was like. And to, to be able to at another time, and being able to enjoy that sort of camaraderie of youth. So once he was I went to it was on June

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24. At seven o'clock 7pm to midnight. Yes. The historic Magnolia ballroom, 715. Franklin in downtown.

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That's a lovely, lovely place.

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Chris Harrison 1:16:00

I mean, it's just grown over the years because I remember, it was about what five years ago? You were doing it at the lava dam? Yeah. front room.

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Yeah. It's kind of quite a bit quite a bit larger. And it's a big Unhatched raises a lot of money from this fundraiser.

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Yes. Okay. And just want to give a quick shout out to, you know, my family and my friends. Jeff, who should be here, but isn't for some reason. Trouble JC You are in big trouble. Jeff. I'll yell at you tomorrow. And Drew who's still up in Marion, Montana.

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Chris Harrison 1:16:34

Okay, how about how about giving us the information on how to contact hatch. Oh,

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how to contact hatch, you can contact us through our website, www dot hatch youth.org. Or you can call us at 713529359 out.

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In Cheryl, this is to give a shout out to Sheryl. She'll join us next month we give his call. We'd like to talk to core call. Or if

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Chris Harrison 1:16:57

you want to call back in you know we can we can talk to you here in a little bit here once we go on to our next segment in that. Do you want to take care of that? Well, let's let's let's go to music first. Okay, so we're gonna go to some music first here and then when we get back here, we should have Dean Becker on the line. You know, since we're talking about prom and all that, let's go to let's go to the other big dance event. Let's go to the prom first. We'll be right back.