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00:00

The FCC is cracking down hard. You want everything to sound just like a Hallmark card. They won't even let us talk about number two and I wonder what they call it when they get it on the shoe. We know what would they use them, but we can't say it because FCC is full of bull when they use the girls and we're here to say that you better do something and right away Yeah, you better wake up and start using your head because your first amendment rights are just about dead. Well, the FCC will tell you Oh, haven't you heard? The freedom of speech is a dirty word. Well, the East has got a message for the people who agree with the stupid regulations of the FCC. You think your kids would be corrupted if they hear about poo and there's nothing wrong with them? We think the problem is you biology is neat we like a body's just fine telling us a story well we say you like call it a free country. But it feels like a prison cell right the Federal Communication Commission in Japan and paper ready because here's the address 1919 M Street, Northwest Washington, DC 200360 Tell him that they're stupid. Yeah, tell him that they're destroying our expression because they think it's outrageous. Tell him that I live in in the dark ages, whether yeasty girls and we're here to say we want the FCC to go away. Yeah, go away.



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Imagine a world in which millions of people are at the mercy of a small band of extremists in which works of art are subjected to government censorship, and freedom of expression is a crime. Now stop imagining Welcome to America. 1990. This is calling you Hearst. As an actress, I am terrified by what is happening in our country today. extremists like Jerry Falwell, Pat Robertson and Senator Jesse Helms are trying to destroy freedom of expression for their own political and personal needs. And since this freedom is so powerfully demonstrated in the arts, they especially want to silence the artist. That's why they're determined to restrict the National Endowment for the Arts, an organization that supports artists all across America. We must fight back please call or write to your member of Congress today. Because silence for the arts is silence for America



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program contains language or images of a frank or sensitive nature that may be considered objectionable by some listener discretion is advised.



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I think that's Robert Tyler on the stage leaving the chat for lumbermen live we're not going back



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to Washington DC



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want you to savor this the task of staff the official count of the LSVT.



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way parents want to persuade society are gay stover and are not acting out of defiance, self indulgence. They're being true to their own nature. Our children are fine men and women. And we say to society, parents and friends that love gay man will support their children.



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Oh come on out. Bring your friends, what do you think about the turnout? Never, never,



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never. We must destroy the mess once and for all shattered everything, we must continue to speak out. And most importantly, most importantly, every gay person must come out. difficult as it is, you must tell your immediate family, you must tell your relatives, you remember, tell your friends, if indeed they are your friends, you must tell your neighbors, you learn from the people your work with, you must go to the store to shop.



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Once they realize that we are indeed their children, and we are indeed everywhere, every myth, every lie, every innuendo will be destroyed once and for all. And once you do, you will feel so much better. I'm here tonight to say some good things about Texas. I'm proud to be I know that I could not have heard Harvey Mills challenge to me we live and not something in my life, the state. We hear the word of freedom and Harvey's. Most importantly, every gay person must come out. I am here tonight. Because it is time for all of us. Love the state that gave us light and as nurtured as an honest our value to stand up and claim the history of the state for freedom and justice and human respect away from the forces of narrow mindedness and bigotry. That too often dominates politics in the state of Texas.



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I ask people in this country to do one thing come out. Come out of America



Buddy Johnston 08:28

you know what? Why I still think we should play that some time for just four hours. Just just this think I would get the message across? Probably not. didn't make me feel better though. Oh, by the way, welcome



Jimmy Carper 08:45

home.



Buddy Johnston 08:46

Oh, thank you. So a little vacation. Yeah, couple of weeks. Well, I had to get away from a few things. We'll talk about that later. Okay. We're getting ready for our third anniversary. Right? We sure are. Oh, by the way, this is after hours radio celebrating live from the hunter Montrose on 90.1 FM KPFT in Houston. This program is brought to you every week by yours truly, my name is Buddy. I'm the fagot that works for HPD. And I'm



Jimmy Carper 09:13

Jeremy I'm the fact that he doesn't work.



Buddy Johnston 09:18

So true. I'm not I mean, that's so true. But I wish I could No, I don't know. I like my job.



Jimmy Carper 09:25

I like being retired. And we've got a big

 Buddy Johnston 09:27

union meeting today. I've got a meeting with the chief on Monday. Yeah, lots of things are happening. Here.

 Jimmy Carper 09:34

You're busier down there. Then you're here

 Buddy Johnston 09:37

the one legged man. Whoa, here's Alan. You queen. Thank you and we're gonna be giving away some albums and we're going to be talking about something that's going to be real special happening in September when we kick off the third year anniversary party. Your lights not on either. It's working but your lights not on

 Jimmy Carper 09:59

That's been the way for years.

 Buddy Johnston 10:04

Oh, well, have we got a message for you this morning? Stay tuned. This is after hours on KPFT Houston. Don't you know? Talking about? Sounds? Don't you know? Talking about news and sound?

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Who's there? Just a friend. No, you're not afraid. I don't know you. I've never seen you before.

 Buddy Johnston 11:04

I'm your friend. Don't be afraid. It's okay. Come with me. I want to take you someplace safe. Take

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me where you can't. I'm not going anywhere with you.

 **Buddy Johnston 11:13**

I have to take you someplace safe. It's not safe on the streets anymore. Come on, let's go.

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It's not safe anywhere anymore, much less the streets. It's not safe anywhere. And I don't know who you are. And I'm not going anywhere with you.

 **Buddy Johnston 11:25**

It's okay. I'm your friend. We have to get out of the streets. The health department was just down the street and there they may come back. We've got to go. Come on.

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I don't have any friends anymore. Do you understand that I don't have any friends. They're all gone. They've either been locked up, or they've died. I don't have any more friends. And I don't know you. And I don't trust you. I can't trust you.

 **Buddy Johnston 11:52**

You have to trust someone you can't be out here in the streets alone. It's not safe anymore. Curfews at nine o'clock, and we have to get out of the streets. It's getting late, let's go.

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They said the testing was safe. That it wouldn't matter that people wouldn't find out that nothing would happen. Well, it has mattered. Things have happened. And people's lives have been affected. People are gone. People are dead people are locked up. And I've got to get away from here. And I've got to be by myself. I want to be by myself. And I don't want you following me get away from me.

 **Buddy Johnston 12:27**

Listen, I'm your friend. I know what you're going through. Yes, there were lies. But there are people who care and we've got to hide and we've got to work together. And right now we've got to think about getting out of the street before the curfew comes and the police come once go. I can't

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trust anybody anymore. I don't know how to trust anybody anymore. I wish I could I wish I could trust someone I'd give anything in the world if I could trust someone

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Buddy Johnston 12:58

There's a meeting Friday night, down on the corner of Montrose and Westheimer there'll be a few of his gathering there. Will you come and meet with us? We're going to make things happen. Things are going to change. I promise you it's going to be okay.

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That's risky. That's scary. That's a bad corner to have a meeting on a Friday night. That's scary. I don't know. I don't know if I'll be there.

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Buddy Johnston 13:21

It's the only place we can gather in the light. They won't think anything about it if we get there together in the light.

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I don't know. I don't know. I'm scared.

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Buddy Johnston 13:31

We're all scared alone you at least think about it. Please. We need your help. I know the pain. How can I help we have to band together if we don't stand together they're gonna get all of us. We are at least think about Common Pleas

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All right.

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I'll think about it. I promise I'll at least think about it. But right now, please, please leave me alone. Please go away. I just want to be by myself.

J

Jimmy Carper 14:16

Okay in wartime job serious stuff here tonight. Well, it's

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Buddy Johnston 14:28

part of why I wasn't here for the last couple of weeks. We'll talk about that later on. Okay, we got a call from Matt and he said that his honeys in Vancouver at the Gay Games to get games three. But yeah, that's up there those Gay Games, huh? And he said play something for Matt to smooth a lonely heart. Child Here you go.

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Men are the most horrible creatures honey. They will ruin your life. You must my word. No, wait.

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Buddy Johnston 14:56

That's weasel Boudreau. And I'll tell you to listen for weasel later because it could win you something Wait a minute, what do what is this? Do you think this is? Okay. I was gonna play this. But do you think that's a better song? For those to

J

Jimmy Carper 15:14

clean? Yeah, absolutely. Absolutely.

B

Buddy Johnston 15:18

I was just looking at that. Not that now wait a minute or two nice. This is the wrong thing to play. By the way, Matt, where's that negative for that picture? Oh, Matt marched, washed with us in the parade. And we got a great picture of everybody that marched in the parade. I want to have some eight by 10s made to give everybody I thought that was great. It turned out pretty good. And

J

Jimmy Carper 15:37

yeah, we all looked really good.

B

Buddy Johnston 15:39

But anyway, well, not all of us. Because always remember, the most horrible creatures honey, they will ruin your life. You must my word. That's right. You gotta listen for wheezing. I'll tell you why later. Anyway, this is for Matt and Ben. I didn't mean to play wheezing, Matt. I'm still looking for those negatives, child. But when you're thinking about your husband, just think about this. After hours, where are you celebrating life in the hunter Montrose? I don't know, John. I've done a lot of thinking over the last couple of weeks. Yeah, about why we're here. And someone said, Do you like that being out in front and being a leader and all this? And I said, No, I don't because it takes away a lot of energy, that I would rather use other places. Yeah. And

I'm tired of fighting and being ignored and working real hard and not feeling like we're getting anywhere. When you see people like Jesse Helms spinning the world. Whoa. And the reason we do it, the reason what they're here every week, and the reason we've been doing it for almost three weeks, years is big three years that I say three weeks feels like three weeks, you know, it really does. Why? Why do we do it? That that's what? That's one of the reasons I wasn't here. Because being here every week takes so much out of us. It does. I mean, so very much out of us.

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Jimmy Carper 17:18

I know why I do it. Why? Because when I was a teenager, I didn't have this show, or anything like it. And I would have really loved to have been able to hear the words of Harvey and all the other wonderful stuff that comes out over the airwaves.

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Buddy Johnston 17:40

And the other reason we do it, I think is because we want to be hateful queers and ignore people. And when treat people like garbage, we want to be rude to people. And we want everybody to know that we're the best. And now they know.

J

Jimmy Carper 17:53

That's why some people know that when we scream and carry on. I think it's to make people think,

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Buddy Johnston 18:01

well, how come some of these so called activists in this city are so self centered and so hateful? You know, Ray Hill was here one night to tell us about the thing at MCC are the night of remembrance, or whatever they call it during Pride week when history got rewritten to people rewrote history and just fill in the blanks with their own two names like nobody's going to notice that anyone else's around. And you know, there are people we worked real hard in 88 to bring the celebration of life rally and get ignored by the so called gagging leadership and the community wouldn't even print our press releases. And but you know, I realized that we don't need all those people. Yeah. I know who was instrumental in helping to bring the names project quilt to the George R Brown in 1988. Even nobody else does. Or 89 whenever it was 38. I know who went down to City Hall, talk to them at the mayor's office and they went down to the convention center.

J

Jimmy Carper 18:54

Of course you did.

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Buddy Johnston 18:54



Buddy Johnston 10:54

I know. I did. And I know I was there the night they said thank you. They didn't say thank you. I know there are certain people who have tried to stab us in the back every time we turn around. And it just it I'm just overwhelmed. I don't need them. We've We've muddled around in that for too long and we're just gonna move forward they can all just strangle in their own vomit for all I'm for all I care because they're no worse than Jesse Helms. All these people that think they're the best and we've we've been preaching for almost three years that there's room in the spotlight for everybody. And everybody deserves a chance and hear it just it still goes on where just a certain few tries to run the world and they think they're the only thing going since cheese in they just won't let anybody else in the way. Well, to hell with them. I'm just over him grow. We don't need them anymore. We don't need that attitude anymore. We're moving forward. I don't know where they're going. They're just going to wallow around in their filth. And we're going to move forward there's enough Jesse Helms in the world to me and enough hateful people like that to keep us busy without worrying about what some hateful Queens saying about us behind our back. I just don't care anymore. We've worked real hard. And I'm real proud of where we've gone in the last three years. Three years ago, in September, we started this program, almost with no guests, because people wouldn't even come on the show. And we've struggled and we've tried to bring you the best. And I think we've done a pretty damn good job of it. And if we have to, we'll pat ourselves on the back. And in fact, Jimmy and I are gonna give each other awards in a couple of weeks as part of our anniversary show. Because I think we got damn well deserve award very ago, for all the hard work we've done. I'd like to give one to all the people that have marched with us in the parades, all the people that have cared to tell their families, hey, I'm gay and lesbian, and I heard this radio show. That's all. That's all. That's all. It's important to our lives. This is a wheat thing. And then we have people like that guy they brought in from the Pride Week thing you remember, I'm gonna play that tape. In September, our anniversary show



Jimmy Carper 21:03

Oh yeah, the greatest hits



Buddy Johnston 21:07

Greatest Hits child, he had all the answers. He's been involved in the gay community since the beginning of time, who was a he was telling God how to do it. Never saw the man before in my life, till he came down here in the middle of night to attack us. gate press printed press doesn't print everything, they just print what they want to print, well, that's okay. They have papers like that they used to Czechoslovakia, in Romania and



Jimmy Carper 21:34

Russia. They're just following along with the straight press, what we're



Buddy Johnston 21:38

going to do is try to do the best. And we're just going to keep doing we'll invite people if they want to come on fine. If they don't find that that's good, too, that I'm just not going to deal with

worrying about what everybody else is thinking and doing. We're just going to keep trying to do the best that we can. And we've done it all out. I realized that when I went to the police department the second time around in January of this year, and had my ad made my police department ID because I left the police department mainly because of a lot of the garbage that went on down there. But a lot of it was I wanted to help and get involved in the gay community and be part of the Pride Week thing in this committee and that committee, most people don't want any help. They say they do. As long as you're willing to bend over and do what they want you to know you try to No, no, no, no, no. Because if people wanted help. Now, I shouldn't say careful, certain things wouldn't be here if people wanted help if you were willing to work together. But people don't want to work together, they want to be the king cheese. And that's why we have 15 different 1000 Baptist churches and 20 different 1000 Protestant churches, everybody getting mad, and they're just gonna go start their own church. And well, here we are, we're gonna do what we can do, then that's all we do. In the meantime, we're gonna hope that you get the message and you understand that the the only reason we're here is to tell you that you must come out of the closet. That's it. You don't have to do it today or tomorrow, but you got to do it.

J Jimmy Carper 23:09

And by that, we mean be proud of yourself.

B Buddy Johnston 23:13

proud of who you are. That's, that's all it's about. That's what the show is all about. I wish that we could come on and talk about that and not play music. But if we didn't play music, and if we didn't play all the little cutesy things that we played at this hour of the morning, especially when we used to be on from two to four, nobody would have listened. So we've kind of played around and had a good time. And it's been fun, and it will continue to be fun. But we've got to get very, very serious about this message. Because I want Jesse Helms to get off my butt. And I want all these religious people to get their Bible off the Constitution and go about their business. I don't care what they do in their church, but keep it in the church. I'm sick to death to hearing about how this country was built on one faith undergone on and on and on. That's garbage. This country was built on the Constitution, right? And the trust that we the people would have the good sense to take care of things. And somewhere along the line, some of these religious fanatics thought that it was time that God just stepped in and took over and that's a bunch of garbage now

J Jimmy Carper 24:18

people forget, that's why we're here in the first place to escape religious persecution that was going on over in Europe.

B Buddy Johnston 24:27

It's just wild. It's just like HPD

J Jimmy Carper 24:29

if you want to be any religion, that's fine. To nobody points, right.

B Buddy Johnston 24:35

But I like to put those people on the radio because it just shows them it just shows what they really are shows people how hateful they really are. They really does.

J Jimmy Carper 24:45

It does give Christianity a bad name.

B Buddy Johnston 24:48

But we're gonna do our best to do our duty to just move forward and continue the good things that we've done. We're going to continue to find the Larry Rodriguez that we found. Yeah. I'm going to continue to find the mats and the bins. Folks that march with us every year in the parade. You know, there's one two gentlemen that I know of, I don't even know their names because I can't think of their names but they marched with us and every gay lesbian Pride Parade in Houston. Since we've been on the air for three years. They've marched with us, and they are still hot looking man. They did, it's always there. And let's not forget Jeff, the one with the legs. So yeah, Jeff came down when that made a donation to the show. But that's why we're here we're here to to feel good about ourselves. They can only make you feel bad if you feel bad. And we're not going to feel bad anymore. So we're not gonna let all these hateful people, even these backbiting queens. It's just not worth it. Ah,

J Jimmy Carper 25:46

I mean, I've got too much going on in my life to worry about that crap. You go to the bars and the bars and

B Buddy Johnston 25:51

the bookstores and the streets and you see the same unhappy faces. And it's because there are a lot of gay people, men, and some women, women, not as much as men. And I'll tell you why in a minute, but you see these unhappy people and they're just unhappy because number one, they're unhappy with being gay. Yes, girl. I love being queer. Me too. I just love it. There's nothing better than making love to a man, especially one that really likes you. Yeah, you know what I mean? You just can't beat it with a stick.

J Jimmy Carper 26:21

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Girl,

B Buddy Johnston 26:22

Jesse Helms call me. But you know what I mean? I love it. I didn't used to. But I just love it. I love being queer. I love every minute of

J Jimmy Carper 26:30

it. Sometimes it's a problem for me, because I have always been out to myself, I never had a coming out problem with myself. I always accepted my gayness. And I sometimes do have a problem with people who don't just, you know, I just want to sometimes I want to shake people and say, Get over yourself, girl,

B Buddy Johnston 26:56

I just have a problem with people who won't let us alone and live our lives. I mean, they're always trying to pull us down. Not just me, because then I'm up here. I'm way up here. And it doesn't hurt me it doesn't hurt me. When people don't talk about the things we're doing when we did the Harvey Milk rally. And we're talking about running the Harvey Milk video or the Harvey Milk movie at the Rose theater. A lot of people didn't talk about it, because I was doing it. They didn't hurt me. They hurt the people that could have seen it that didn't get to go. You know, when the voice and the twit don't print the press releases that I give them. They're not hurting me. They're hurting the people that don't. When people do things, they're hurting you, as you listen, you're the ones that they hurt. And I get mad about that. Because I can't put my arms around you and say it's going to be okay. I know it's going to be okay. And I know you think it's going to be okay. But for some reason, you just haven't come across yet. You want to and you will eventually because right always wins out. But I get real angry at these people that insult us and try to degrade us and just pull us down and try to hurt us. And then when they do something and they're wrong. They never say Oh, I'm sorry. No, no, shouldn't have done that. I'm

J Jimmy Carper 28:13

sorry. I'm just against anybody who's trying to tell me how to live my life. And cluding the so called gay leaders. I know how to live my life. I just want I don't want to live my life like anybody else. Yes,

B Buddy Johnston 28:27

we've got things to do. And we're going to do it just wanting to get over themselves. And it it's that's just one of the reasons that wasn't here. I saw one of our faithful listeners Sunday, the next Sunday after I wasn't here two weeks ago, and he said, Oh, you weren't on the show last night. So the show's in good hands. And it'll be fine. And last week, when I heard the show, I realized that it was an excellent hands. It wasn't a good hands. It was an excellent hands. And if

you get our program guide, you'll notice there'll be a little change in it in September because it's going to say that this program is produced by myself and Jim Carper. Let's because Jimmy has been putting in a lot of time and a lot of work, scheduling guests and doing things that I can't do anymore, mainly because I'm busy at the police department with my union and all those other things. And I don't think there's anybody in the whole universe that I would trust because this is the longest running gay and lesbian radio program for hours in the history of the world. Anywhere in the world. You won't find any longer program. La Chicago, New York, Washington, Hawaii, all across the land. This is the the four hour broadcast there's no Pacific a station even that has four hours gay radio like this on a Saturday. True. And not only this program, but we have Wildenstein we have breakthrough. And we have we have something to be real proud of. So we're not going to let All these other queens these hateful, self centered selfish, bitches. Whoa, hold us down anymore. I'm just not going to do it.

J Jimmy Carper 30:09

Okay.

B Buddy Johnston 30:13

And the rest of the stuff I want to say job I can't. Because the FCC won't

J Jimmy Carper 30:18

let Oh, and you know, that's right.

B Buddy Johnston 30:22

It's like Benton meddler if I could, mud would be flung tonight. But I can't. And it's really not worth it anyway. Because it didn't get you anywhere. We started with something real special. Yeah. And I want you to hear it again, because it's really good. And I heard Jimmy play this last week, when I was at home. i Oh, and

J Jimmy Carper 30:47

you know, and I never introduced it rolling. Yeah, I never, I'd never told the people what it was.

B Buddy Johnston 30:54

Well, I had asked Jim to do the show a couple of weeks, because I had to take time off. And in the future, there will be times when I'm not going to be here. And there'll be times when he's not here. But last week, you know, this program is kind of like my little baby, because I started it with just Roger and I Rogers out in the lobby answering the phones. And I remember the first program we did on September the sixth 1987, my hands were shaking so hard that I couldn't even queue records. I couldn't put the needle on the on the turntable on the record, because I

just knew that working for the police department that somebody was going to come down here and kick the door and and dragged me away. Right? Didn't it didn't happen. But anyway, over the years, almost three now there have been lots of people that have come to help out. A lot of gay Casey cases out there just waiting to be superstars. And that's not what this program is all about. We're just starting Sorry, folks, I'm just your everyday ordinary faggot trying to find a short, hairy man to get in bed and come down here on Saturday night, because I ain't got nothing better to do. Well, actually I do. But this kind of fills in the time and keeps me out of trouble. But you kind of guard your little baby and hope that that as long as you can be there that everything you believe in, is going to be done. Right. And that things that I believe in is that if there's a political race going on, we tell you about everybody that's running. We don't endorse anybody. That's not our job. We report journalists are supposed to report. If somebody's got something to say we invite them down, saying if there's some wrong that's going on, we try to report if we think it's wrong, we try to report the facts as they happen and let you judge somebody's got something they say that they don't agree with this. And then we bring them on and let them rattle away and then we let you decide. But I if anything hurt, I guess over the last three years more than any program we ever did, it was the night that the Pride Week, people were down here. And the guy said, Well, you just think that you're the voice of the gay community. And I'm in the wrong challen never said that. And never will. I do not think that I could ever speak for 400,000 baguettes in Houston. And I wouldn't even pretend to and I would never even begin to speak for the 30 or 40 million. Did you hear that? The 30 or 40 million gay and lesbian people that make up this nation. There are a lot of gay people who will be the first to tell you they have all the answers and all the solutions, but it's not us. But last Sunday, when I caught just a little bit of the show, I have a friend that was moving up here from Beaumont, we were out riding around and I heard Jimmy play this song. And then I heard a few other things that he did. And I realized that my baby wasn't a baby anymore, that it was grown up and strong and it was in good hands. And that's why that you'll see Jim carpers name in the program guide his producer on this program because he really works hard. And the only way I can say thanks. Thank you because I know that we're going to make it we've already made it. And one of the reasons that we made it is because of this song because there's just something inside of us so strong, that they can't deny. They try to shut us up. They can't do it. And when these people are hateful to you, when your family turns it back on you when you go to work and they say there's the company fagot because it happens to me all the time at the police department. Just hold your head up and smile because you know who you are. And you know that inside you There's something so strong that they'll never take away from you. That your pride, your pride in yourself and your pride in your community and our pride in each other. And that's what it's all about. And as you think about crossing over the line and joining us on the mountaintop, don't wait too long challenge getting old. You know, you're going to be the one in the parade with us next year. You may be the next person sitting here who knows, yeah. There's just a lot of work to be done, babies and we gotta get real serious. And we're going to do that. We got some wonderful stuff happening in September. And we're going to tell you about that in the next half hour. This way out with Greg Gordon and Lucia Chapelle will be coming up at 130. And it's new time. And we've got a whole lot to talk about. So put on your thinking caps and get your pens and papers out and get ready to get some serious work ahead of us. Not just tonight, but in the in the days to come. This is Michael Collins new group made up of Michael Cao Callen, John Arden. I don't know who that is Arial font. TJ Myers and Cliff Townsend, the groups called the flirtations. And this song is called something inside so strong. And this program is called after hours, produced by Buddy Johnston and Jim Carper. That sounds nice. We'll be back in a minute.



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Imagine a world in which millions of people are at the mercy of a small band of extremists in which works of art are subjected to government censorship, and freedom of expression is a crime. Now stop imagining Welcome to America 1990. This is calling you Hearst. As an actress, I am terrified by what is happening in our country today. extremists like Jerry Falwell, Pat Robertson and Senator Jesse Helms are trying to destroy freedom of expression for their own political and personal needs. And since this freedom is so powerfully demonstrated in the arts, they especially want to silence the artist. That's why they're determined to restrict the National Endowment for the Arts that an organization that supports artists all across America. We must fight back. Please call or write to your member of Congress today. Because silence for the arts is silence for America



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sponsored by the People for the American Way Action Fund. When you see the quilt, you understand how it began with one name, sewn with love, and grew to 1000s of names stitched with memories, surrounded by favorite things. Each name is a proud inscription with all of them together make a national monument to those who died of AIDS, a monument that says remember me

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and the name is projects coming in October so stay tuned. We'll tell you all about that.