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J Jack Valinski 00:00

The name of the show is named after Oscar Wilde and Gertrude Stein. Our aim is to bring a better understanding within the gay and lesbian community. This is Jacqueline, along with Mike means asking you to join us for the next 90 minutes. We found them their carts rolling, we've got them back. We have a secret supply of them their carts. They were missing last week and we didn't know how to start the show. Well, this week is going to be an interesting show. If you would all like myself on the radio. You're going to have a lot of us tonight on the radio. We have no guests tonight. But the we're going to be talking about some things that affect our lives that hopefully affect your lives, and which is basically about the gay community. I have a few things that I have even told Mike that I'm going to talk about and I'm sure he's got a few things he hasn't heard about yet. But well, let's start off first with our calendar and then we'll get into our show.

M Mike Miesch 01:07

Good evening, you're listening to Wilde 'N' Stein announcements on this week's calendar. You're cordially invited to a book sign of lesbian and gay shoe, a resource manual for social workers edited by Travis L. Peterson, Hilda Hidalgo and Natalie Jane Woodman. They'll be held at Wilde 'n' Stein bookstore 1103, California, Friday, July 26. From four until 7pm. Three local contributors Travis L. Peterson, Josephine Stewart, and Gary trees will be present to sign. Gay Asians and brands meet at 3pm July 28 And that can be reached through calling the gay switchboard at 5293211. Houston gay health advocates meets at 7:30pm August 3 That can be reached by calling 790944 A the gay Political Caucus will be meeting August 7 that's 30 to 17. Fannin. And for more information, five to one 1000 on the 12th of August, Montrose Art Alliance mates and for more information you can call 8689314 and a list of organizations you might want to get in touch with national gatehouse force crisis lines The number outside of New York stay 1-800-221-7044 Twice choices are unlimited and lesbian social group can be contacted by writing Pio box 709-967-7270 or contacted through the gay switch 45293211. They made at 1pm Third Sunday of the month that Masterson YWCA 3615 Well. If you'd like to contact aviation's and friends, you can write them at 2615 wall drive. Number 289 are contacting them through the gay switchboard? They made it 3pm The second and last Sunday set them up. K

fathers can be contacted through the dignity center 3217 fan in Houston Texas 77006 or calling 5280111. thing guys Health Advocates meets the first Saturday of the month at 7:30pm. For more information 790944 A. For those who want to get involved with Kshs foundation or would like more information can write the KSA its foundation at 3317 Montrose box 1155 That's Houston, Texas 77006 Or you can call 5243427. The Montrose Counseling Center, and 900 Lovett, suite 203. You can contact them by writing that address Houston, Texas 77006 or calling five to 90037. There's an AIDS Victim Support Group 630 On Mondays a women's support group on Tuesdays. For more information about the women's support group, please call they'll have expanding programming for women. The Montrose softball league can be contacted by Rod in PO Box 22272 Houston, Texas, and the CIP is 77227. Or you can call 5243144. Project more a project of montross Counseling Center. For more information you can call five to six more Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays meets 2pm The third Sunday of the month at the Presbyterian center 41 Oakdale AR can be contacted by calling 4646663. And for those interested in the women's softball league, you can write that organization by calling 6431 Pine shade. That's Houston, Texas 7708 are calling Carolyn at 8686256 Bye by apply at 9am. Funding. Cottage Grove fill in for more information on upcoming tournaments you can call that number 8686256. Then some events going on outside of Houston there will be a five day intensive work play shop on game ends alternative health with emphasis on aids to be held August 6 through ninth at running water in western North Carolina. Have a suspension special attention to diet massage sweats play postural alignment meditation and discussion on rebuilding better health are game in the health Habilis and Michael Mason will be among the resource people involved. This workshop is designed to explore the techniques that William Calderon has proven. For information on this workshop, right running water root box 127 e macro spell North Carolina and the SIP is 28705. Also, if you'd like to find out more about running water farm and the collective that puts together RFD a country journal for gay men everywhere. You can also write that address, running water RFD route one box, one to seven e Bakersville. North Carolina to a 705. They will be welcoming visitors in September for our weekend in the mountains in western North Carolina. A beautiful place The National Association of lesbian and gay, alcoholism and professionals behold its first national conference September 26 through 29. at the Holiday Inn Mar Plaza in Chicago, Illinois. General Sessions we'll discuss such topics as gay spirituality, reaching out establishing relationships, alcohol and drug problems in the gay and lesbian community. You're listening to Wilde 'N' Stein? If you need information on what's going on in the gay community, you can call the gay switchboard. The Gay and Lesbian switchboard on my dad. They have recently changed their name. Add five to 93211. If you would like your announcement aired on Wilde 'N' Stein can call us here at bar 264 1000 Or you can write Wilde 'N' Stein care of KPFT 419 Lovet Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77006. Take care.

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Jack Valinski 11:40

Good evening. This is Jack Valinski with news of interest for Wilde 'N' Stein listeners for July 25 1985. The big news tonight, Rock Hudson, a movie idol of the 50s and 60s who went on television started and McMillan and wife and dynasty is gravely ill with inoperative cancer liver cancer in a Paris hospital boasts public success Tuesday. Hudson, aged 59 is being treated at the American Hospital in Paris by a specialist at the Institut Pasteur to have a facility that specializes in AIDS research. publicists, Dale Orson said, but Orson described reports that Hudson is suffering from Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome as speculative. My official statement is that Rock Hudson is an American in the American Hospital in Paris, where his doctors have diagnosed and said he has cancer of the liver and that it is not operable. Olson said adding that there is also signs of cancer in Hudson's blood. Hospital spokesman Bruce

Randolph told The Associated Press in Paris that Hudson's condition was satisfactory, and that the actor was under observation. Hudson collapsed at the Ritz hotel in Paris and Sunday night Olson said he's been in and out of coma. He's very sick. A very sick man. Dr. Red Square Kramer Hudson's longtime physician is in Beverly Hills, said Hudson has gone to Paris specifically to see a doctor at the Pasteur Institute. As of late Tuesday, Hudson was being tested for everything else and said, asked whether such testing includes checks for AIDS also replied everything. Olson said Hudson will be seeing additional specialists to determine if anything can be done to alleviate his condition. also noted that there had been reports the press that was suffering from AIDS which destroys the body's immune system. There are a spectrum of reports and have been neither confirmed nor denied by his doctors Olson said the doctor in Paris indicates at this point that there's no indication of what Hudson's prognosis was. He says I haven't been given one. He said he believed that doctors want to wait until after today's session before giving a prognosis. Austin's whose real name is Roy skier Jr. named his film in 1948 in fighting stardom, and starred in movies more than 50 other movies, including many of them, such as Written on the Wind 1956 something of value in 1957 after World War Two arms the 1958 the spiral row 1962 A gathering of eagles in 1963 seconds 1966 and little darlings in 1969. Conversion of a lower Westheimer bookstore into a computer equipped police center will begin next week no latest cooperative effort between public and private forces to read the area of undesirable elements police and civic groups official set Friday. It is probably the most exciting thing that has happened in years, said Gil Ramsey past president than your town Civic Association, one of several community groups in the area. Ramsey and others see the proposed lower Westheimer Police Community Center at 802 Westheimer. As a welcome symbol of efforts to change the neighborhood now plagued by prostitution, drug abuse and other crimes. City Police will stamp the Westheimer station but tax funds won't be used in the efforts at Jim Daniel Security Director for the bank that owns the vacant bookstore and plans to lease it for \$1 a year. Daniel said various businesses and civic groups are expected to pitch in and help raise the estimated 20,000 annual cost of operating the police center. We call it an adopted cop fundraising campaign because it brings police into closer contact with a neighborhood said Daniel, who works at Liberty bank at 1001 Westheimer. News of the opening of the center comes on the heels of another hopeful sign in those in the area, a boarding up of a building at 400 block of Westheimer. That is a former site of the game room, which symbolizes much of what the neighbors don't want in the area. The Game Room described by police and local residents as a video parlor hangout for prostitutes and drug abusers shut its doors Tuesday after the man who ran the place was evicted by the property owners. Mark Schmidt, president of the near town Business Alliance, said his groups and others will work with city officials to pressure other businesses such as massage parlors and topless bars to move out of the area. establishment of the police are on Westheimer was approved by the Houston City Council last month. Liberty bank will this lease the police for police use for up to 10 years Daniel said developer Jr McConnell will provide architectural design for the remodeling and pay for the furnishing, including two computer linking the center with a downtown police station Daniel said Sergeant Don Williams of the Houston Police Department central patrol community service section said at least one uniformed police officer will be on duty at the Westheimer station 24 hours a day seven days a week. Police who patrolled the area will also have access to computers, phones and other facilities in the station. He said it will have everything except holding cells. Daniel said the building permit for renovation of the 1000 foot square former bookstore was approved Friday. There will be a lot of tearing down before we can start remodeling the center. We'll accept complaints from area residents and visitors while encouraging those with information about criminal activity to share it with police, William said the sergeant credit neighborhood residents and business people in the idea of the police Center as well as the current move to read the area the so called problem businesses can't spear ah Councilman George graininess whose district includes Laurel Westheimer. So the

game room was one of several businesses on Laurel Westheimer that attracts runaways, drug dealers and prostitutes based on complaints of area residents. greenies use his influence to have City Health and fire departments check on alleged city ordinance violations of the business he said there's also a sign of violation of a sign violation that afternoon the sign came down spirit said he said the game room was not singled out or target but it was one of several establishments viewed as problems by neighborhood residents. Closing the game room was actually accomplished by eviction of the tenants. 516 Westheimer Sunday was deliberately set. The western Fire Department official said arson investigator or L Benson said he suspects a flammable liquid was used to start the fire. He said the side door to the restaurant was forced open and locked to the door broken off. He added at late Sunday there was no suspects in the case. There were no injuries in the one alarm fire at the unoccupied restaurant, which had been closed for repairs. District Chief PC right said he called arson investigators to the scene of 7pm Blaze because of the rapid spread of the fire was just too suspicious. Right said he drove by the restaurant on his way to upper sprayed only five minutes before the fire alarm set firefighters to the Japanese steakhouse. There was nothing there five minutes before the alarm. We had our windows down and there was no smell of smoke right said. He added that a portion of the upstairs roof caved in, while firefighters were battling the blaze. Robert Olson manager of the restaurant for the past five years estimated damage to the building at more than \$100,000. He said the restaurant was closed Friday for renovation which was expected to take two months can't campaigned for Houston, a political action committee, synonymous with the anti gay and anti abortion movement. Last Thursday introduced a slate of candidates of the group hopes will unseat most pro gay members of city council. The committee also endorsed former Houston Mayor Louis Welsh in his campaign for his former office. Although the group has targeted eight city council members to be considered to be pro gray. Only six straight slate candidates were introduced at a news conference at the Marriott Hotel 3000 north northwest. Dr. Steven Holsey campaign director of the organization told the standing room only crowd of about 400 that the goal is to defeat Mayor Kathy Whitmire and her eight pro homosexual city council members in the November election wittmeyer has not yet announced her candidacy holds he said a campaign for us to wants to make Houston the number one family city and the number one opportunity city in America. Candidates urge by the organization to run for council seats and council districts include Charles Carter district seat, now held by George greenies Carter is founder and CO administrator of the cathedral house SLE schools downtown Tom Holman district Ah now represented by Delgado Schinsky. Margaret holds the at large position to now held by Eleanor Tinsley, Margaret Holsey. Steve holds his mother is involved in the anti abortion and pro family movements. David justice at large position three now held by Jim Greenwood Oh J Stinger at large position for now held by Anthony Hall. Jim Kennedy at large position five, now held by Justin Robinson. Kennedy told the boisterous crowd which is often responded to candidate statements with a loud Amen, that the people have used to want a better city. We want a city to be called opportunity capital of the nation instead of pornography capital as a nation. Well, I would hold it said the crowds presence shows that there are concerns with quality of life you know, family birches don't thrive and vices are run rampant, and devices ramp at Houston today, she said and a little addendum to that story, Paul Harrison's Colin said Dr. Steven Holt's the president the campaign for Houston the group that opposes the gay rights ordinance in November's referendum stood inside the Baybrook Marriott the other night and told how his organizations will defeat council members who voted for the audience by doing a door to door campaign with information. The good doc according to Harrison also said he didn't care if the media covered his group's campaign. I hope they forget about us. If you really want us to believe that Doc, we suggest that you stop begging incessantly for press coverage. Ray Hill was there last week also. Not to be stymied by the Supreme Court. The states of Oklahoma's House of Representatives has passed legislation that would reinstate a version of the anti gay teacher statute declared invalid by the High Court

March 26. The bill has not been passed by the Oklahoma Senate and is considered dead for the year. A 1978 statute allowed for the firing of teachers who speak out in favor of public or private homosexual activity or conduct, whether on or off school grounds. And whether we're not related to school in any way. The statute was ruled unconstitutional by a federal appeals court, and the ruling was upheld by a tie vote in the state in the suit US Supreme Court. A new version which passed the house 94 To zero on May 17. According to the advocate is less comprehensive than the statute declared unconstitutional. It provides that a teacher may be fired who advocates homosexual activity during normal school or school related activities, or whose actions may be adversely affect students of schools in such a manner that the conduct results in material or substantial interference or disruption in normal activities of school. The bill also provides the teachers may be fired who engage in lesbian or gay sex that is not practiced in private. A Soviet scientist said Sunday, major research into eight is underway. The first indication that the deadly disease has spread to the Soviet Union. And Friedrich our patrol said immunity deficiencies including the acquired immune deficiency syndrome that swept through the West represents a burning medical problem. In our country research into AIDS is being carried out by a group of institutes of the Ministry of Health of the USSR and the Academy of Medical Scientist. He wrote the Moscow newspaper prob the eighth most often associated with homosexuals strips the body of immunity to other diseases. No cure has been found since it was first diagnosed in Los Angeles in 1981. Although the article did not openly admit that AIDS exist in the Soviet Union, it said a danger exists from three types of immunity deficiency heredity that caused by other illnesses and AIDS. Despite the indication that AIDS is also Soviet problem. The troll continues to blame the spread of AIDS mainly on homosexuals and drug abusers. Groups never publicly announced to exist in the Soviet Union. Soviet comments on AIDS in the past have been mainly to reinforce commendations of Western society of the problems they say do not exist in the Soviet Union. homosexuality is illegal in the Soviet Union. Most Western researchers suspect AIDS is transmitted by a virus with sexual contact groups groups are mainly gay men, drug addicts, and hemophiliacs. And finally, New York City Mayor Mario Cuomo says he doesn't understand how he would be getting picked up as one of the 10 Sexiest guys a nation by playgirl magazine. I don't even know what it means Cuomo said Monday, he noted that his wife Matilda was not on the jury. It was interesting, I'm surely light hearted. The other men on the list which appeared in the September issue are comedian John Candy. Representative Jack Kemp, actor Don Johnson of Miami, Vice ABCs, nighttime anchor and Ted Koppel. New York Mets pitcher Dwight Gooden, Indianapolis 500 Winner Danny Sullivan, musician Quincy Jones, actor Adrienne Quinn, of desperately seeking Susan and answer Alexander Goodman who turned actor In the field witness, I don't know how they picked it. And that's the news for July 25 1985. Sources for tonight's News included the advocate, gay community news, these been posted Houston Chronicle, and for KPFT Pacifica used to news and Wilde 'N' Stein collective. I'm Jack Valinski. And that's from A Chorus Line, which tonight is celebrating 10 years on Broadway. It's over longer than the longest running musical ever. And it's really a musical that really touches home talking about being lonely, doing things differently. Feeling young being young. Yes, I remember that.



Mike Miesch 25:53

Day. Yes, there are parts about it being game. Of course, a lot of theater has to do with the NBA as well. Okay, it's a favorite show of both Jack and mine. And we wanted to celebrate the 10 years that it's been onstage



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J Jack Valinski 26:10

and some of the wonderful music that does come out of the theater. Mic, you have something over there that you want to try.

M Mike Miesch 26:19

I and I know Jack does it to read a lot of flyers that come out from different people and I picked this one. It's a tele friend, which is a joint project of the Mental Health Association in Memorial Hospital in Houston is a public service provided through Memorial hospital systems, Healthline and its program of tapes, dealing with different things, problems with the family, drugs and alcohol, physical concerns, emotional and social concerns. And you, you have this flyer, and it has the list of numbers on different subjects, some of which are in Spanish, but the one that we'll be playing doesn't have a Spanish translation. Unfortunately. It's a how five seven minute tapes on different subjects, and under emotional and social concerns coping with the death of someone you love. How far is too far, dealing with sex, failing, lonely, dealing with rejection, and homosexuality in this a tape for females and a tape for males. And what you do is you call 7765050. And give the operator the number of the tape you want to hear. Tell her friend is open between 7am and 11pm. Series five, seven minute tape telephone messages designed especially for teens and young adults. And I happen to listen to the one on homosexuality. And I'll let you judge for yourself on that tape. And after we hear it. We'll

J Jack Valinski 28:28

Okay Mike, why don't you dial that number and I will do a little commercial while you're dialing that number and getting it set. You're listening to KPFT pacifically used to it.

M Mike Miesch 28:36

Alright, once I get the person on the phone, I'm going to tell them which type I want to hear. So not voiceover that part.

J Jack Valinski 28:45

Okay. So this is specific in Houston. And this station survives on your pledges and your donations to this station. And if you made a pledge during katp KPFT may amnesty marathon and you haven't paid it yet, you will be receiving a second bill in the mail this week. We still have many premiums available. So please go ahead and send in your check or money order to KPFT in the envelope you receive KPFT has received \$38,000 or 40%. That's not very good. Of the money pledged at the end of June. Your support is needed now to enable the station to get through the long hot summer. And as last year, we did it it was the dog days of summer. So please send your pledge in today. Support KPFT our tax deductible subscription and our dresses for 19 Loveett L O V E TT Houston 77006. And it's radio station like this that lets us do programming like this for the gay community about the gay community, such as doing our live broadcasts of the parade this year. And we hope to keep doing that. From you know, as time goes on, it's all a matter of where we get the support from the community to do that and Houston as she did debuts the city talk at 7pm Tuesday evenings k will be bringing various city

department heads political. And heavyweights live to you with your phone calls and talking about important issues that directly affect Houstonians. That's every Thursday at 7pm here on KPFT, FM, 90 Pacific at Houston and, you know, we talk about future shows. We're going to be talking to it keeps the I guess you shouldn't give the number out first. Because it key line is busy. Well, we'll try to get that a little bit later. Why don't we go to a song right now? When they and that's the Judy's. They're appearing tonight, as they did last week at numbers, which is at 300 Westheimer. They have a new album out called mu and it's a local band, which always support me support local music here in Houston. And, in fact, he was one of the pleasures of our marathon, David dean of the group, the duties. We said, we're gonna do a few things different this week than we normally do. Normally, we have guests on here, we talk about problems in unity, or interview people and do other things. Tonight, I'm gonna get a little bit personal. But two months ago, my sister came to town. And it was the first time she really spent a lot of time with me in recent years. And alone outside of the family structure that we really got together. And she sort of followed me around, she came to the radio show, and she did some other things that going GPC meetings and meeting my friends and really seeing how I live my life here in Houston. And it's the first time she really got really got to do that. So about a month later, she wrote a letter to me, and I'm gonna read part of that. I've just writing this letter in my head ever since I've come back from Houston. I can't believe that a whole month has passed since then. I wanted to really tell you how important that week with you was for me. I really intended to talk much about that with you while I was there, but you know me, I just start crying. I also found myself slipping into a little sister role now and then and I just chickened out. I've always been proud of you for the person you were. But I am particularly proud of you for the person you have grown up to be. I have to admit that I was a little bit apprehensive of my stay with you. Not being with you on a one one. But all of my liberal views, I really wasn't sure how I would deal with all of your friends all at once. I seen apparently open minded throughout the window in my few friends whom had been face to Earth reality. I guess that I was also afraid of being viewed as your boring little sister, I guess, that I was also striking and afraid of having to defend my heterosexuality. I suppose that sounds a little funny to you. And I shouldn't be explaining the difference of my heterosexuality with more than you especially to defend your homosexuality. I suppose that I feared being viewed as a stereotypical dumb female. Though I may be a lot of things. I certainly don't think of myself as a typical female. Always. Fortunately, my fears were never realized. I was so amazed at how nice your friends were to me. I suppose I shouldn't have been your friends have always been interesting and generally open minded. It's really strange, a way that I showed that have been fearful so much. I have worked with and been friends with gays and lesbians before. Yet to many of my friends were openly gay. The sexual orientation has never been a central topic of our conversation. Yet, that wasn't really true. I suppose that this was the first time I've ever been a minority before. I guess that's a classic example of a shoe being on the other foot. I know you felt a little bit guilty about going to work most of the days and leaving me alone. But it was really important time for me to rest such things about who I was, as well as who you are. And I saw that pin, how dare you assume I'm heterosexual. And I really didn't understand it. But as the weeks passed, I really began to realize that the initial assumption is that you were all heterosexual. And I have to admit that I find myself falling into that trap, even when I'm, even with my behavioral background converts me and that the sexuality is not a dictum, but a continuum. I guess that I assume that heterosexual male and female roles until otherwise, I suppose it's also gained a greater realization of why you felt a need to come out to mom and dad, knowing that probably that they and especially mom will never be able to accept or understand quite how you are. And I find myself resenting their inability to deal with your homosexuality more and more as time goes on. Yet I don't really know what to do about it. Mom asked me about your friends, as though they are really derelicts. She also So is ignorant, and that she fears that most homosexuals can't keep a decent job. As she puts it, I didn't give

her a copy, I did give her a copy of what every parent should know about homosexuality, which I found quite good. But I doubt she'll actually read it. Mom has a real problem with facing reality, not just with you, but with most things. I really think that though she lives, these both of us alone, she really lives in her own little world. And as her as one of her friends said to her, you know how her mother would like her to marry the person that her mother would like. But knowing that, you know that ever Mary, she would never want to marry somebody that her mother would like. And she goes on and on and talks about this thing. But at the end there, it's nice to have a big brother went out there that well is facing the cold, cruel world. And I'm glad that this brother is you. For so many years, you seem so far away. I felt like your little sister. But I'm glad that you came out of the closet, the world and to me, it's nice to be part of your life again. I love you as a child, it's nice to love you again as an adult. And when I read this letter, I really cried because it was so touching. And I wasn't really sure after my sister spent this week here in town and running out my friends and everything. And I knew I had nothing to be ashamed for. I just didn't know whether this was too much at one time or not. So I'm going to play this next song and dedicate this to my sister. [Inaudible] So you know, as I was talking about my family, my personal life, is that even though right now my sister and myself get along very well, I get along very well, my brother. Life isn't wonderful, because I still have problems doing it with my you know, getting along with my parents and them understanding me. It's really interesting is that I live such a public life. And yes, Mike is setting up the phone call right now that my parents don't quite understand that. But yet I'm able to talk to a lot of people.



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This health message is a public service of the Mental Health Association and Memorial hospital systems. Homosexuality. We're glad you call us with your questions on homosexuality, because it shows that you're interested and concerned. Whatever you've already heard about homosexuality, chances are wasn't very accurate. Even if it weren't, you probably only picked up pieces of information here and there. Despite all the coverage on TV and the newspapers, people are still reluctant to discuss homosexuality openly honestly, we'd like to help you come to a better understanding of homosexuality by talking about what it is. Before we get into what homosexual homosexuality is, maybe it would be helpful to talk about heterosexuality. heterosexuality defines a sexual relationship between Mattoon members of the opposite sex. Homosexuality refers to a sexual relationship between two members of the same sex. A homosexual can be either a man or a woman. Female homosexuals are usually called lesbians and male homosexuals are usually referred to as homosexual. Homosexuals refer prefer to be called gay, and they refer to heterosexual straights. human sexual development is such that most people prefer sexual relations with people of the opposite sex. The sexual development of some people, however, takes a different route, and they prefer people of the same sex with whom to develop sexual relations. You may be asking, but what causes someone to be gay? We don't know if there is a cause. There are a variety of theories suggesting how people become homosexual. And there's some evidence which supports the idea that homosexuals might be born with that tendency. But there's nothing definite yet. Many teens suspect they are homosexuals because they've had one or more sexual experiences with a member of their own sex. This is no reason to worry. We all go through a stage in our early teen years. When we spend most of our time with friends who are of the same sex. We often become emotionally and physically attracted to some of these friends. At the same time, we are very curious about sex and want to try a sexual experience to see what it is like one or more sexual encounters with members of the same sex doesn't make anyone homosexual or lesbian. It's just all part of growing up. Most people go on to develop heterosexual relationships. So far, we've talked about some things that should give you a better understanding of homeless sexuality. But

unlike you, there are a lot of people in this world who don't try to understand. They use words like queer or faggot when talking about gays. Labels like these tell us things need to be changed. The best thing we can do is to inform ourselves and others as to what homosexuality is all about. For example, we need to understand that you usually cannot recognize a gay person, by his or her looks or build the way he talks, or what he wears, or does for a living. It may surprise you to know that only 5% of the male gays, and 15% of the female gays can be recognized by the characteristics we mentioned. Besides informing ourselves and others about homosexuality, we need to remember that, like everyone else, gays need to be accepted as they are. Most gays do not want to change and they don't want pity. Be natural, treat them as you would treat anyone else. If you have a friend or know someone who is gay, finding out their sexual preference shouldn't change how you feel about that person. After all, he or she hasn't changed, he or she is still the same person you've come to like, whose company you enjoy. We've explained that homosexuality is a term that describes a sexual relationship between members of the same sex. The causes of homosexuality are unclear. We also mentioned that many teens think that they are gay because they've had one or more sexual experiences with members of the same sex. But these experiences do happen in the sexual development process. Most people go on to develop, develop heterosexual relationships. If you want more information on homosexuality, or feel that you need someone to talk to anonymously, call the Mental Health Association at 5225161. Or the United Way line at 5270222.

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Jack Valinski 42:03

Well, I mean, we're taking score on that where they're actually the tape was pretty good. But there were some things you want to take score on probably should start from the end, don't necessarily use those numbers. You want some more information on the gay community call the gay and lesbian switchboard at five to 930 to 11. And they're open till I believe midnight weekdays, they open up, sometimes around three, sometimes around six, and they have late hours on weekends, at least they try to they really try to keep them open as much as they can.

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Mike Miesch 42:31

And well, the thing I took tasks with was while it's fairly nice day, it really didn't inform me very much on homosexuality. Well,

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Jack Valinski 42:43

but don't forget, you know a lot about sexuality. Well, that's

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Mike Miesch 42:47

true. But I mean, just well, you know, I tried to put myself I know, even though it's hard, like you mentioned, as I knew nothing at all?

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Jack Valinski 43:00

Well, I think it says a lot to somebody who doesn't know anything at all. And if maybe if you're

well, I think it says a lot to somebody who doesn't know anything at all. And it maybe if you're afraid to pick up that phone and call the guy switchboard, don't want to talk to a real voice. If you can just ask for that tape by number on the phone. And it's sort of anonymous. And for somebody who's afraid to do that, or just coming out or is really young, can listen to that tape. It's somewhat informative, if you don't know very much about the subject and saying base, probably. But like I said, I wouldn't necessarily use those phone numbers at the end. And speaking of young people, there's a poster here in the studio. And it says, young adults and teenagers if you are tired of being hassled by unreasonable parents, now is a time for action leave home and pay your way your own way while you still know everything. Sir, an interesting little, little thing. And as we're talking about teenagers, there's a movie, which I was lucky enough to see in New York called streetwise which is coming to the Greenway theater three theaters soon doesn't say exactly when. And we're not gonna get into it too deeply. Tonight, I'm just wanting to mention if you can see this film at all see it. It is about people living on the streets in Seattle. I'm glad they decided to take some city outside New York because Middle America might realize that these problems exist not only in New York, but many cities around the country, including Houston. And it's like living with these kids on the street. The Ages are 13 to 19. And the camera follows them around and it's like you're right there and it's real. And you don't even realize it's a film. It's in their real lives. It's real people's lives that they followed. One kid visits his parents in jail and the man is smoking like crazy. Yeah, he's telling his kids not to smoke and he makes his kids pick up his sleeve. And go I can go on and on like this just like evil and Cisco did on at the movies and they were talking about this scene and they end up talking about next scene. It was just the whole movie is just wonderful. So if you get to see it at all, or you have any chance to see it, please do see it. It does address a lot of the problems of what these people have to lived through how they're somewhat of a family. They all live together, the males and the females. The movie is called streetwise. It's a documentary on people who live in the streets ages 13 to 19. And it should be coming soon to the Greenway three theaters, which is at the Greenway Plaza. It's a little bit hard to find it's underneath the parking areas free parking if you get validated stamps right off the freeway at edlow Buffalo speedway. So let's play another song and have a few more things to talk about. As politically active gays work to secure their legal and economic rights of lesbian homosexuals, a central disagreement has arise the question of principles as much as tactics. The majority believe that most gays are essentially like straights safe where the seemingly disturbing but actual neutral and irreverent matter of affectional preference to this way of thinking lesbian gay men are like women and men everywhere and represent the same ethnic and social economical diversity as heterosexual. Their leaders think that the function of gay liberation is to diffuse fear and hatred of homosexuals through education and to secure legislation, ending discrimination in housing and employment. Gay subculture, they might add as merely defensive and get created by prejudice and likely to dissolve once gays are integrated into the mainstream. The best way to bring about assimilation is working within the system. Through electing officials sympathetic to gays battling bigots in court cases, and educating the public at large by sensitive and liberal television programs, movies and books. More practically, adolescents in schools should be informed that certain sex education civic class about the range of human sexual expression and the need for tolerance to over overcome misleading stereotypes about gays. The public needs to learn that gay women can be feminine, gay man can be masculine. Gays of both sexes can be religious, successful and business dependable as members of the community responsible as parents and so on. The image of gays as child molesters as unsuitable employees as atheist, as freaks given over weird sexual scenes, transfusion, leather promiscuity must be seriously corrected. Even at the price of this bowing the more bizarre elements of the gay community radical glaze deplore almost everything about this approach as a strategy. It's dangerously wrong they feel politicians are always in the need of issues. A scandal and enemy and gays are safe minority of groups to attacked. Now that has become so

difficult for campaign campaigning politicals to take stands or sustain matters local national office sectors are all more attracted to inflammatory moral issues abortion era fair in the classroom homosexuality, these gays are especially vulnerable in the political climate. Obviously the best ways to attack gays is by scaring the public with loat stories of gay sex rings, orgies, pedophilia, sadomasochism, mass murderer, drug addiction, and so on. Gay radicals might gays are often strong as most exposed exposed Frank, once in power begin to drag match as and prosecute gay freaks, and then the entire gay community. No matter how ordinary and respectable it might be, will quickly come under attack. It does no good to disavow all questionable elements in the gay life, we must defend them so much for tactics. As for ideals, way radicals have no desire to see gay normalize and turn into useful members of the system as it now exists. They believe that gays can serve as a vanguard of liberation movement that might transform American society into something better, more human, more radical part of community with one another. So a Marxist who envisioned that the alliance between gays and the working class, they feel that the oppression of gays and the port terian makes them a natural allies. The radicals are feminists who consider homosexuality as reflecting of traditional cycling's roleplaying gaze art to explore the territory territorial unknown. Still, other radicals are back to the earth hippies or Orban. People are anarchists, no matter what shade of ideology they must espouse. Their lesbian gay men are more concerned with working out a correct position than with winning, winning over most of them are distrustful of the electoral politics and the machinery of a conservative society. Many of the new left's leftists of the 60s were of that type want to add something?

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Mike Miesch 49:57

Alright, let me say Credit. Artists start on. For the most part, I agree with that. It's interesting there was during Gay Pride Week, as there always is. We get real concerned about our media image. And the kind of people's, for instance we have on the different floats. The thing that I kind of suggest that we all do is look at our publications. At times, I get so frustrated with them, the state and local ones in particular, is that I mean, we talking about maybe the so called extremes. The drag queens are the Lazar, people look in the publications and see how often you see those images. And also and then to another extreme. Yeah, let's

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Jack Valinski 51:10

talk about the other extreme.

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Mike Miesch 51:13

How there's pardon the expression, how straight some of our gay publications are, we you don't really see that. Or T shirts, yes,

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Jack Valinski 51:24

Gay Pride Week T shirts with the we're not the word gay or on Lower West Ham or when the flags were up, there was the United States flag, the Texas flag where it was the gay flag, or where was the gay pride flag?

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Mike Miesch 51:36

That's true. Also, like, I remember having a talk with one friend, preparing for an interview I did with gay project committee, the first one where I go, Well, I am going to ask about why isn't gay on the t shirt? And I go, Well, telling me Alright, um some people would say that I don't have a right to complain about it, because I'm not involved with Gay Pride Week. And he goes, Well, you are a registered voter, and you do bow to your butt to get back on something like, when I look at the publications, there's all this space towards entertainment, and a lot of it really has very little to do about the gay lifestyle. Well, that's in the art columns and whatnot. I, I'd like to see some of the Texas and local publications talk about gay art escape performers. And gay riders. Little bit more than they do. Well, we have both mentioned that paper we both enjoy it well. And I'll name another publication though. Mainly GCN. And body politic. That has that sort of consciousness.

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Jack Valinski 53:06

Well, you know, I think we try to do some of that covering. Whenever we hear about something like well, the talking about the movie, streetwise. That's not directly a gay issue. But there's a lot of things that deal with the gay issue there. There is one gay person in this film, which I didn't mention, but and how he deals with life on the streets. And that's one example of what we try to cover. We try to talk about some of the books published. Whenever we interview something we try not to do commercial art, we try to talk about gay art, although some of it may be many, much of it is commercial gay art, right? We talked about shows like brothers on TV, the HBO documentary on gay people, which is which effect which was filmed here in Houston. Whenever something like that comes up, you know, we try to catch it and talk about it. And sometimes it's not, it's not good sometimes. The shows we talk about the things we talked about is not the greatest, but it does, you know, it does do some education about the gay issues. Whenever the revoke show something or whatever the greenup ratio, something we try to talk about it another country was something we talked about all right, consenting adults.

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Mike Miesch 54:13

And it might be mentioned that in the future, I'm going to be doing some interviews with some people from different Well, different publishers. For one Allison publications that is doing a great deal in publishing gay and lesbian literature. And some of what they're doing is financially successful. But as minority group or alternative publishing, they're still small by means of, well, the mainstream.

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Jack Valinski 54:56

Yeah, well, that that is true. You know, the alternative is sometimes hard to find. And one of the things that we don't have to worry about as being commercially successful on the radio show. So we may turn away some people who are not, you know, we're not talking about what's going on at this bar, what contest is going on at that bar this weekend, when it has to do with raising money for community events, we may talk about it. But that's not our purpose. Here, our

purpose is to enrich the gay lifestyle. And people who are in the gay lifestyle, or would like to be in the gay lifestyle, who are just coming out of their closet, or are some young people or some people who are not gay, but are interested in what we're doing. And the referendum, you know, we keep talking about the referendum what it did, and, and this little commentary, and I've even forgot where I got this from, because it's been so long since I typed it. You know, that looks at both sides there, you know, should we be so close to these politicians? And just say, well, we're real happy to know you and not ask anything from them? Or should we take the radical approach and say, hey, you know, we got we helped get you elected. Now, what are you going to produce for us, just getting people elected is one thing, but having them do something for us, and with our support with our working on it, and everything like that, is also important, because just having them elected doesn't doesn't solve our problems, you know, they're still violence. Speaking of that, I've got a call from HPU. Last night asked him for money. And boy, did I let that person have it? You know, as a part, another person I was serving what was going down here and lower Westheimer, about three months ago, we started talking to all the businesses, but what we noticed were the people who were being arrested off the streets were minorities, right? We're you know, including Hispanics, black and gay people. I didn't see all these 19 Sixers or memorial kids get arrested yet they had their cars, the blaring real loud with the stereos and et cetera, et cetera. But let's not get too heavy into this, because we covered a little bit with the news. They are working on opening the police station, there is some work being done on that. And we will be taught and that's saying the problem solved. Of course not. It's not solved. Closing down the game room hasn't solved the problem. You know, those kids need to go somewhere they need to have some type of help or something. In two weeks from tonight, Councilman George greenscents, will be here. And we'll be discussing some of those problems with him because he's very much involved with it's his district. And you know, in the paper, it says all these wonderful Oregon community organizations are so much behind it. But there's other problems. You know, where these people go, no, they run away from home. Closing down game rooms does not solve the problem.

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Mike Miesch 57:35

It's well, it's all thing of sweet sweeping the dust under the rug. Absolutely. And is when you're talking about minority minority, the different ethnic minorities and gays being arrested. That just oh, gosh, brings back to my mind. One of Ray's court cases back in 81 that he won over the ordinance impeding passage, which was you is used and was is yes. All right. Multiply in different parts of town to discriminate against different peoples be the black, Hispanic or downtown women.

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Jack Valinski 58:18

The Joe Compos Torres case, right, which get very simplified was a Hispanic man, who was not the most law abiding student citizen was pulled off out of a bar by a few policemen and taken down to the Ship Canal and drowned by police officers and I mean, this was all document and everything but yet they got I believe scot free if I'm not mistaken. And things have improved, but there still are a lot of problems. Have you ever watch a cop drive down the street following not following traffic regulations? Of course, you know, I know everybody drives crazy in the city it's part of the way the city is but that doesn't allow cops to go through red lights to speed through intersections and

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Mike Miesch 59:05

they more than the rest any more than the rest of us. That's

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Jack Valinski 59:07

true. Well, maybe we should get off this subject and and talk about something different. In fact, this song will sort of really get us off the subject. And of course, from A Chorus Line 110 years ago today it I believe it was today and he opened on Broadway. And from such as small musicologist reviews were just incredible. I was lucky enough to see it in London. And just it was fantastic there too. So American such an American play talking about growing up in Buffalo. One of the one of the things I'll never forget from that show was committing suicide and buffalo is redundant. And just talk about growing up growing up being a little bit different than everybody else. And that really, really relates to a lot of what a lot of us went through. And being in love with theater with movies, and I wasn't really one of those people who spent a lot of time in the movie theater, like I keep reading about gay people did. Unfortunately, I didn't have a good selection of movie theaters where I live, and that's probably why. But whenever I saw theater, it was just such a escapism, I guess, and, and being up on stage and being in front of people.

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Mike Miesch 1:00:40

Well, during my teens, I spent a lot of time auditioning for musicals. And so when I saw it is like, it just it it shook my body. I mean, it was a is a physical experience. Because I mean, the empathy with characters on stage are so total.

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Jack Valinski 1:01:00

Yes. And each one had their own little life story. Oh, and no, it was, I don't know how many started out first, they weeded down so many, then they went down. And finally at the end of the show, they pick, you know, the ones that they were going to go with. And it was really such a such a heavy play. But yet it was it was fun to very much fun. And, you know, we talked about the difficulties of being a gay person in this city with the referendum coming up with there are a lot of things to celebrate, you know, such as the theater, and going, you know, going to see shows and things like that, and living in a community that is somewhat like a small town. And not to say we don't have our problems here. But you know, we started that our own bank, our own theater and our own radio station, somewhat to say. And it's really a thriving area, you go out some of that vast wasteland, outside loop. And everything is the same between the strip shopping centers, and the apartment complexes that look that look like they're all stamped out. And you come into this section of town, and it's so individual, you know, we have street cafes, and we have some nice restaurants and hip, I own set of traffic problems on the weekends. But it's very much a different experience than the rest of the city. And in fact, I was supposed to have lunch with a few people today and didn't work out. But this other person went she came into Montrose. And she went to one of the restaurants and she says, Well, it really sort of reminded me being back home in London, which is sort of a compliment. Of course, it's not like that on Friday or Saturday nights when our kids come in and

M Mike Miesch 1:02:35
wreak havoc. Yeah.

J Jack Valinski 1:02:38
Drive up down the streets. Not to say that, you know, like the club's coming to numbers or something like that which, you know, enriches the community, entertainment is fine. And we are the least people to criticize people for being different. We should be,

M Mike Miesch 1:02:57
but it's true. And it's that word that keeps on popping up. When I talk about wealth and stone or KPFT diversity, and instead of variety is the spice of life or diversity is the spice of life. And it has been at KPFT in within the gay community.

J Jack Valinski 1:03:20
Yeah, yeah. I don't know if you know, when we have a station meeting and sort of like being un here, because there are so many different types of people, different types of people and people with different interests. Were yet everybody seems to be interested in KPFT. Continuing on to do what it does. And we have this space on Thursday evenings from 730 to nine and the atheist have their space from seven 730, sometimes from 630 to seven, and breakthrough women's program on Friday mornings, which is 15 to 11am. Cheering Wolf and pokey Anderson do that show. And basically, it's with women's music. And I'm sure I didn't see them last week, but I'm sure they played an awful lot of Joan Baez a great deal. And if you were lucky to see that show last night, it was very, very good. And this is the type of station that talks about it. You know, you don't hear much about that on some of the other stations. Talking about Joan Baez, who was one of the leaders and of the change movement in music, talked about her singing to Mr. King during the integration period down south. And yes, we have come a long way in 20 years that she said doesn't mean he still don't know we still have a lot further to go. But things have changed. Things have changed for gay people is right talk last week Rihel talked about being an American, which was just really an incredible speech that he gave last week. And you know, we do have things to offer to society. In fact, next week, we're going to be interviewing somebody talking about getting together and doing something within the community to help cleaning up some of the streets. And let's well let's talk about Some of our future shows

M Mike Miesch 1:05:02
Bill Scott at the Montrose counseling center will be doing, I believe his hour and a half play safe workshop in a time period of 4045 minutes next week. And that should be quite interesting. This prepared presentation he has been getting what is an hour and a half down by half. And

J Jack Valinski 1:05:24

on August the eighth. Mr. Green Yes. Councilmember from District C. has also said he's considering running for mayor right now we'll be talking about some of the problems on the Westheimer. And on the 22nd. Deborah Dannenberg State Representative 137, we'll be talking about the session we'd hope to have her on earlier, but with all the Gay Pride week going on in her beat, trying to get her practice back up again. She will, so she'll be tartlet on the 22nd of August, of course, we're going to continue on, start gearing up towards the election, but we don't want to burn you out too quickly. Monday night is the fundraiser for Kathy Whitmire at the Shamrock hotel. And rumors is that she may announce her candidacy then already Mr. Welsh has been putting ads in the local papers and publications about becoming mayor and trying as well. Oh, yes, radio. Also, I didn't hear those commercials. But I understand that she did also radio, tossing in the hat and trying to tell people who haven't lived here a long time, what a wonderful time it was back then.

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Mike Miesch 1:06:34

You wouldn't hear that from some of the people who lived here.

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Jack Valinski 1:06:38

I'm sure and I haven't heard that from people who have lived here in the past. But anyway, we want to sort of leave this show with a happy note and, you know, celebrate our lifestyle. The way things are in the community. And we do have some things to celebrate positive thinking, think about yourself, think about the friends you have in the community. And you know what you're doing to improve it and a lot of is to be positive, you have to do positive things. Whether it's being involved in an organization, of course, there are problems within organizations. But if you don't do something, you really don't have much of right complaint. If you don't vote, you have no right to complain about the political process here. And every vote does count. We may be somewhat outnumbered at times, but at least you put your best foot forward and doing something like that. So this is another edition of Wilde 'N' Stein coming very soon to a close. This is KPFT Pacifica foundation station. And if you liked what you heard the past hour and a half we'll be back next week at the same time. And if you'd like to donate or call or complain or anything like that, you can call the station tomorrow between normal business hours and invoice your opinion on how arrived your rights of opinion and how this show is run or how any other show is run. Gene Palmquist was the station manager. And she does look forward to listening to our listener response because it's you people who make up this radio station on us here behind the microphones. We're just one of the vehicles of doing things

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Mike Miesch 1:08:22

do send in your pledge. You can send it in to our one nine love it Boulevard. Houston, Texas 77006 It's never too late

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Jack Valinski 1:08:35

and we want to thank you for listening. Not a dad to calm down. It was calm believe in my input this week. That's the Wilde 'N' Stein show. Please join Mike Miesch, myself, Jack Valinski next Thursday at 7:30pm for another edition of a small station program. This program is to be

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Jack Valinski 1:10:07

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