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But Peter Staley of act of New York says his organization won't be bought off, I don't think act up as collectible. First off, it's



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too anarchic an organization to for me or anybody else to be able to sell it out.



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Steve Lee, who was the organizer of the to 1989 protests was also the negotiator with Burroughs welcome, though he said he won't stop criticizing burrows. He says he's finding out that the company has its good points.



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They spent more on AIDS research than any company in the world. And that, that says something. They could have gone through all those battles we had with them in 1987 through 89. And said, the heck with this. We're out of here. We're not going to deal with this disease. There's too much headache, but they didn't. Their commitment has remained steadfast. And that means something to the community. I think it should. That says more than anything else. Even this million dollars.



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The million dollar grant from Burroughs welcome will be administered by the American Foundation for AIDS research, and used for community based research on AIDS drugs. In San Francisco, I'm not buying.



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The ABC TV networks in a new light on Saturday night July 11, was a star studded two hour special to raise AIDS awareness. The show combined entertainment and education in an effort to motivate people to get involved in the fight against the epidemic. We wanted to share one of our new lights very special moments with you. It came from one of the performers of heartstrings a touring AIDS education song and dance show. Ladies and gentlemen. Now Carter



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I like to dedicate this to my brother Dr. Bernard Taylor. Who is no longer in PE Bobby was smiling. The reason why students are so important to me is because it was the first time I was able to come up publicly and defy my parents and my family and



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the real zealots religious zealots on both sides and say yes, my brother was gay. Yes, my brother died. Yes, I loved him. Yes, I still love him. And I will always love him



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This is Monica Palacios as to God fajita combo. You listen to this way out the international lesbian and gay magazine.



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Find recruiters find tender young recruit and put



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we go down to school. Yeah, let's really show ours. My turn near that playground was 10% is not enough.



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Last week openly gay Los Angeles City School Board Member Jeff Horton discussed the Lesbian and Gay Pride Month proclamation he steered the passage in June and the minor but vocal homophobic response to it with this way out. Greg Gordon. The lesson plan this week includes Hortons background, queer parenting, and public education as a gay and lesbian issue.



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Thank you for taking some time out of what is I know it's easy to say very busy schedule but indeed with the budget crisis that is gripping California and how it's affecting education as well as many other social service programs, it's it's great that you've been able to make some time.



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This issue, the issue of sexual orientation of gay and lesbian students has such a clear moral dimension, that it's a good antidote to the budget mess, which is fraught with ambiguity. So I, I'm really glad to be here and to talk about this issue.



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As far as I know, you and Tom amiano in San Francisco are the only openly gay because our as far as we don't know, open lesbian members of school boards around the country. Is that the case as far as, as far as I know, yes, now of course, Tom amiano ran as an openly gay member, you came out as part of National Coming Out Day last year, I'm sure that took a lot of soul searching, or did it I really



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wanted to do it. And I would have done it sooner except base. I was a little nervous about doing it before the election. But once I was elected, I wanted to do it to acknowledge Coming Out Day and make an event of



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it. And you certainly did, you know, splashed all over the



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place that was in the midst of the demonstrations, too. They be one on one. So it was part of quite a month really Forrest,



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why don't you give us a bit of a Reader's Digest on your profile so that we can get to know where you've been to get you to where you are now.



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Well, I grew up in Los Angeles, the suburbs and was a very successful high school student sublimated a great deal of energy, went to Yale University, graduated from there in 1969. travelled a little bit, started teaching in Los Angeles and got placed at Crenshaw High School, a mostly black school in South Central Los Angeles, where I taught English and reading and where my education about being a minority really started. And I became conscious of being a

minority through the experience of the black people that I worked with. I got active in my union, which included among others, Jackie Goldberg. We got involved in school board politics, as we were in Union politics, and got Jackie Goldberg elected to the school board in 1983. She was a progressive woman teacher, very active all her life. After two terms, Jackie was tired of being on the school board, and we talked about it and I decided to run for the school board, was elected in April of 91. been in office just over a year.



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Of course, the whole issue of children is probably one of the last frontiers for the gay and lesbian movement. We've always been on the defensive to try to say no, we're not child molesters, etc. I started



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out on this issue by wanting to make the schools responsive to gay and lesbian students. That was my primary concern. But it became clear that as much of the job was to make our gay and lesbian community responsive to the needs children openly and as they should, and that one of the worst parts of homophobia, one of the most oppressive parts to get a little theoretical here is the denial of our right really to participate in raising the next generation. I mean, it takes away that sense of participating in an ongoing sequence of humanity, when we are vilified so consistently as regards children and told we are not fit to be around or help raise children. So that's a real fundamental denial. I have felt that personally, and I know many gay men and lesbians feel it in one way or another.



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I think, for any gay man that had ever wanted to reach out to youth, there was always that fear that they were automatically going to be assumed to have some ulterior motive. And I it's sad, because I'm sure that a lot of wonderful adult role models and educators and counselors never had the opportunity to express those talents because of that fear and because of that stupid myth and stereotype.



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And yet the presence of the impulse is testified to by the disproportionate I believe number of teachers and other child care providers of one sort or another who are gay men and lesbians.



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The homophobes are very vocal and our community has got to vocal



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things like Boy Scouts and Big Brothers and those in various ways. Some people from inside I know some gay men who are active in the boy scouts and they feel they're making progress. And I you know, it has to be fought on all fronts. I applaud them and I fought coordination to with their more assaultive tactics, they're all



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probably one of the most well known names in connection with helping gay and lesbian students is Virginia here. So I'm sure work with her. Oh,



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absolutely. She's my inspiration. I mean, I I know I wouldn't have the understanding that I do and certainly not the willingness to push on this and to do what I can with that Virginia. She absolutely is leaving us all on this.



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For those who may not know who we're talking about Virginia Ruby as Fairfax High School. She's a teacher that started Project 10, which is a counseling program and support group for gays and lesbian students in high schools in Los Angeles. And I'm sure she had no idea that it would mushroom to the extent that it has I mean, it's it's an idea whose time is long since come? Yes. And it's all over the country now. powers the budget crisis is going to impact whatever meager funding that I



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think we can just have to have for salary. I think we can keep it



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school board has not been pouring hundreds of 1000s of dollars. Gosh,



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no, it's been almost nothing. Virginia has raised a lot of her own money and paid for a lot of stuff. The school district has a minimum contribution



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10% of the kids coming up our brothers and sisters, and we do have a stake in making it better for them. That's right,



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and they are is still in dire need. And as everybody knows, they can't count on their families for support. They need parenting and there are ways to be involved in that their programs, in cities, youth programs, and so forth mentoring programs. There's a lot that gay men and lesbians should do. I think that another issue that's important to be clear on is the way that gay and lesbian issues in the schools impact on gender issues, because the more gay and lesbian people are denied, say participation in parenting, it also reinforces those kind of gender stereotypes that are oppressive to women. It's really two sides of the same coin, I think because it's all has to do with enforcing gender roles.



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And people of color issues to it really, it really irritates me for gay white man to simply not understand the connection. You know, any kind of oppression get



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involved at the school. There's a lot you can do. Don't be afraid.



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I've been talking with Jeff Horton, who's a member of the Board of Education of the city of Los Angeles and openly gay member of the school board. Jeff, thanks for visiting with us.



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It's my pleasure. And everybody come on out. You'll like it.



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For the straight folks who don't mind gays, but wish they weren't so blatant.



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The late Pat Parker, lesbian, feminist, black poet, activist,



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you know, some people got a lot of nerves. Sometimes I don't believe that things I see and hear. Have you met the woman who shocked by two women kissing and in the same breath tells you that she's pregnant. But gays shouldn't be blatant. Or the straight couple sits next to

you in a movie, and you can't hear the dialogue because of the sound effects. But gays shouldn't be blamed. And the woman in your office, spend your whole lunch hour talking about her new bikini drawers and how much her husband likes them. But gays shouldn't be blamed. You go in a public bathroom. And all over the walls. There's John loves Mary Janice digs, Richard tepid loves Dolores, etc. But gays shouldn't be labeled. Or you go to an amusement park, and there's a tunnel of love and pictures. The streets painted on the front and grinning couples coming in and out. But gays shouldn't be blatant. Fact is blatant Heterosexuals are all over the place. Supermarkets, movies, at work, in church, in books on television every day and night. Every place even in gave us and they want gay men and women to go hide in the closets. So to you straight folks, I say Sure. I'll go if you go to, but I'm polite. So after you



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Thanks for choosing this way out the international lesbian and gay radio magazine. This week Cindy Friedman. moksa Camana Glen Reader, Burt Weiland and Matt Binder contributed program material. Thanks also to Mike Alkali Herman Padilla and Pacifica network news. The original



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London cast of cabaret and Tom Wilson Weinberg performed some of the music you heard and Kim Wilson composed and performed our theme music.



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we'd also like to hear from you with any comments, suggestions or questions you might have or just to let us know you're listening right to this way out post office box 38327 Los Angeles, California 90038 And please be sure to include the call letters of the station. This way I was produced by Lisa Chapelle and Greg Gordon and we thank you for listening on wy so Yellow Springs WP que en Bridgeport and access community radio Auckland among others and for supporting this local community radio station.



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Stay tuned

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I'm front. Okay, now we're back. Okay, so front. Diane is directing the show this evening. So I do some news and public event stuff.

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Would you do me a favor jewel? Rustle some papers format. Gotta love that. Love that sexy,

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isn't it?

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It is in a way. I don't know why. What's that girl? Okay, we've got some news for ya. As usual, let's all say it together. Lots of important stuff. Okay,

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make sure you have your pencil and paper handy. There's lots of interesting things going on. And mom on phone calls tonight.

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Look at those phone lines light up,

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we probably got to take some calls a little later. So if you have something you want to talk about something have

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specifically like the gha stuff, or maybe questions about act up or there's some some news items that we're going to read out to you. If you have questions about those organizations just go out and let us know. Five to six





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4000. That's 526 4000. And if we, if we connect with something that you're talking about on the radio, May we'll put you on the air we'll talk about a little bit.



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Yeah. first bit of news we have for you. We get lots of flyers here, guys, if you have flyers for events, bring them to us, because we'll talk about them. One of the ones I have and of course I always get these activist things. Gosh, I don't know why. This one says storm the Astrodome. The time for talk is over 11 years plus into the AIDS crisis and the federal government still has no national AIDS plan. Their reports and empty promises are not enough. Join act up the AIDS coalition unleash power in a mass protest and civil disobedience at the Republican National Convention in Houston. Monday, August 17. At six o'clock PM, they're going to be marching from Harmon Park, which is at the corner of Fannin and McGregor to the Astrodome. There's a couple of contact numbers. Jim Hall, and in Kansas City. This is a nationwide deal here folks, we've got lots and lots Oh folks coming down. Jim Hall in Kansas City is 816-753-5930. That's 816-753-5930. And also the coordination Information Line. The queer hotline is 713 Of course 5292969 Okay, that's one. The next one I have here is for smile Smy A L, sexual minority youth assistance League of Houston. That's 520 teen is their hotline number 5208336. And that's peer support for gay lesbian, bisexual and questioning youth and young adults. We're talking about ages 16 through 22 here so if that's you please do give them a call. They've got speakers bureau community education, product projects, discussion groups, the talk line, they do have weekly meetings on Saturday afternoons from four to 6pm. And actually, I've been to a couple of these. I don't fit that age group anymore. Just barely all you guys snickering out there. There at intercare Hospital that 7601 fan and it's kind of intimidating when you walk through the front doors being that it is a hospital and everything. It's not hospital as in sanitized, kind of, you know, scary hospital scariness. It's just looks rather professional and clean and you walk in the building and you go back through a cafeteria like place and the meeting room is very comfortable. The people there are wonderful. So give them a call at five to 18 We've got some other stuff here. I think jewel has some things for you. Yeah,



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some things of special interest for me. My parent organization at Baron Care Center is going to be one of the sponsors of the club, Carmel 92. You heard the PSA before we came on the show this evening. And I have a news release here. It says several Houston HIV service providers have come together to organize club carnival 92 celebration to be held on Sunday September 13. From 11am Until three at the Metropolitan Multi service center 1475 was grey food and entertainment prices will be available and available free to HIV and AIDS infected individuals and families and friends. It's an opportunity to bring it to people whose lives have been touched with HIV. So Jody Huckabee, my boss, Administrator for Barron community service Foundation, one of the 10 sponsors of the event. Other sponsors are the AIDS Foundation office by positive critical care home nutritional services, the NAACP PWA coalition. Entertainment will be music and Carville style games.



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Would that be the perpetual bobbing for cucumbers?



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I hope so. I hope so.



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I said that for you, Jimmy.



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Let's see Sebastian Whitaker and the creators will be there. Sebastian Whitaker, whose recent album searching for the truth released through justice records, offers music in the classic jazz name. So if you end up jazz come down and join them. Other features include they're going to do bingo and face painting fortune telling clowns and more. It's going to be painting Yeah, it's gonna be a big, big party. So anybody interested in volunteer should call Peggy sales with the AIDS Foundation Houston at 6236796 also have some TV News. I'm glad I got handed this glad. Gay Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation. Yeah, because there's a lot of stuff about TV this this week. And a couple of things on here is that the people gay lesbians Alliance Against Defamation suggest that you write the Northern Exposure people and let them know that we'd like to see more of the kind of program they've been doing. Recently they did a show about the foremothers of Sicily, Alaska, which was I thought, well, wow, what



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a show. Well



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done. I've seen it a couple times. I taped it and I'm backwards and forwards. Rosalyn, I'm telling you, I want Rosalyn in a major way. Yeah, I really want to be and if you want to see some more program like that on Northern Exposure, here's an address you can write to. You can write to Joshua brand B r a n d. Executive producer Northern Exposure. Finnegan FYI, in in EA GA N. Pinchuk, Pa n ca Huk productions. Well, that's a mouthful for two to five Coldwater Canyon Studio City, California. 91604. There's also some question about Jackie, on the Roseanne show coming out this fall hours.



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I have a quick question about Northern Exposure. I don't know. Maybe I was dozing just a moment ago, but specifically with North northern exposure if those are the four mothers of Northern Exposure. And a lot of the characters in current day Sicily, went back to play there

foremothers and forefathers. Then why can't we have a lesbian couple on our current day Northern Exposure?



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We think there's a gay male couple who run a bed and breakfast. They don't show up that often though, but we'd like to see them. So these this is the way to address some of these questions to the producers is to write to these people the Finnegan pin productions, say thanks and give them a couple of suggestions. Also with Roseanne. They're considering letting Jackie have a be a lesbian. Have a little rat lesbian relationship and I'd love to see that



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one a woman in uniform. I'm telling you that girl knows how to wear a cop uniform



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shirt. Laurie Metcalf also played a lesbian in a movie called Internal Affairs. I don't know if you saw it, but she was in it. I enjoyed it. You can write to and this will be cool anyway just right Roseanne Arnold co executive producer Roseanne cart, Carsey Warner company 402. For Radford Avenue, that was a tough one at 4024 and that Studio City, California two, also and that's 91604 If you're a soap fan, there's a gay teen story on one life to live that's going to be a look at anti gay hysteria and prejudice faced by gay and lesbian teens taping I watch it every day. So if you're interested kind of keep an eye on that and you can write to one life to live ABC TV 40 West 66th Street New York New York.



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Q guy Little Billy is to have you seen him a little no have a lawn guy about 16 years old. His name is Billy and he's a homo and he's not quite okay with it. Yeah, but he's really trying. And there's a preacher there that defense and like a good guy preacher want, you know, wow, where'd they get that? What kind of good guy preachers are on TV any other place? All right. Well,



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on this also with this Bolton that came From the GLAAD people I'm loving that name they glad people is some information I want to share about local information on TV Masterpiece Theater, which is on tomorrow night and was on last Sunday night is airing a story about a lesbian relationship of British author author Vita Sackville West. And it's Do you know who this woman is? She wasn't she also photographer.



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One of the early photographers know, well, the faculty of West wrote books. I know that right, right. But the deal is that she had like, she had relations she got around, basically. Thank you, Susan, by the way, Susan was wanting to let me in on all this cool information. She supposedly had an affair with Marlena Dietrich, she had an affair with Virginia Woolf. So she played the social set, let's say,



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I heard about Virginia Woolf and she was married all the time. Yeah, the deal is this



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the story was written by her son Ben. And her and her husband basically, were both gay. And her husband thought about being gay as simply a sex act kind of advice that he just you know, had to have on the side. But she really fell in love with another woman and he was extremely jealous of this other woman and, and basically that's the story of the evolving relationship between these three and eventually four people.



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Also, Well, that'll be tomorrow night, tomorrow night Sunday. At nine o'clock it'll be part two of a three parter. The third part will be next Sunday night at the same time at nine o'clock Masterpiece Theater. So if you if you have some friends out there who have VCR, maybe you can find them catch somebody might have caught the first part. And if you want to address some people about this programming, want to see more. You can write to Donald Marbury Marbury, Director television program fund Corporation for Public Broadcasting. You can actually the easier way would be send it to channel eight here in Houston, they'll still forwarded on to the correct people. And last but not least, about TV is in the life is on the air. The pilot for an hour long variety program focusing on gay and lesbian community hosted by lesbian. Kate Clinton.



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Kate, what a baby.



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Kate, what a baby. Yes. Did you see her when she was really?



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I didn't get to see her? No, but I watch her every time I can. And I want to know if anybody knows the gossip out there. Tell me the gossip on her and over she vade see if they're still together I heard over she made is the ex Director of the National Gay Lesbian Taskforce. And

one of my personal heroes. I don't care what you folks say. I want to find out if they're still together, because if they're not, I don't know. I'm calling them. Both of them.



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Well, you know, Joanne and Marty are not together anymore. Oh, really? I was a little disappointing to Ireland and Margie Adams have separated we kind



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of thought that Lee she talked about that last time. Yeah, she was anywhere on.



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And let's get back to TV lesbian comedian Kate Clinton. And it was offered to the PBS affiliates during June and July is produced by WNYC in New York by gay filmmaker John Ooh skag allottee. The series is privately funded not by corporations who won't touch it but by individuals who contribute directly to the shows. As in life members. You can write to your local PBS station and have them forwarded on supporting this if you're if you want to see this if you want to see more. That will be on I believe. No that won't we haven't a clue as no we don't have a clue when it will be on it'll be on but it will be. Some other things about TV is common threads will be on TV Monday night at 830 common threads. The story about the quilt will be on 830 Monday night on channel eight. It's got it's narrated by Dustin Hoffman and the music's done by Bobby McFerrin, some of the finest music I've ever heard. I love that music. Also, we have a live TV looking for Langston will be on. Stan Hughes, Langston Hughes. Yes. We'll be on at winds. Wednesday night at 11 o'clock on PBS. It's, we actually do have a clue about that. We do. Yeah. You just said South Oh, 11 o'clock. If you don't know who Langston Hughes was, he was a big jazz and blues player in the 20s. She was a poet. I thought he was just a poet and a writer and writer of the black Harlem Renaissance. So Harlem Renaissance that's it Okay, so there you go.



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Now you know we're buying a clue actually, that was kind of buying and our August the



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first week will be probably, Saturday looks like. There's a program called out is an anthology of the claim British magazine series out on Tuesday covering items of interest to lesbians and gay men with topics both light and series of a topical cultural and social nature. You can catch that at 1130 on channel eight. And if you catch these shows, and you're interested in letting our local PBS station know that we support that we want more you can call 7488888. Diane



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Yeah, we do. I have lots more but we have to go to a break. We've got really important stuff to tell you. So stay tuned. Get your pens and pencils ready and pick them back up and we'll have more for you in just a moment.

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Oh, Gates up. Did you miss me? Jimmy, I see that you found a new friend. Warden come down here. Here's me. Hello, girls. I'm back home in Huntsville. Again.

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KPFT is prison program is devoted to cops courts, jails, prison and probation and parole and the other minutiae of the criminal justice system. Tune in every Sunday afternoon from three to five, kickback, listen up, and hear what you've been missing.

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Tailor Made shirts with them. At all, it's known cost is 10 years of my life.

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If you think queer nation is a bunch of radical queers, think again. We're doctors, lawyers, teachers, parents, politicians, students, and radical queers. Queer nation is a group of people joining together to end discrimination in all its forms. Many people are interested in queer nation because queer nation addresses ideals and issues particular to them. Affinity Groups A queer nation include shop suburban homosexual Outreach Program, a program to be visibly queer places where lesbians and gays would not normally be visible. Pissed people with immune system disorders. FYQ fine young queers United Colors of queer nation, Q Patrol, the eyes and ears of Montrose and many many more. We meet Tuesday night at 7:30pm 1505 Commonwealth in Nevada at the Montrose palace. For more information call five to 92969 We will not

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bow down to you we will not bow down to you we will not bow down to you watching don't do just came Tala re re I just came time I just woke up he goes on we will not rain we will not obey justice. We will not obey Okay, you've reached after hours. If you're tuning around on your knob and you found us. We're the queer hour. We're the queer Hour of Power. Cool. Cool, Jewel, really.

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I wanted to read it another phone number again, one that we're especially close to here is the Q Patrol who are out there, queers, grow, growing. After envisioning our streets, making them safe for

Q Patrol who are out there, quote, crew cruising after cruising our streets, making them safe for us to walk on. I'm really proud to know several people there who walked the streets.



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Really? They're cruising they're walking the streets and we know



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that's right. We know them and I want to thank them for being there for Me and for the people that I love. Thanks for keeping me and give you the number to connect to with the Pew patrol if you're interested 645525 To die anyone I feel good to hear. Okay,



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I've got some cool stuff. Let's see, this is a coordination deal. This is a two sided flyer. Gosh, this is so ecologically Correct. I'll read this to you briefly. Basically, there's two protests coming up during the Republican National Convention. And actually, probably after this Tuesday, we'll get a schedule of what's happening when so while you Billy's people out there listening Don't worry, we'll say it on the air get your you know your pens ready. So the first part of this flyer is big, big letters. The Bush regime is killing queer youth, the Secretary of Health and Human Services Louis Sullivan suppressed and 1989 Federal study which showed that queer youth are two to three times more likely to attempt suicides than straight youths. And up to 30% of all accomplished teen suicides are committed by queer use, point to solve and also canceled federal funding for Planned 1981 study of teen sexuality. As point three is 30 to 50% of all homeless youth are queer, and the Bush regime has decimated funding for public housing protests these murders policies Tuesday, August 18th at noon, 1919 Smith, St. George Thomas Mickey Leland Federal Building, and then it says For 12 years the Republican Party has conspired to make our lives a living hell, August 17 through 20 is our chance to return the favor for more information call the coordination hotline 5292969. The back of the same flyer says protest the military ban against queers Wednesday, August 19. At noon, the Military Entrance Processing Station at 701. San Jacinto coordination declares war against the GOP. And it has a bunch of stuff on here about the armed forces in the US Armed Forces claim that queers adversely affect good order and morale and are unfit for service. That's a quote. There's several other things on here, let's see, the benefits of being in the armed forces or in the campus ROTC include vocational training and college funds. lesbians who comprise over 60% of all queers expelled from the military, and queers of color are especially impacted by the loss of those benefits, as proof as prevalent sexism and racism, deny them opportunities for economic advancement available to others, and forced them in to the military for those reasons.



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Let me let you know, something I haven't I haven't shared with the listeners is that I was removed from the service under conditions that were less than honorable as what they call it. If I hadn't been tight with people that could get me out of it, I would have lost, I would have been put out of service with a less than honorable discharge. Due to my



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homosexuality, sexuality were like



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being able to rub elbows with some people that were in power, who were also homosexuals, including, yes, and closet and very closeted. I was able to manage to get out with an honorable discharge, but I had to voluntarily sign all benefits, and all future V. Vet benefits. So away I had to voluntarily sign that away, be able to walk away with an honorable discharge. And I don't know if you people understand what a dishonorable discharge is. It's not it's not just a piece of paper, you walk out and say, oh, there's a slap on the wrist. This follows you. It's part of your record, your federal and government record the FBI record, it's part of records that employers can get bankers, people that you want to borrow money from. This is really ugly thing and it follows you for the rest of your life. It does not stop it follows you the rest of your life. Anybody who wants to access the records that that are you in our computer age, will find out that you were removed from the service under less than honorable conditions. And if they push that they can find out what the conditions were. So we need to stop this stuff. It's not just a momentary thing. You're out of the service. It's a thing that follows you the rest of your life. Fortunately, because I was I knew some people that were way up I've managed to get away with just signing away my benefits so let's let's get out there and fight this. This bull that goes on about the service and the army I'm I'm very angry. because two years after I was removed from the service, they reinstated a lot of benefits to a lot of people. Unfortunately, I was not one of the persons that they reinstated benefits to, because I had taken an honorable discharge. So a little tidbit a little trivia about yours truly. And I want you to to get out there and do what you can to stop this from happening. There were a lot of gay people in the service that I knew. And what the service did at that time was go on what we call a witch hunt. they tackled one person, a weak person, and forced her to give names of people that she knew not people that she'd been intimate with, not people that she was friends with just anybody she had known or seen anywhere, in any context of being gay. She was intimidated into giving those names. And that's how I got it. I didn't even know this person who gave my name. And there were a lot of other names given to so let's, let's stop this kind of intimidation by the services.



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The witch hunts are coming back, the witch hunts are coming back asked me I know people have been people have been approached to give names of team and members people have been approached to talk about everybody they know that that's gay in different surrounding. So don't think it doesn't happen anymore, folks, because today 9092 It's happening.



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That's right. So say something when anybody dresses when anybody brings us up, speak out and positively and support your local gay soldier. Let's see. Let's move on to defend your right you wouldn't go from them defending your country to defend your right to choose. There's a lot



of a lot of hullabaloo going on in town this week. And we'll be going on through August about the choice and choosing and and and because the Republicans are coming the Republicans are coming oh my god get out. Put the women and children away the Republicans



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for your lives.



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Let's see the women are Houston are in great danger from this radical group of anti choice Terrorist Operation Rescue is coming to Houston in August. During during the Republican convention. 1000s of protesters are expected 1000s of protesters are expected to descend on Houston in August. They plan to target all Houston area women's clinics who provide abortion service and some doctor's office. They want to blockade these clinics to deny women access to safe legal medical services. We need your help to defend these clinics. Diane and I will be at clinics and most of our friends will be at clinics.



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I don't know if you have that in the information in front of you about