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And now, *After Hours*, on KPFT Houston, brings you the news with Brian Keever, sports with Mark Schmidt, and our community bulletin board church report from Alan Sands. It's radio celebrating life from the heart of the Montrose, and it's time now for the news.

[MUSIC - SISTER SLEDGE, "WE ARE FAMILY"]

Good morning, Houston, Montrose, and the world. This is *After Hours* news on KPFT radio. Mayor Kathy Whitmire is screening for her re-election with the Houston gay and lesbian political caucus this Sunday, October the 3rd. That should be an interesting turnabout, to say the least.

The endorsement nod at the HGLPC is Wednesday, October the 7th, at 7:30 PM at the Viscount Hotel. All interested persons should attend.

Dateline Houston, Stan Ford was elected to his third term for DignityHouston this week, and received a donation from the mayor for their building fund in '88.

Dateline Dallas, over 70 entries were seen last Sunday by you *After Hours* news reporter Brian in Dallas for the Texas Freedom Parade. A very impressive parade and a very impressive crowd was held. They really know how to party and have a good time in Dallas.

The Tower Theater was the formal setting for the 19th Annual Miss Camp America, where a record crowd enjoyed the flawless gowns and congratulations to Lana Love Harrington for her crown.

Dateline Houston, AIDS legal briefs, according to a report that we read in *The Advocate*, Louisiana has become the first state to require HIV antibody body testing of marriage license applicants. When Edwin Edwards signed legislation July 9th, he said, the legislation does not deny license to seropositives however. Companion bill signed by him made it a crime. That's right, we said a crime, deliberately to expose a person to HIV, and accept federal funds for AIDS education in the state's public schools.

This week's boos and hisses department, boo hiss is on the Montrose Western Auto store. That's right Western Auto in Montrose, who fired their manager because he was gay, not because he was a poor employee. Also boos and hisses to the new Houston Council on AIDS for not having the foresight to select a person with AIDS, or the different qualified AIDS organizations we have here in Houston. That's a real sad turn of affairs.

This Sunday at the Galleon is the happy hour [INAUDIBLE] review. All proceeds benefit the AIDS Foundation of Houston. Please show up for this bevy of beauties. For Houstonians planning to attend the March on Washington, there is a special meeting this Sunday at the MCCR Church at 5:30 PM. Anyone going from Houston is asked to attend. This will be a planning session to find out what we're going to do in Washington DC from the Houston group.

Congratulations to Ron Soo and to Papa Bear on their new bingo parlor opening on Fannin street. Stop by and check them out.

Congratulations also to Maya and to the cast of *Cousins*, for their new stage and their weekly shows. Well, I'll be leaving for Washington DC this week, and we'll bring back lots of news from our March on Washington to Houston for lesbian and gay rights. For anyone's information, I have a list of people who are endorsing the March on Washington from our arts and entertainment field in Hollywood. They are Joan Baez, Gerald Deleon, Jane Fonda, Harvey Fierstein, Ronnie Gilbert, Whoopi Goldberg, Dick Gregory, Keith Haring, Tab Hunter, Casey Kasem, Cheryl Ladd, Shirley MacLaine, Armistead Maupin, Susan Oliver, Bill Press, Toshi and Pete Seeger, Terry Sweeney, Christopher Todd, and Liz Torres.

That's right. The National March on Washington for lesbian and gay rights, October the 11th, for love and life. We're not going back. See you when I come back. In Houston, we'll have lots of news to discuss. Remember, you're listening to *After Hours* on KPFT radio, your voice in Houston. Thanks, folks.

[MUSIC - SISTER SLEDGE, "WE ARE FAMILY"]

That's right. I can't forget. Hi, Jim. Hi to all the guys over at Omega House. You're sure doing a wonderful job.

[MUSIC - SISTER SLEDGE, "WE ARE FAMILY"]

[MUSIC - WANG CHUNG, "EVERYBODY HAVE FUN TONIGHT"]

Good morning, sports fans. I'm Mark Schmidt from the Parkway Athletic Club, and welcome to *After Hours* sports on KPFT. This week in Montrose sports, the Montrose Sports Association billiard league held their awards banquet last Sunday, and this summer the Baucus 1 team took top honors in Division A, with Cousins taking second place. And in Division B, the Ranch Rustlers won first, and the Lazy Jay Boozers took second.

Larry Lance and Betsy Borden were the top players for the season. Good show, billiards league. I also understand the Houston outdoor group will be holding a day of cycling soon, and also a future field trip to the Trinity County Fair. For more information about the group, call Bruce at 916-2905.

If you want to join the Houston Tennis Club, you have until Halloween to join. The club is now preparing for their November 14 and 15 tournament to be held at the Memorial Park Tennis Center. For more information about the league and the tournament, call Mark at 748-1255 or Rich at 524-2151.

In other tennis news, the annual Texas Oklahoma Fall Tennis Classic is scheduled for October 10 and 11 in Dallas. You have until Monday the 5th to enter. The entry fee is \$20 for singles and \$20 for doubles. And for more information, call Tom in Dallas at area code 214-559-3359.

The Montrose softball league will also be holding their annual meeting coming up in November to elect their new officers. We'll be sure and keep you more informed on those meetings and others coming up. Well folks, last Saturday, I attended the Rice Southwest Texas football game. I had a great time. Rice stadium is one of this city's greatest assets. And when is everybody going to wake up and utilize it? Every seat in the house is great. If the Oilers really want more seats, first they need to feel the ones they have. And then if they need more, just call Rice.

On a sad note, the city will be bidding farewell to one of our favorite persons, Jose Cruz. This gentleman of the game will surely be missed, and let me tell you. Someone is going to be getting a hitter that still has a lot of punch for many years to come. So long, Jose. We sure will miss you. Well folks, that's it for sports this morning. So go out today and enjoy the fabulous fall weather that's here. Play hard and play safe. This is Mark Schmidt for *After Hours* on KPFT.

[MUSIC - WANG CHUNG, "EVERYBODY HAVE FUN TONIGHT"]

Good morning. I'm Alan Sands, bringing you information from your community bulletin board. The Texas Freedom Parade in Dallas last weekend was more fun than humans should be allowed. The people of Dallas turned out to cheer a really great parade, and carry the excitement to Lee Park for a rally afterwards. The 200th anniversary of the Constitution underscored the parade, and an emphasis on the March on Washington was manifested at the rally later.

Members of the MCCR Houston choir joined with the MCC Dallas choir for a performance at the rally. The entire weekend was a lot of fun for everyone involved, and I certainly intend to participate again next year. MCCR's music festival is underway this weekend with participants from all over the South Central District. This morning's service will feature a combined choir with members from the other MCCs. Also at MCCR at 5:00 PM today, the second annual blessing of the animals will be held. At catered reception with treats for the participating pets will be held afterwards.

Metropolitan Community Church at the Resurrections education program begins its fall quarter of classes this month, with offerings continuing through December. September and October classes explore individual motivation with Fulfill your Life and Take Control of your life. Things they Never taught you in Sunday School, beginning September 22, is a primer for the Christian homosexual. The course is geared towards overcoming the guilt and pain inflicted upon lesbians and gays in the name of religion.

The community forum series will return in November featuring investing, wills and estate planning, and funeral memorial planning. A study and discussion course titled Homosexuality and Developing a Positive Christian Ethic is scheduled for November, and is designed to develop a positive individual walk with God. The course considers spiritual and sexual perspectives, and will also explore historical and current topics pertaining to homosexuality and Christianity. MCCR's education program features a distinguished and experienced faculty, including MCCR's Reverend Elder John Gill, and local professionals.

Courses are open to, all without regard to church membership or educational background. While most courses have a nominal fee, scholarships are available to those unable to afford the fees. For more information or to obtain a class schedule, please call the church office.

Donna Faith Metropolitan Community Church in Galveston will be holding an AIDS vigil of prayer October 16 through 18, with Project Inasmuch hosting the Saturday Night service. The MCCR publication focus on the church news and the Church of the Rock's calendar is available at the Montrose Mining Company, JR's, Heaven, Kindred Spirits, Romeo's, Charlie's, and other places in our community. Whether you're married or gay or single, if you're a gay man and have children, you may be interested in the gay fathers group, a support and discussion group dealing exclusively with the problems a gay father can face.

During the month of October on Friday nights at 8:00 PM, Church of the Rock will be holding Bible study classes on the Book of Revelations. All are invited to attend and bring paper, pencils, recorders, et cetera.

The Lambda Center at 1214 Joe Annie, is the meeting place for the Lambda chapter of Alcoholics Anonymous and related groups, including groups specifically for women and Spanish-speaking people. You can call the Lambda Center for more information.

Bering Memorial Church has opened a dental clinic for PWAs, and will be presenting an evening of hope to benefit their new clinic and counseling program at the premiere of the production of *Hence Forward* at the Alley Theater on October 3. Anyone interested in informing the straight Jesuit gay Alumni Association can call Roger at 529-4636.

Kingdom Community Church will offer the Bethel series, a Bible study program which will begin on October 7. The women's group meets every Sunday at 10:00 AM at the First Unitarian Church 5210 Fannin. All women who have an interest in discussions of a religious, social, and political nature relative to their survival and happiness as women, are welcome. For more information on any gay or lesbian activities, call the gay and lesbian switchboard at 529-3211.

If your organization would like *After Hours* to announce its activities, you can send information to After Hours, care of KPFT, 419 Lovett, Houston, Texas, 77006. I'm Alan, and I wish you a week full of blessings. You're listening to *After Hours* on KPFT Houston, 90.1 FM.

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(SINGING) Some of us were born in this city on the bayou. Some of us came looking for the sun. To build the kind of town that would open up its arms to anyone who'd work to get things done. Now all of us call Houston home. And we're the hometown crowd. And we're here to stay forever, give a big thumbs-up together. Cause everyone like us is Houston proud. Houston proud, proud of the things they've done together. Proud enough to stand and sing it loud.

We believe there's no place better. That's why we call it home. And we're all Houston proud.

Can I talk to you about love? That's why we're here, isn't that? May I remind you that love is against the law, that love as we know it, is a criminal activity, that love making involves illegal acts? We are here because we have committed them.

[CHEERS]

And we enjoyed them enormously.

[CHEERS]

We are an army of lovers. That is a fearful thing. We are the only minority group also that you can join overnight.

[LAUGHTER]

In the twinkling of an eye, in fact.

[CHEERS]

We who have committed the crime of loving, we are freedom with more risks than servitude ever offered. We dare to know pleasure. May I say pleasure again? I don't think it's been mentioned much today.

[CHEERS]

We had guts enough to love. They tried to cover this with guilt, shame, dishonor. They made it as awful for us as they could. But it was wonderful. It is getting more wonderful.

[CHEERS]

Fellow criminals, never forget your nights and the days of your fighting for their freedom. Remember this experience. It is the tenderest, finest moment of our lives. And in the clamor for our civil rights, always remember that they never granted them, nor withdrew them. They only stole them.

[CHEERS]

And remember most of all that we have so much more to give them than they have ever taken from us.

[CHEERS]

We have been places. We have known things, seen, suffered, feared, felt, experienced ecstasy, hell, wonder. All through our illegal acts. They have brought us the full richness of the human experience.

Our freedom finally, when they understand it at last, is theirs. So keep loving, keep making love, and soon there will be enough. Thank you.

[MUSIC PLAYING]

I'm trying to remember her name, but I can't. I'll try to find out before the show goes off the air. She spoke at the March on Washington for lesbian and gay rights back in 1979. That's where most of the stuff that we've been playing for the last four weeks has come from.

In the background, we're listening to Pamela Stanley coming out of hiding. Someone just called up and they said, I live in a small town outside of Houston. I don't know what I can do. I'm gay, and I'm afraid, and there's no place to turn. There is a place to turn. There is hope. And believe it or not, there is life after coming out of the closet, and it's wonderful.

It's not easy. I didn't say it was easy. I said it's wonderful. A few things I want to tell you, first of all the music we've been hearing this morning is from Roy and George. They're our *After Hours* music consultants from down at The Beat Records on Shepherd. They give us all that wonderful music every week. We went down and asked them to do something special tonight, because we're getting ready for the March on Washington next weekend.

KPFT is going to be bringing you that live, live coverage. It begins at 12 noon on Sunday, October the 11th. I'll be here at the controls, I think, pushing buttons for you. Jack and the Wallenstein people are going to be in Washington. They're going to be bringing us all kinds of wonderful and exciting news back from the march. Folkie and Cherry are here every week Friday mornings from 8:00 until 11 o'clock on KPFT with the woman's play, with the breakthrough. I'm getting ahead of myself.

Clara Kearn is here every week before the Wallenstein show which is the longest-running gay men's program in the country. Clara does a woman's place from 8:00 until 9:00 PM. There's a lot going on in the community, and it's all good. I don't care what the churches have told you for the last how many years.

There's still some wonderful churches here in the Montrose area, full of gay and lesbian people. And if you want to find out what's going on in one of those places, you walk in, and you'll be surprised. There are also a lot of bars in the Montrose area, and outside of the Montrose area that cater to our community. There are a lot of support groups. Bob Hodge was in here last week with us from the Montrose Counseling Center. And they have wonderful, wonderful support groups for everyone. If you need any help anywhere, or you have a question, or you want someone to talk to you, or you don't know where to turn to-- pick up the phone and call the Montrose Counseling Center at 529-0037 during business hours, and they can help you if you really have a problem.

If you just want information, or you really want someone to talk to, call the Gay and Lesbian Switchboard at 529-3211. I've done it many times, to tell them how wonderful things are, and to tell them how rotten things are. They're always there to listen to you, 526-3211. Gay and Lesbian Switchboard, they've been around for several years. You can write the After Hours program at After Hours c/o KPFT Houston 419 Lovett 77006.

Or you can call us at the After Hours hotline, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 713-529-4636. Let us know what you think of the show. You can call us here at station if you'd like a copy of our poster, 426-4000, 526-4000. We've got phone lines open up now. My better half is out in the lobby taking your calls. We'll get those out to you absolutely free. Also a copy of our programming guide from here at KPFT, so you'll know about all the other wonderful programming here on this station.

This is all listener-sponsored radio. If you sponsored during the marathon, you can come down and pay your pledge, and pick up your premiums here 419 Lovett during regular business hours. See Mary, Helen, and all the fine folks up in your subscriptions department. A couple of things I want to mention to you, then we're going to go back to the music.

There's going to be an anti-Bork rally today, Sunday, October the 4th, at 2:00 PM, At the A.D. Bruce Religious Center on the University of Houston Central Park campus. That's Wheeler at Cullen. It says, join many concerned and citizens and organizations in opposing the nomination of Robert Bork to the Supreme Court. We're only one justice away from injustice. And if you want a justice that sits on the Supreme Court that thinks there's no right to privacy, just sit back and let it happen. If you don't, you can contact Senator Lloyd Bentsen's office at 229-2595 here in Houston, and tell him how you think, how you feel. Or you can attend the anti-Bork rally today, Sunday afternoon, at 2:00 PM at the University of Houston Central Park campus Wheeler at Cullen, at the A.D. Bruce Religious Center. That's at 2 o'clock.

We also got a press release that Garland Ganter, the news director at KPFT, gave me, talking about all the labor support. And Brian read at the newscast all the wonderful support from people that are going to be taking part in the march next weekend, including Whoopi Goldberg, and many, many others. So stay tuned for all that. More music from Roy and George from The Beat Records.

Boys-- boys-- boys and girls.

Yeah.

Welcome to Rome, Rome-- Rome-- Rome. Follow me. I'm your--

Thank you.

Give me the drums, the drum. Give the drum. Give me the drum. Give me the drums.

[MUSIC PLAYING]

Hi, this is Vicki Lindsey from Kindred Spirits, and you're listening to *After Hours* on KPFT Houston 90.1 FM.

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[MUSIC PLAYING]

Well, look at us! You know us, America. We are some of your best friends. We are some of your best relatives. Your sisters, your brothers, your mothers, your fathers, your daughters, and your sons.

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

[MUSIC PLAYING]

It's about--

Harvey Milk.

After I got elected, I got the phone call, I knew I would eventually get, a got quite a few of them. One was from a 17-year-old child in a small town in Minnesota. And the boy is handicapped. And the boy's parents found out he's gay. And they want to put him in an insane asylum. And that boy needs help. And he gave news about the letter I got from Southwest Africa, when he read about a gay person getting elected here. And that person has hope.

I think Harvey Milk did a lot.

And that 17-year-old kid in Minnesota has hope.

I used to be really afraid. Since people like Harvey Milk and other people I got, it made me realize that I was OK.

You are OK. And you can be a productive part of the world as a whole, the planet as we call it, the National March on Washington is going to be right here on KPFT next week, next weekend, Sunday, October the 11th, beginning at 12 noon. All the wonderful music we've heard this morning on this musical celebration of life was brought to us by Roy and George from The Beat record shop. They're our musical consultants, and they give us all that wonderful music we hear every week.

Next week, on *After Hours*, we're going to be talking about the March on Washington, and playing you some tidbits from the 1979 March. Right now, I want to do a dedication. It's to all gay and lesbian people. It's to tell you that it's time we stood up, and it's time that we took an interest in what's going on around us, because we are a very important part of society. And like it or not, they're going to have to deal with us. Because we are 25 million-plus strong in this wonderful country that we live in.

Someone asked me one time, why don't you play that Houston proud jingle every morning after the news? Because I'm Houston proud. I am proud of who I am, and what I am. I'm proud to live in Houston, or I certainly wouldn't live here. I'm proud of being gay. I'm proud of my lover, and my family, and my friends. And I'm proud of our community, because there's a lot of good in our community.

You can find out about all of it by calling the Gay and Lesbian Switchboard at 529-3211. If you have any questions, they'll be glad to help you. Right now I want to do a special dedication to all gay and lesbian people to tell you to take a deep breath, and get ready for the National March on Washington. If you can't go to Washington, be with us next weekend right here on KPFT Pacifica radio. We're going to bring you the rally live, because nothing is going to stop us now.

[MUSIC PLAYING]

We'll see you next week. This is the *After Hours* show. My name is Buddy Johnson. Special Thanks to Brian and Mark, and Alan and Roger, and all those crazy *After Hours* staff people that come in here every week and put this together for you. Before Stonewall consultant, David McCain, which we didn't use any of David's stuff tonight because we're getting ready for the National March on Washington, which will be broadcast right here live on KPFT 90.1 FM. There's also going to be a Bluegrass festival sponsored by KPFT Sunday, October the 25th out at Clear Lake Park. You can get information about that by calling the station during business hours 526-4000, and asking for Errol.

Special Thanks to George and Roy for putting together all the music for us tonight, getting ready for the National March on Washington. Crystal is getting ready to come in and do her thing. So support the show. Support the station, and thanks for listening. This is *After Hours* on KPFT radio celebrating life from the heart of the Montrose.

And if I can find my way back, next Sunday, we'll be here bringing the March to you live. Thanks for listening. Bye.

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