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Those are real issues, real questions. It is really been a privilege to have Kate on the show, because she's been talking about it in ways that I've never heard before. And I think probably weighs in that most of our audience has never heard, you know. So send in your money to KPMG five to 65738. And we will take your pledges. We're certainly willing, let's go to some music. And it occurred to me that after doing Kate Borenstein, that probably going to the goddess of wet dreams, her name is Jane County and Jimmy, you said the Jane is a transsexual? Yes,



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Jay, it used to be Wayne County and the electric chairs was the group. And Wayne went to England had a sex change and became Jane County.



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Some of the names of the songs on this album I'm probably not going to repeat.



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Yes, please don't. Many songs there. I can't play on the air.



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Yeah, um, but let's put it this way. Jane calls herself a goddess of wet dreams. That should tell you something right. Jane county take a detour? Well, I'd say that music is taking a detour. We have a caller. And I'm sorry, I didn't get her name. So which I don't know if she wants to give it or not. But she wanted to talk about transgenders being discriminated against in gay pride parades. And you're on the air. Hello, yes. Go ahead. You're on the air. Go ahead. Okay, I'm sorry. I did you want to give your first name or now?



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Well, no. And I want to make sure no one was recording this. I guess it's illegal to record radio messages, because then it could be used over from monetary purposes or something. But anyway, I just wanted to let people know that if they tried to be in a parade or have a parade, and they had to go to court over it. And we're done wrongly in court by judges or attorneys, that there is a way to correct it. And it's called indemnifying. Don't feel bad about trying to correct it, because if you don't correct a court error, you're an accomplice to a miss prison of a felon. Perhaps. That's number one. I just wanted to clarify what indemnify it is it is always called telling on someone. It's making sure you're not an accomplice. Number two, law of the case is illegal now. And the only applicable law is discrimination as to how it applies to you in particular. Okay, number three, negligence of a law is no excuse for a judge or an attorney, especially when it costs and taxpayers have to double their cost by their mistakes. Number four, malpractice is only a slap on the hand, you can ask for a license and pay back to the state and federal government and county and police department time spent and loss of personal wages and loss of consortium and children's welfare that was paid for other than by you when you might be imprisoned by wrongful court procedures.



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Can you say that this this is this was related to a transgenders being discriminated against in gay pride parades and that sort of thing.



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Terrible things have happened and court cases over parade.



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Well, we're certainly talked about transgender discrimination courts on the show before so I appreciate you telling us about it.



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Well, I'm not finished yet. You wouldn't want to sign malpractice on the part of a judge or an attorney. Because then other most important laws wouldn't be got into. Such as misappropriation of funds. You know, if you're gonna have something go wrong, you have to throw the book at them. And common law larceny and grand larceny come under misappropriation of funds. And that's a little bit deeper than malpractice.



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Well, thank you very much for telling us I appreciate it.



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Okay. And number. Another thing is extortion. That's taking from whom one works as a public servant. And when the courts are wrong, then it's just as well as extortion is anything it's it's a public servant type setup. And they can extort from taxpayers. Are they going to start from People who pay them and put them in prison wrongfully. Okay, we come to see criminal coercion, which is property bought for housing criminals, when they're put into prisons and all, and it actually is the wrong place for them to be where they, you know, should have had the right procedures and they should have been put maybe somewhere else or, or not even been accused wrongly in court, right. And D, there's a criminal contempt, which is directly and some should ask for a fine only for the person's wrong doing and others should ask for prison time. Not everybody in a parade should ask for the same thing. Because you never know whether a person should pay for further wrongs or should go to prison. You never really know. So if there's more more involved than just one person, and you should always just like going to war, you don't seem different altogether. Different angles.



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Right. Well, thank you very much. I appreciate your giving us a call. And now we go to romanovski and Phillips, my mother's clothes



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are Yeah, romanovski and Philips, my mother's clothes and old favorite.



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Well, since we're in the next segment features Jackie Thorne talking about cross dressing. It seemed like the appropriate song to go to. I understand we had another pledge. Is that? Yes, we did.



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And it's from Andy and Andy has requested our Boy George song off of the new cheapness and beauty album, which will we will be playing a little later.



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I promise you the next song we do. We'll do that one. Okay. Okay. Well, and so how about that? You know, it's it's 230 in the morning, or 235 236? I guess. The bars are now closed? Yes, we have a whole new audience out there that was in the bars dancing earlier. So folks,



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let us repeat it is marathon. And we are asking for your pledges, pledges of support for KPFT. And after hours, the show that you've been listening to since September 6 1987. That was the night that buddy Johnston came into this station and started after hours.



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And over the years this stage, this show has covered all kinds of issues your bad. Today we do shows with the leather community, we do shows of bisexual issues, right? We do shows for involving people of color, right? And we are always looking for more in new ideas to put on the air. This is a station this is a station where you have an opportunity to talk back. Some stations say we you know you're a part of our show. And here you're a part of our station.



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That's That's exactly right



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here. That's right. You're a part of our station. We will take pledges in any amount the numbers 526-573-8526 KPFT.



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I know we have a whole new audience because people are just now getting out of the bars. And so folks, please we will we will be more than happy to take your pledge support KPFT support diverse broadcasts right. See next week, Scott and Howard will be here with Stacey the leather lesbian. And the week after that will be the by group with an end Lu Jack Tyler talking about the black community and the last Saturday of the month. There's five Saturdays this month. So the fifth Saturday's gonna be that queer music show.



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Oh, you know, I learned to tune that ain't coming home. I really enjoy that. Oh, I



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love doing it too. And this time, I'm going to start out with like about a half hour 45 minute concert of Romanovsky and Phillips,



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the gay Simon and Garfunkel? Yes. And that's really the first queer music I've



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ever heard.



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I think I think that's true for me too. You know, there's



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all kinds of other stuff going on. But I mean, positive queer music from queer people.



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Yeah, yeah. So if you if you know, we had the Fred's on earlier, and here's a local group. We were on the air. Somebody called in and asked for the friends. We didn't have it. The two members of the band came up and brought us a copy of the tape. That's what I mean when I say this is coming. Unity



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radio and you'll be hearing that and weeks to come. We'll be playing the Fred's and we just got another plane that's got another pledge, Linda. I'm a night shift worker and appreciate the show and sent in a pledge of support for after hours.



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There you go. You know, we know the taxi drivers are listening. We've talked about that before. We've had people going home from the bars who have heard our show being played on taxi and the taxi cab radios. We would certainly be glad to have pledges from those folks, if they're out there. And they would be willing to pledge to the station. pledge to the show. Numbers. 526-573-8526 KPFT. Yes, we do have the premiums and Jimmy I can't see that chart. From here. The light is shining on it. But why don't you tell folks what the premiums are?



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Well for our basic membership levels, \$35 and you get brand new KPFT bumper sticker for \$60. You get a t shirt or mug with the new logo. The T shirt is white with a multicolor logo on it. And the mug is white ceramic with that same logo for \$90. You get a mug and the t shirt, or two mugs or two T shirts. For \$150. We have the KPFT duffel bag, it's it's navy blue, with the white color logo on it. It's 100% cotton canvas. Now we accept cash or Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover card.



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So folks, we know you have plastic in your purse or in your wallet. As long as it's your charge card. We would prefer it as yours. And we will certainly accept the pledge in any amount. We've had pledges tonight that were as small as \$10. We will certainly accept them. If you still have money left after you've gotten out of the bars. And you might have 10 \$12 in your pocket. Pledge that to us. There you go. Well, thank you know, it buys roll of stamps, it pays for long distance calls.



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We are so appreciative of those donations as we are of the \$150 pledges that money's just as hard earned.



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That's That's exactly right. It's just harder, and we'll be more than happy to have it. So 526-573-8526 KPFT, I'm gonna know that phone number better than my home number.



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One of the one I think the show that brings in the most money now is the blues, shows. Oh, I can believe that here on Sunday. And I mean, Kathleen raises 1000s of dollars. And it's not because people are sending in \$150 at a time. It's a lot of people sending in 10 and \$20. She has I think



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probably the biggest blues show anywhere in the Gulf Coast. Yeah. And she's extremely well known throughout the community. So it's something I



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wanted to talk about. It's not queer or anything, but it's just something good that I want people to know about is that there's a blues festival coming up right here at Rice Stadium, September the 23rd. And look at the folks that are going to be here. Can you read that?



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Well, everybody knows BB King. Yeah. Now Jimmy Vaughn. Of course. This is the brother of Stevie Ray Vaughan but an accomplished musician in his own right. Now if one and only now if you don't know who Edit James is, honey, this woman can belt it out. Edit James will knock your socks off. I mean, yeah, edit teams is really cool. I don't know the next person. Jacques. Yeah, I

don't know that don't recognize that name. I do recognize Jay Geils. I mean, I'm sure many of you remember Jay Carlson Jay Geils Band, and Elvin Bishop, who of course has had, I think a top a couple of top 40 hits. But this is Saturday, September the third and 23rd of this of the 23rd. Thank you and they have a cook off starting at 12 Noon. Hey, folks, you know, the blues is like, seriously, this is ethnic American music. And



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it starts at 4pm. Yesterday, September 23, BB King, edit James Jimmy Vaughn Bojack.



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And if you want information, the numbers 868 1888. That's Area code 713. In case you folks are outside our way now there are careers that like the blues. Well, this is one right here. I grew up. I grew up near New York City and there was a station that you can only hear at night coming out of Harlem. And so I grew up listening to Oh, ZZ Hill. Bo Diddly Oh, T bone T bone Walker. I mean, some of the old I actually had an opera. I actually had an opportunity to play guitar with some of these folks. And not that I'm any good. But there's a man from used to name lightning Hopkins. Lightning Hopkins is always one of the he actually taught several members of ZZ Top how to play guitar. And lightning Hopkins was from right here in the in Houston and was an international star but he didn't know it. So, yeah, it's the Blues Festival is something worth doing. Alright, let's switch gears. Let's talk about cross dressing. I guess that's his biggest switches we can possibly do here going from blues cross dressing, and I want to talk about the next person that we're going to play and her name is Jackie Thorne. Jackie Thorne is a community resource. Jackie? Oh, yes. Jackie Thorne is I think past president just about every gender organization in the city. She is currently in the process of helping to rebuild GCTC which went through sort of a down period. G on Jackie Thorne is some if ever you need someone to talk to and you want to get the straight scoop on what's what about cross dressing? Yeah.



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JACKIE Thorne is the person to call let me tell you, let me tell you between Phyllis Frey and Jackie Thorne, the switchboard gay and lesbian switchboard of Houston has learned about transgendered and cross dressing



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folks. And she's another one of the people I consider Jackie a pioneer because she was doing it long before it was popular. Oh, yeah. And long for it was politically acceptable. And, and often at a time when it was a great risk to her physical lecture. So Jackie is really pioneer. And we're going to play two cuts back back first being from Jackie and the second one being from Linda and Cynthia Phillips.



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Oh, yes. I'm so glad I'm so so glad you're bringing part of that because they are just the finest

Oh, yes. I'm so glad I'm so so glad you're bringing part of that because they are just the finest couple. I think I've met in a long time



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Linden Cynthia are terrific, folks. And the reason that I'm playing these two cuts back to back from two different people, is they're both talking about about what cross dressing is. And they're both attempting to explain the difference between cross dressers, transgenders, transvestites, transsexuals. Now, that's been a theme that we've had in the show for a long time. But it's interesting to hear it played back to back because you get two very different definitions from people who are very, very knowledgeable. So with that in mind, we're going to play this back to back here, we'll make sure that we've made the change over, I believe we are. Okay, we're going to this is Jackie Thorne, and Linda and Cynthia Phillips. Let's start at the beginning. Let's talk about the differences in some of the terms while the difference between a crossdresser transgendered person in a transsexual.



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Okay, basically, your transvestite, for the most part is male to female because of female can go in and put on a flannel shirt and a pair of blue jeans and a pair of hiking boots and tie her hair back in a ponytail and walk down the street and nobody will blink twice. But for a man to put on a dress or a skirt and blouse and go out in public. He better look pretty darn good or he's going to catch all kinds of flack. The transvestite and contrary to popular misbelief does not necessarily have anything whatsoever to do with sexual orientation, or, in fact, sexual arousal for that matter. Although certainly it can be sexually arousing, at least initially for a lot of people just because of the Forbidden nature of it. A transgender gift is a person whose emotional psychological and mental processes are bent female to the point where they want to live as a female even though they may be anatomically a male. And by the same token, you also have female to male transgender. Brandon Tina is one who unfortunately was killed by a couple of redneck I won't say what they are. But anyhow, the transsexual is differentiated from the other two in that the transsexual and again, they can be either male to female or female to male and there's quite a few female to male more than most people realize. Certainly more than I realized, at least when I first started, but this the transsexual basically is so uncomfortable with their anatomy. And medical science has gotten to the point where they can change the anatomy much more readily than they can change the mental processes. And so therefore, there is the ability to surgically alter the body of the transsexual so that they can actually be anatomically as well as mentally, emotionally and psychologically the gender that they wish to be



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the purposes of the interview for the purposes of the interview, I want to begin with the assumption that a listener has heard of a crossdresser and knows nothing else about them. So which one of you wants to explain what a crossdresser is to the audience? Go for it. Well, since I'm a crossdresser, I guess I can define that a crossdresser is someone who dresses in the clothes of the opposite gender. And that's where you have to keep the gender and sex separate because I consider myself a gender female. But anatomically, I'm a male. And I dress in the clothes with female and live as a female. Okay, now I consider myself a transgendered person.

And I'm still undecided about surgery. So for the audience, explain to them what the differences between crossdresser in a transgendered person? Well as some people think a transgendered person covers everybody in our community. I don't particularly think that should be true, we use the term transgender is transgender. So somebody who like you and I live full time as a female, I think that's probably pretty still a pretty good criteria to go by. Okay, so for the audience. Now, let's make sure we make a distinction. There's a distinction between gender and sexual orientation. We had Kate Bornstein on the show recently, and her definition of gender was, gender is everything you think sex is everything you do. I'm not sure if that if that's quite sufficient. But if it's reasonably clear that I'm not genders, between your ears and sexes, between your legs, I'll buy that. Okay. I like that that works. Okay, now for this. We're Anisha we talk about diversity in gender. And we talked about diversity and sexual orientation. And we talk about diversity and relationships. Assuming the audience has never heard of you before, and talk a little bit about your relationship.



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Well, Linda, and I have been married 36 years, we'll be married 37 next month. I didn't know about the crossdressing. When we started dating, we met on a blind date. And learned a ton. Jim told me about Linda, before we got engaged. I really didn't understand it. That was back in the 50s. But I thought this was such a wonderful person that it really could not be that big a thing turned out to be a little bit more involved than I originally expected. But it's been fun. Linda told me before we got married that don't worry, you'll never be bored. And I have never been bored.



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Well, it's true. They've never been bored. Right, Linda and Cynthia Phillips put on an event called the Tea Party, which is the largest gathering of cross dressers in North America. Now, the reason I wanted to play those two back to back, is because I think Jimmy has mentioned on the show that from time to time people have come to him and said well, what's the difference? You know, cross dressers, transsexual, transgender us, they're all the same, right? Well, hopefully by now, you know, that's not true. It is, it is a matter of degree. Um, cross dressers in them's just as a group are provided very wide spectrum, cross dressers can be anybody. We can range from anybody who simply wears panties to work to people who are living on a nearly full time basis as cross dressers or even living full time as crop. There are a lot there are many people who consider themselves drag, who live is drag. That's right. So really, they're cross dressers that's so so cross dressing in itself is a very wide spectrum of behavior. And I think oftentimes, when people hear the term crossdresser, they think, Oh, I know what that is. Those are those people that show up on Geraldo. But my my experience has been that cross dressers are, represent a very large group in a very broad continuum of behaviors within just within cross dressing itself. Sure. Now transgender us are people like myself who pay they're often people who have chosen not to have surgery, and are have had the name legally changed in their lives, their gender legally changed. That is the primary difference between the transgenders and a crossdresser. cross dressers often will not go that step they are not going to go to court and get their name change. They're not going to go and have a gender legally change. And there may be a lot of reasons for that, that maybe they'll want to, well, maybe they're married, or they're married. That's right ever. So that's the prime when people say, Well, how do we know well, what's the difference between crossdresser and

transgender as well? It's the difference in going that extra step. It's it's the the legal issues involved for the law. For the most part, then there are transsexuals, transsexuals, and transgender people are very much the same, except the transsexuals are people who are actually aimed at surgery or have actually decided to have surgery. Now there are a lot of people who think that the distinction between transgendered people transgender, and transsexual is bogus, that everybody's transsexual in I guess that's the thing I hear I understand that argument. In, in our community, we use the differences just as a way of differentiating where we are in the spectrum. That's all. It's not it's not a political statement. It's a statement of whether we have or have not chosen to have the surgery is more is more what it's about. So for people who ask, well, what's the differences between the three, that's what it is, it's a self labeling issue, what really, and but in terms of actual numbers, I would think the cross dressers are far and away the largest group or the transgender community, they are also the least visible interestingly enough, because so many of them are married, and they are going to remain married. And so out of necessity, they are going to stay at home. Now, there's an organization here in the city of Houston, called Helping crossdressers anonymous, in don't let the name scare you, this is not a group. This is not a group where they're going to try and cure you across stress.



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That's such an unfortunate choice of a name because that's, that was the impression I got the first time and anytime you hear of a group called whatever anonymous, it's usually an anti group.



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That's right, in this case that's not helping. crossdressers Anonymous is run by a person named Brenda Thomas Brandis Thomas is has been a longtime officer of the Trius sorority. And the reason they are called Helping crossdressers Anonymous is they are going to try and help you work through the shame and the guilt that you may feel about being a crossdresser that's a big difference, they're not going to try and stop you from being a crossdresser but they are going to try and teach you ways and give you skills coping skills to deal with them, they will try and will help you for example, if you're a person that you're if you're married, and you want to remain married, they would be able to help you develop some skills to do that. So I wanted to give them a plug they're called Helping cross dressers anonymous I am looking at your flyer in the for a phone number for them to reach in there it is the number is 4958009 And as I said don't let the name scare you I help and cross dressers Anonymous is not an organization where they're going to try and cure you from cross dressing they're going to try and help you deal with it in did we just get another pledge?



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We sure did. We sure did from Chris and I'm really really happy to get that and yeah we just have enough time to get that song for and



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just thinking that we need to get boy GA and we made a promise that we were gonna get some Boy George and before we left in by golly we're gonna keep our promise and let me see this is on number two at number two okay and for remember that is wasn't even the person that was Andy. I believe Andy here for you we have for George



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you are now listening to make Christian in You have been listening to after hours, a continuing tradition in Houston. Sarah De Palma and with me his band Jeremy Carper, with as you've been hearing, this show has been a best of and we barely scratched the surface. I know. On our next show. Will you be listening to cuts from Phyllis fry? From the show that we did with Dr. Cole and the clients? You'll be hearing from Martine Rothblatt from Jessica Xavier, Ricky Wilkins, will have reports back from Washington DC from our meetings with the Human Rights Campaign fund. In our meeting with the presidential aide. We do want you to come back.



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That'll be the second Saturday of next month.



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And next week we do we were still a



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marathon and we'll have Scott and Howard and Stacy, whether lesbian



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leather lesbian have always liked what a way to be known. This is after hours on KPFT Houston. Thank you very much for your pledges. And remember, when decorum becomes repression, the only dignity free people have as to speak out. Good night, folks.