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Well, thank you for coming in this morning once again the the number of the hate crimes hotlines. 529529996155299615. And the number of the switchboard 5293211. Thanks for coming by. Thank you.



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Thanks a lot, Gary. And that was Romanovsky and Phillips with when heterosexism strikes.



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Yes. I'm hearing a lot of r&b this morning. Well, you know, they're



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appropriate people.



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I think so. I think so. I hadn't heard that one before, either. I haven't heard. I haven't heard that CD yet.



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Yeah. Okay. And upcoming Mariah Carey.



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Sorry. Well,



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this is after hours of continuing tradition. And I'm Kay and my cohort in crime this evening is Jeff.



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Yes. On KPFT FM 90.1.



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Houston. Yes. Actually, it's KPFT Houston. 90.1.



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Gotta get these things in the proper order is all of them are in there. Hey, I'm



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dyslexic. Oh, and we just had Gary Lee in here talking with Jeff about hate crimes. Yes.



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Yes. It was. It was interesting part of one of the things I saw this week on the cover story, or one of the cover stories in the Washington blade, which is a a gay publication out of DC. Yeah, wonderful stuff. He was talking about the Task Force, he was talking about the task force gathering statistics. They released their annual report on anti gay violence for 1991. And they documented a 31% increase in anti gay incidents reported to crime victim service agencies in five major metropolitan areas.



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Does that mean that they have added new lines and stuff? Or is that just an overall increase?



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It's an overall increase know whether it's due to increased reporting or increased incidents? It's hard to say. Yeah, that's one thing about increasing the sort of documentation that we are going to get statistics that that appear higher possibly than they are. But there seems to be little doubt that the the number of incidents are increasing as well. Yeah. One of the more interesting aspects, the violent crimes seemed to be especially on the upswing. There were 775

physical assaults reported in 1991. In the five cities, which is 15% increase over 1990. police abuse was up 29% incidents of vandalism were up 51%. And especially frightening the rate of anti gay slayings, murders jumped 166%. Ouch, with eight gay people murdered in the five cities last year, which was five more than in 1999. God.



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Eight is a little number, but it's not a little number when you're talking about human lives.



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No, not at all. Goodness. So that's, it's something that's very much a concern right now.



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Yeah. Okay, um, let's do a plug for somebody else real quick. And we'll be back. And that's Sunday blues. Yeah, I love blues music. It's such a shame that's right after us.



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Do we give people to Sunday blues? I hope not.



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No, no, but we lead them into them. Yes. Our next song is, well, actually, let me phrase this something somewhat differently. What do Rod Stewart and hypocrisy have in common?



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Oh, gosh, this is a tough one. Let's say. Don't tell me Don't tell me. I give up what do Rod Stewart and hypocrisy have in common? Well, hypocrisy



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did the anti gay, violent song for the 90s or at least a very good one for the 90s I mean, worst were not done. So it may not be the song for the 90s and Rod Stewart did one for the 70s. So this is not an a crime that has been underreported. Or maybe it's been underreported but not unknown. Before this. Yes. And this is the killing of I



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think it's an assault on all women and it's just another in a series of films that Hollywood

depicts the lesbians as man killers haters psychos,



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what's your 61 or 60? Guys?



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I want to see what two women I love it she kills somebody who cares when you read these I that was visible and become invisible. Nowadays you compact visible, realizing my poems seeking me



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welcome to this way out the international lesbian and gay radio magazine. I'm Lucy Chappelle



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and on Greg Gordon. Iowans await imminent equality while Coloradans face constitutional lockout.



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movie goers, instincts ignore the basics



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and a century Dead Poets still speaks today. All that and



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more because you've discovered this way out.



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I'm Mark sock Romano and I'm Josie Akitoshi. With news rap a summary of some of the news in or affecting the lesbian and gay community for the week ending March 28 1992. The month of March ended on a high note for Iowa gays and lesbians as civil rights bill SF 22 A one was passed by the full state Senate and a committee of the State House. The bill adds sexual orientation to the list of classes protected from discrimination in employment, housing, credit and education in the Iowa Civil Rights Code. The 28 to 21 vote in the Senate was probably the

most challenging step towards the bill's passage since the same legislation died in a Senate committee in 1989. After passing in the house, this time just a few hours after the Senate when the House Judiciary Committee approved 22 a one by a whopping 14 to two with two abstentions, and a house floor vote and signature by the governor are expected to make the bill law in a matter of weeks. The key lobbying group in the effort to make Iowa the sixth of the United States to protect gays and lesbians from discrimination has been idea, Iowa dignity and equality advocates whose Legislative Director Michael current remarked, if it can happen in Iowa, it can happen anywhere.



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And soon after winning their civil rights in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana, gays and lesbians now have their first statewide protections against discrimination. Governor Edwin Edwards has signed an executive order banning discrimination by state agencies in employment services and contract awards. However, the honors authority does not extend to counties cities or school districts.



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A few weeks ago we told you about the controversy surrounding popular University of Colorado Head Football Coach Bill McCartney activist charged McCartney with improperly using his affiliation with the university in his advisory board capacity with a right wing Christian political group called Colorado for family values. As Tammy Graham reports those homophobic fundamentalists have now apparently been successful in a statewide push for a ballot initiative that would, in effect legalized discrimination against gays and lesbians.



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The cities of Denver Boulder and Aspen have all passed non discrimination ordinances in the past five years to protect individuals from discrimination based on their sexual orientation in the areas of employment, housing and public access as well. Governor Roy Romer issued an executive order last December protecting state employees from similar discrimination. However, Colorado for family values based in Colorado Springs has collected 85,000 signatures of the 50,000 needed to put their initiative to disallow and override any current legislation that protects gays and lesbians on the November 3 election ballot epoch. Colorado. The Equal Protection campaign formed to oppose Colorado for family values is determined to educate Colorado citizens stating that this is solely a civil rights issue. At the minimum 50,000 signatures are validated. Colorado will vote on whether or not they wish to be the first state in the country to write discrimination of gays and lesbians into their constitution. Reporting for this way out This is Tammy Graham in Durango, Colorado.



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Russian gay Vladimir Mira NOF has been granted an appeal of his main 1991 sodomy conviction that carried a three year sentence Near enough and a witness have retracted their testimony alleging that it was extracted under physical duress. ILGA the international lesbian and gay

association is asking for letters calling on Moscow pro curator Gennady Ponomariov to support Marinov appeal, near and off has been released from custody for health reasons.



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In London an anonymous gay Church of England priest quoted in newspaper interviews has now revealed his identity. Reverend Michael Pete is the first working parish vicar to come out as a sexually active gay man. Despite the church of England's requirement that homosexual clergy remain celibate.



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The US lesbian and gay Catholic organization Dignity has been granted membership in the Leadership Council of Catholic Laity (LCL). In discussing the issue, lay leaders on both sides threatened to leave LCL. But Dignity President Kevin Caligari told the council's board you're going to lose either way, so why don't you just do the right thing. After four years of lobbying by Dignity, the board was apparently convinced taken he has also hired its first full time national executive director Barry Goodson.



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and in Connecticut State Police statistics released in March show a 50% increase in reported hate crimes of all types from 1990 to 1991. And an even larger increase in hate crimes against gays and lesbians. While about half of the state's hate crimes both years were committed against African Americans, the number of reported attacks on gays and lesbians increased from 10 to 17. Connecticut increased penalties for hate motivated crimes in 1990.



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Gays and lesbians in the state of Washington are working to document bias crimes, which are often not reported to police. Volunteers of the Spokane gay and lesbian community for Dignity and Human Rights are opening a hotline inside a police station that victims can call anonymously. The Washington State Senate has passed a hate crimes bill after deleting reference to lesbians and gays. But Statehouse sponsors hope to reinstate the sexual orientation clause in conference committee.



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In Portland, Maine, gays and lesbians are taking to the streets in response to increased bias motivated violence. They're almost 100 demonstrators marched through the city and dramatically poured ersatz blood on the site of a recent gay bashing.



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around the United States, lesbian and gay activists have been protesting the opening of the new Michael Douglas movie Basic Instinct in Los Angeles. The film was the top grocer of the weekend. Mary Lyon reports



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activist outraged about basic instinct held placards passed out leaflets and gave away the ending hoping to turn movie goers away.



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I think it's an assault on all women and it's just another in a series of films that Hollywood depicts lesbians as man killers haters like goes and uses our sexuality as heterosexual male titillation but it didn't turn



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off many Oh



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no, I want to see it. I want to see a sexy woman want to see sexy guy I want to see them make love and I want to see with two women. I love it. She kills somebody who cares. I have no other comments. Just get these people out on my way



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any movie goers had their minds made up about making up their own minds and other said they came just to see what all the fuss was about. Mary Lyon, Los Angeles.



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It's when some lose some for queer cops. A jury in Orange County, Florida decided that Thomas Woodards constitutional right to privacy was violated when the Sheriff's Department found out he is gay and forced him to resign. Deputy Woodard had an excellent record when the department began an investigation of his sexuality in 1989, including subjecting Woodard to a lie detector interrogation about his private life. The jury did not buy Sheriff Walter Gallagher's claim that Woodard resigned voluntarily and recommended his reinstatement. The department is appealing the decision in which Woodard was supported not only by the Lambda Legal Defense Fund, but by his own Fraternal Order of Police.



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The outcome was different in a very similar case of New Jersey State Trooper Michael Federico, who claims he was forced to resign in 1988. Under threat of outing by his supervisors, the New Jersey Supreme Court has ruled that Federico can not rescind his resignation, which he says his supervisors demanded after learning he had gone to a beauty salon for a makeover



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muda London Bobby has been allowed to keep his job after pleading guilty to gross indecency. The cop was caught with a male friend in a tea room stakeout.



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And if you recall last year's hoopla about Los Angeles his Christopher Street West Pride festival, where gay and lesbian police officers were allowed to do recruiting. Well, they won't be able to this year, there's a hiring freeze. There is an opening for a police chief not only in Los Angeles, but also in one of the favorite games. and lesbian resort towns, Provincetown, Massachusetts, aka P town.



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Judy Nelson's palimony lawsuit against Martina Navratilova has ended with a settlement, as the tennis star complained that the court battle was too costly and distracting to pursue. details of the agreement were not made public.



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And finally, euphemism reared its ugly head as the board of St. Johns County, Florida drafted an ordinance limiting nudity. In an effort to name that body part on which we sit they wrote, quote, the area at the rear of the human body, below the waist and above the thighs, which lies between two imaginary lines running parallel to the ground when a person is standing and quote. As journalist Keith Clark remarks in rebuttal, see how far you get using that phrase in a compliment.



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That's news wrap for the week ending March 28 1992. compiled and written by Cindy Friedman.



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Follow the news in your area and informed community is a strong community for this way out. I'm Josie custodia.



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And I'm Mark Sacco mano.



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You're listening to this way out the international lesbian and gay radio magazine with Lucia Chapelle. I'm Greg Gordon, if you've only recently discovered this way out, if you miss some of our news coverage during 1991. If you'd like a highly produced audio almanac of the incredible year just passed in stereo, we've got it and you can get it.



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I'm ready to serve my country and going into the Persian Gulf when I get back I don't want to be discharged because lesbian homophobia



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is the Berlin wall of the African American community. It's possible to be a practicing Roman Catholic gang combination guaranteed to offend somebody simply from time



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and think only gay people can get it and I am thinking that it can happen to anybody



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smiling all the time and even proud to be lesbian or gay or making public for up to six years



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something illegal



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they continue the assault pounding the defenseless man with a claw hammer, I was having some difficulty convincing other people that these things were taking place



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when people like me get this angry, there's something going on here. Changes 1991 In review is a reassembled and considerably re edited 90 minute version of our four part series from January and features some wonderful music performed



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by romanovski and Phillips, Michael Callen, Judy small Holly near with Mercedes Sosa of rotations, Faith Nolan, Leah's akari and John Bocchino



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if you'd like more information about this special 90 minute edition of this way out, right to post office box 38327, Los Angeles, California 90038. Again, that's this way out. Post Office Box 38327 Los Angeles, California 90038. March 26, was the centenary of the death of Walt Whitman. For most of the century United States scholars have resisted the suggestion that the good grey poet was also the good gay poet. In our next feature, Hugh young looks at the considerable evidence that he was.



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I hear the train soprano. She convulses me like the climax of my dad's grip. After the opera I could never have written leaves the grass.



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Yes, Walt Whitman was an opera queen, but so much more. He saw himself and amazingly his poetry makes the claim convincing as a kind of universal person. What the critics call him is transcendentalist what I assume



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you shall assume, for every atom belonging to me, as good belongs to you.



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As universality inevitably includes the sexual



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you give me the pleasure of your eyes face flesh as we pass, you take with my beard, breast, hands in return.



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And this universality meshes neatly with the healthy nationalism that has made him the US as greatest poet. In fact, he came at the right time spanning the Civil War to define the United States for its citizens. Quitman was born 182 years ago, the second of May on children on Long Island, which he preferred to call by its original name Paumanok. He had only five years at school, but as an apprentice office boy, a kindly lawyer gave him a subscription to a lending library. He switched to printing then teaching, and he may have lost one job for undo familiarity with a male pupil. He tried journalism wrote some reviews of opera and became besotted by it, sometimes going to every performance for weeks on end. In 1854, and 55, aged about 35. In a flurry of inspiration, he wrote the first edition of *Leaves of Grass*. He continued to revise and expand it for the rest of his life, most notably adding drum tabs after the Civil War.



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Many soldiers loving arms about this neck have crossed and rested. Many soldiers kiss dwells on these bearded lips.



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And when lilacs last in the dooryard bloomed after the death of Lincoln, it was in 1860 that he added the section that most interests us, called calamus. Calamus is the name of a number of plants, palms, reeds, and grasses. But Whitman means the sweet flag, acres Calamus, which has a Felek stock growing out and up from its stem.



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If I worship any particular thing, it shall be some of the spread of my body. Root of washed sweet flag, timorous pond snipe nest of duplicate eggs, it shall be you mix tussled have had in beard and brawn, it shall be you. Trickling SAP maple fiber of manly wheat, it shall be you Calamus sweet green Bob and melons with Bob's grateful to the hand. Trickling SAP flows from the end of the manly maple tooth of delight. Living balds melons with polished rinds that smooth to the reached hand. Balls of life lilies, polished melons, flavored for the gentlest, mildest hand the child reach.



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And he is more explicit than this.



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For the one I love most lay sleeping by me under the same cover in the cool night, in the stillness in the autumn moonbeams his face was inclined toward me, and his arm lay lightly

around my breast, and that night, I was happy.



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Before we jumped to conclusions, we need to remember that there was no such word as homosexuality for 14 years after Leaves of Grass was published. Only derogatory names for sexual acts, and men and boys did commonly slipped together in those days without so far as we know, anything sexual happening