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[MUSIC PLAYING]

- Hey, Mary.

- Yeah.

- We got to say something before we do this song because it is Marathon, right?

- It is Marathon. And--

- And we're all pitching and--

- It's that little three times a year that we have to come to you and say, OK, please open your wallets.

- And the reason we do it is because Pacifica Radio back in the late '40s-- in 1949 to be exact, said that there's got to be a better way because we know the government doesn't always tell us the truth. And Lewis Hill and a group of his friends got together and something was born called Pacifica. And what happens is that every-- every what?

- Three times a year?

- Yeah, three times a year--

- Every four months?

- --we come to you and say pick up the phone and call us and make your pledges of support. And if you don't pledge, then we're not going to be here because that's the way it is. Now we know you're going to pledge because the station's been around for 22 years. Somebody just called and said, I'm switching through the dials. What is this? I said, well, it's Pacifica. And, well, what's this pledge business? And I told him-- he said it'll never work.

- It's been working for 40 years, baby.

- Sorry, man, it works. It works because we've been doing it for 40 years. And it's going to work. And I don't know why we have to worry so much about it on this program because you can't tune anywhere in the dial and hear people say we're here--

- --and we're queer.

- And you know that. So we're not going to get into a lot of heavy duty calling and begging and pleading not til later. If you don't help us because we-- it's not help us. It's help yourself.

- There you go.

- It's a way that you can do something for us now that we really, really need because it takes lots of money to keep the station going, and it takes lots of money to keep us going.

- And that's what you're sending your money in to keep the station going because we're going to be here.

- So we've changed the opening up just a little bit the last couple of weeks by playing this and some of the-- up to the minute music about what's going on in the world. And what's going on in the world is that the world's gone mad. And we're trying to reflect on that a little bit. So stay with us. This is *After Hours* on KPFT in Houston.

You can call us and make your pledge on Visa Mastercard, American Express. Or they will send you a bill, or you can just come down here now at the station and give us your money.

- Yeah, we'll take it.

- That's even better.

- But the number is 526-5738 or 526-KPFT, right?

- Right.

- Hang on. We'll be back.

[MUSIC PLAYING]

- Say it so they can hear you in the Capitol. For love and for life, we're not going back. For love and for life, we're not going back. For love and for life, we're not going back. For love and for life, we're not going back.

- I think that's Robin Tyler on the stage leading the chant, for love and for life, we're not going back.

- Good afternoon and welcome to the national march on Washington, DC for gay and lesbian rights choral reciting. Let's hear it out there. I'm Lea DeLaria.

- I'm Bruce Hopkins.

- I am a dyke.

- I am a faggot.

- And we're best friends.

- I want you to savor this next moment. I have the proud task of telling you that the official count of the lesbian and gay rights march the official count is over 500,000 strong.

- It's all right. You may all come out.

- 500,000 strong. Look at you. 500,000 strong. 500,000 strong one of the largest marches in United States history. One of the largest marches in United State history. 500,000 strong.

- They've got to understand something. They've got to understand something. We are not talking about crotch politics. This is not a movement from the waist down. We are talking about our right to love and to chose and to live. And I don't care about straight tolerance. And I don't care about straight understanding. You got to hear me in Washington. We are demanding. We are demanding our civil rights.

- Harvey, do you have a few words for KPFA?

- Come on out. Join us. Bring your friends.

- What do you think about the turnout so far?

- Well, it's never enough, never enough, never enough.

- We must destroy the myths once and for all, shatter them. We must continue to speak out. And most importantly, most importantly every gay person must come out. You must tell your immediate family. You must tell your relatives. You must tell your friends if indeed they are your friends. You must tell your neighbors.

You must tell the people you work with. You must tell the people in the stores you're shopping. And once they realize that we are indeed their children and we are indeed everywhere, every myth, every lie, every innuendo will be destroyed once and for all. And once you do, you will feel so much better.

[CHANTING]

- I ask people all over this country to do one thing come out. Come out, America. Come out.

- What?

- Good morning.

- Hi, baby. How are you?

- I want to laugh, but there's too much going on.

- Yeah, I know. I thought about that all week.

- It's too scary.

- I thought about, well, how are we going to go do a Marathon show when we're getting ready to go to war.

- I know.

- But actually, we go to war every day--

- We do.

- --as gay and lesbian people.

- We do.

- Because being out and open-- there are always we know people out there who want to hurt us and kill us only because they don't understand us. And it--

- Well, to us life is a chance. And over there it's--

- It's just--

- I don't know. It's a lot more iffy.

- And also I'm of the age where I remember Vietnam. But they kind of slipped it through the back door. And it looks like now the president, the president has got the go ahead to do what he wants.

- And what he wants to do is-- I don't know what he wants to do, man. It's like--

- I thought these people were our representatives. And I don't know that many people who want to get into this and--

- I mean--

- --all the representatives are voting to do it.

- --we went to Vietnam and thousands and thousands of people were killed. And we still don't know what the hell we did over there. And so now we're in another place, and we don't know what the hell is going on. But we have no power to stop it.

I watched the other day from Geneva and I thought how wonderful. They're talking for six hours. So maybe something's going to happen. What's his name? Baker came out and said he heard nothing that would indicate that anything was going to change. I just cried. I thought this is it. We're screwed.

- Well.

- We haven't understood and we haven't realized yet that hate is not the answer, that war is not the answer.

- No.

- Everybody's talking about bomb, bomb, bomb, bomb, bomb, Saddam. But there are people over there, human beings with lives, families, and children, and grandparents, and brothers, and sisters. And their ideas may not be the same as ours. And their philosophy may not be the same as ours that their lives are going to be snuffed out. And that's what's kind of frightening.

But we know all about that. And we know how to feel when people hate you. I'm not agreeing with Saddam Hussein, but I'm telling you he treated those people like hell before we got there.

- You bet.

- The people of Kuwait were treated like dogs before we marched in there. I mean, where were we then? Nicholas Ceausescu treated those people over there like dirt. Where were we then? Well, you got to look at what's going on. And what's going on, baby, is there's a lot of oil and a lot of money involved. And when it's money and oil and good damn looking good, boy, everything else goes out the window.

- A friend of mine, a pessimist, a cynic has taught me and sometimes I have to reteach myself that whenever there's a problem, any problem anywhere, look at the economic side of it first.

Anywhere.

- Who stands to gain? And that tells you a little bit something about what the real reason is.

- Well, the real reason is money, right? I mean, why else are we doing this?

- It's for [INAUDIBLE].

- Don't you think?

- Mm-hmm.

- And it just floors me to think that thousands of people are going to die for no reason.

- The *USA Today* did a poll. And in the poll, 49% of the people supported the war. 46% of the people were against it. The remainder were undecided. So it's not a majority so--
- Certainly not a clear issue.
- It's not a majority now.
- No.
- Who's the rich oil man, Frank? You know this from Texas. [INAUDIBLE] flying around the country now promoting peace.
- Perot.
- Yeah, I saw him on Donahue. Did you see that?
- No.
- No.
- He asked the people in the audience, how are you going to feel about this war when the government imposes a tax on you to pay for it? Oh, no, they can't do that. There's this girl at work. She's got to support Desert Shield button on. And I said, how are you going to feel when they deduct another \$100 out of your check to pay for the war? Oh, no, no. I said, well, what about--
- Where do you-- yeah.
- --support world-- what about support Desert Shield?
- Where do you think the money's coming from?
- People are also forgetting a very important aspect. And that is that this war may not stay over there. It may come right home to Houston.
- I can guarantee you it will not stay over there.
- I mean, we have refineries here. They're talking about protecting our water supply. I think that we'll see some--
- People are too complacent--
- problems.
- --just because there has not been a war fought here since the Civil War.
- Right, on this soil.
- On this soil.
- We're very fortunate.
- We're very fortunate, yes.
- So they have no idea of what the consequences of that are.

- I mean, it's nothing--

- Exactly.

- It's nothing in London for a building to blow up during the holidays and kill several hundred people.

- Yes.

- Well, we're fortunate because those kind of things haven't happened yet in this country. But thanks to the good old modern technology, boy. They can roll a bum up in a thermos bottle and blow up a plane over Ireland and kill-- or Scotland and kill thousands of people. And you would think that you would learn but we don't.

What I want to do now is talk about someone that's probably one of-- I don't know-- the people that I respect as much as anybody in my life other than Harvey Milk. And it's only because of who he was and what he stood for. And he's someone that I believe was killed because of the war.

He led all kinds of riots and marches and nobody really give a damn about those garbage workers in Memphis. But he went there anyway. And he was killed-- and I really believe this. And I believe this all along because he said the war is wrong, the war in Vietnam. And the government-- God love them-- didn't want to hear anybody running down their precious war.

This is from a book called *A Testament of Hope*. And it's the writings of Martin Luther King. And Dr. King gave this sermon at the National Cathedral in Washington on March 31, 1968. And it was the last Sunday morning service that he preached. And this is-- I'm not going to read the whole thing, but I want to read part of this for you from this sermon.

It says, "I want to say one-- I want to say one other thing. And that is that we face-- that what we face is simple. We must find an alternative to war and bloodshed. Anyone who feels-- and there are still a lot of people who feel this way, that war can solve the social problems facing mankind is sleeping through a revolution.

President Kennedy said on one occasion, mankind must put an end to war or war will put an end to mankind. The world must hear this. And I pray God that America will hear this before it's too late. Because today we're fighting a war. I'm convinced that it is one of the most unjust wars that has ever been fought in the history of our world.

Our involvement in the war in Vietnam has torn up the Geneva Accord. It has strengthened the military industrial complex. It has strengthened the forces of reaction in our nation. It has put us against the self-determination of a vast majority of the Vietnamese people and put us in the position of protecting a corrupt regime that is stacked against the poor.

It plays havoc with our destiny. This day, we are spending \$500,000 to kill every Viet Cong soldier. Every time we kill one soldier from North Vietnam, it cost us about \$500,000 while we spend only \$53 a year for every person considered poverty stricken in the so-called poverty program, which is not even a good skirmish against poverty. Not only that, it has put us in a position of appearing to the world as an arrogant nation.

And here we are 10,000 miles away from home fighting for the so-called freedom of the Vietnamese people when we cannot even put our own house in order. And we force our young Black men and our young white men to fight and kill in brutal solidarity. Yet when they come back, home they can't even live on the same block together.

This is where we are. Mankind must put an end to war or war will put an end to mankind. And the best way to start is to put an end to war in Vietnam. Because if it continues, we will inevitably come to the point of confronting China and the rest of the world, which can only lead to nuclear annihilation.

It is no longer a choice my friends between violence and nonviolence. It is either nonviolence or nonexistence and the alternative to disarmament, the alternative to a greater suspension of nuclear test, the alternative to strengthening the United Nations, and thereby disarming the whole world may be a well civilized plunged into the abyss of annihilation. And our earthly habitat would be transformed into an inferno that even the mind of Dante could not imagine.

That is why I feel the need of raising my boys against the war and working wherever I can to arouse the consciousness of our nation. I remember so well when I took a stand against the war in Vietnam, the critics turned on me as they had their say in the most negative and sometimes most vicious ways.

One day a newsman came to me and said, "Dr. King, you don't even think you're going to stop now opposing the war and move on into line with the administration's policy? As I understand it, it has hurt the budget of your organization and the people who respected you don't love and respect you anymore. Don't you feel that you've really got to change your position?"

I looked at him and I had to say, sir, I'm sorry. You don't know me. I'm not a conscious leader. I did not determine what is right and wrong by looking at the budget of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. I have not taken a Gallup poll of the majority. Ultimately, a leader is not a searcher for conscience but a molder of conscience."

Dr. King was quite a man. And he was taken from us, I believe, because of these things. He continued to say, "There comes a time when one must take the position that it is either-- that it is neither safe nor political nor polite. But he must do what he must do because his conscience tells him that it's right.

I believe today that there is a need for all good people to come together with a massive act of consciousness and say in the words of the old negro spiritual, we are not going to study war no more. We're not going to study war.

[MUSIC PLAYING]

- Sweet Honey in the Rock.

- Oh, boy, did they do a good rendition of that.

- "Ain't Gonna Study War No More." Unfortunately, they're not listening, right?

- It seems that way.

- We're right in the middle of something we call Marathon.

- Oh, yes, Marathon.

- That's why you hear all those great looking people in the lobby.

- Hot men--

- Really?

- --and women.

- I haven't even been out there, girl. I've got to go look.

- Aha.

- But anyway, we asked for your money, which keeps us going. And the number is 526-
- 5738.
- And 526-KPFT.
- 526-KPFT. And our new brand new improved number 1-800-333-5738.
- Oh, you're kidding me.
- No.
- We have an 800 number.
- Yeah, 1-800-333-KPFT for those of you who are outside of the 713 area code.
- So we'll even pick up the tab if you want to call us now.
- That's right.
- So tell us why it's important that you do call in, would you?
- Well, I'll tell you. I'm kind of disillusioned here. Normally, you guys--*After Hours* does very, very well in Marathon. And you've been on-- I don't even have a clock in front of me, but I know you've been on for like probably 30 minutes. And we have yet to receive our first pledge.
- Oh, oh.
- Now--
- Maybe we ought to talk about that hot looking jersey.
- Well, yeah. Let me bend everybody's ear for a minute because, first, I want to talk about the fact that you're only going to find a radio program like this in one other place. And that's what? Wednesday night here on KPFT. There is nothing else.
- Try night Monday night.
- Monday night? It used to be Wednesday, right?
- Tuesday.
- OK. It used to be Tuesday.
- Now it's Monday.
- It's just moved around.
- OK.
- *Wilde 'N Stein* at 9:00.
- Yeah, that's right. And the two genuine outlets are right here on KPFT.

Yeah, four hours a week, kids.

- Yeah.

- That's right. Four hours in-- I mean-- I don't know. I'm blown away that the calls aren't coming in.

- I know.

- That's why I don't understand. We just go. It's time to Marathon. We need your pledges that the phones should just ring off the wall.

- It should be \$2,000 raised in 30 minutes.

- There you go. Then we can--

- Because--

- --just go on with the show.

- --we know that you can't get this anywhere else. So I don't know why we should have to beg and plead because it's so important to you.

- At any rate, let me get into a little bit exactly where the money goes here at KPFT. We're not outfitting our plush offices with vibrating heated chairs, although, that's not really a bad idea.

- That would be a great idea. Let's get one for the control room.

- But we're--

- The vibrating waiting chair.

- This KPFT would cost about \$40 an hour to run, which is just-- that's just very base. So we're talking \$160 a week between-- just to put on this program, we're talking almost \$200. And if someone can call up with a \$40 pledge, they bought an hour of KPFT. They kept KPFT on the air for 60 minutes. And I really think that that-- I mean, that's the least you can do for KPFT. I firmly believe that.

- Well, the number is 526-5738. We'll take Visa Mastercard, American Express. If you're pledging, you can pledge for a friend. We've got a lot of young people who listened that can't call in now because mom and dad are sleeping down the hall and they can't use the phone. Don't worry, guys. It's OK. There are other people who are going to call them pledge for you.

And the other people we're looking for is you. You listen and you enjoy. You're sitting there at work, or you're driving through on your way home and you're going, oh, *After Hours*. And you switch over because we're here and we're going to play all the good stuff that you enjoy hearing.

So now it's time that we ask that you pick up the phone and call us. Each program has to pick up a certain share of the load. And we're going to raise-- how much money for this Marathon? I forgot. [INAUDIBLE]

- We're going to raise-- well, tonight, right now, we're going to raise \$1,500.

- That's easy.

- But totally, we're going to run about-- what? \$150,000?

- I think about \$6 million.

- No, no, no. For \$150,000?

- I think so.

- That's our total overall goal. And our portion of that this morning is \$1,500, which is no big deal. But it only starts with the first call. And we're waiting on your call now at 526-5738, 526 KPFT. A lot of programmers don't like Marathon because you have to come in and ask for money. You don't hear us begging for money. We're asking for your dollars because we're non-commercial. We don't play commercials.

But we do need your help. And it's very important that you do it now. Because this is a place where you hear gay and lesbian programming. KPFT is the station that brought you in Houston five hours of the march on Washington in 1987 live from Washington DC when nobody else is bringing it. C-SPAN, CNN, CBS, ABC, NBC nobody played it. Nobody brought it to you.

We're the only ones that brought you the Harvey Milk rally live from the steps of City Hall in 1988. We brought you all kinds of stuff. We mail out all kinds of records and books and tapes to you all the time. And you just tune in to listen to see what these queens are doing. Well, today we're asking you to call 526-5738, 526 KPFT. That's the number we just can't do it without you. And it's very, very, very important that you call.

So please go to the phone now and call us at 526-5738, or 526 KPFT. I heard somebody say thank you. So that means somebody has called or?

- Yes, we have what appears to be three, maybe even four pledges.

- Great.

- Oh, good.

- But actually they're being written. And we only have one phone in use right now. That means that there could be three people giving a pledge right now.

- 526-5738, 526 KPFT.

- You bet.

- We'll be back to check with you in the lobby in a second. These are some of the notes that we get in the mail. I got these two letters this week. And I brought a lot of other letters that I want to share with you later on.

But this is, "Dear, *After Hours*, this has been a wonderful week starting off with your show on Saturday night. I'm 19 years old, and I thought at first that I was the only gay person in Pasadena, but now I know different.

A guy named Michael called in and said that he's from Pasadena. And I got very excited and relieved knowing that somewhere there is someone on the street that feels the same way I do. Then last night, I met this really nice guy at Kroger. Yes, of all places, Kroger. He works there.

I've had my eye on him for a while, but I thought he was totally straight. But now, I think, he may be gay. I hope so because he's beautiful. Anyway, I thought I'd just write and thank you for your show because it means so much to me."

- Oh, I'm so glad to hear that because you know I've always said you're going to meet your husband at Kroger, girl.

- And I've been at Kroger every day this week. This letter comes to us addressed, "Dear *After Hours*, as I'm sitting here typing this, I have no idea why I decided to write you. Maybe it's because I've been listening to your show for a while. And you guys seem like friends to me. Or maybe it's because I'm just miserable and want somebody to know about it. I'm not sure.

But I have a request that I'd like to play for you if you could. But, of course, there's a little story behind it. I was doing some last minute shopping at Pasadena town square on Christmas Eve when I met him. He was working at one of the restaurants there. And even though we were only talking for a couple of minutes, it was long enough for me to fall for him.

Perhaps I misunderstood his intentions, but I thought that because he was so sweet and friendly that he was interested in me. I knew I was definitely interested in him. Ever since we had met, he's been constantly on my mind. So that following Saturday I went back and gave him my phone number. He never called.

I went back this past Saturday taking the advice of a girlfriend who thought it would be a good idea to make one more appearance. And then I found out for sure-- and then I'd find out for sure what he thought of me. Well, to make a long story short, I did see him. And I got up the guts to talk to him. I ask for the time. Sure that the moment he turned around, he would know who I was, but he didn't. All I got was the time and a big smile, not even a glimmer of recognition, nothing.

I walked away in tears. I've never felt so hurt and humiliated in my life. But I have turned this over and over in my mind a hundred times and come up with just as many reasons why I've never heard from him. I'll probably never know for sure.

All I know is that for the first time in 19 years, I found someone I liked, and I just can't get him out of my mind. Part of me wants to go back and try again. But another part of me thinks I should just give up and not put myself through that anymore." And it goes on. But, child, welcome to the real world.

- Yeah. Sorry, baby. But that happens a lot.

- How many times have we done that? The reason you feel that way, baby, is because when you were young and in school they didn't teach you that it was OK to be yourself. Your parents never sat down and told you about the birds and the bees and the bees and the bees and the birds and the birds. So once you grow up and you're on your own and you're out, you'll find out that it gets even worse sometimes.

- Or better.

- Well, I don't know, Mary. Here I am 37 years old this May looking for something I'm never going to find.

- And here I am 43 years old today, and I've had a wonderful lover for 13 years.

- And that's why we're here to tell you that there is hope, I guess. I've got a-- what's that thing called? A spear? No. Glass something on the-- in the bathroom. It's got about \$300 worth of bookstore tokens in it. What is that called? The glass thing.

And it's so funny because on the back of them they say, no cash value. And that's exactly what they are, baby. No cash value because that's not the answer. And I've got receipts from the bathhouses and the bookstores. And I still know that those places are not the answer. But we still try. And I've got phone bills, girl. \$132 last month for 976 numbers.

- I heard.

- And it's so funny because he writes that-- he just hope for the best and got it. I remember New Year's day talking to someone on 976. And he sounded like such a wonderful man. And he said that he loved *The Wizard of Oz*. So after we hung up, when he said he would call back, I put a little thing on *The Wizard of Oz* from my answering machine because I knew that would just like charge him when he heard it. But guess what, baby?

He never called. So what do you do? You keep believing. You keep hoping. And you take care of you because that's what counts.

- And then one day--

- One day when you're old and--

- Or not so old, you'll meet somebody and the chemistry will click.

- She keeps saying that, kids, but I don't believe it. Anyway--

- I'm living proof.

- He continues to say-- what?

- But on the other hand, there's going to be people-- and I'm talking to you out there-- it's going to be people who like you a lot, and you'll be able to tell that even though you don't care that much for them. So remember this experience in dealing with those people.

- I hope you're right because this young man in Pasadena and I are still lonely, girl. And the reality is stuff happens. And the reality is people hurt each other. Just look what's getting ready to happen in the Middle East.

But what you got to do is get a grip. See, I've done this too, guys. I wandered around for years looking for the wrong thing. It wasn't until I listened to this show for three years-- it took me three years of listening to this to realize that we've already got it inside us.

Anyway, he writes, "I wanted to ask you if you'd please play a song by Erasure called "Spiralling" because the words to that song reflect exactly how I feel. I keep thinking that it's going to get better. And it's just a matter of time. But I can't get him out of my mind. And right now, I wonder if I'll ever be able to." Yes, girl.

- It will take you time.

- You will and it'll be OK. And thanks for listening and thanks for writing. Right.

- Right.

- Right, hang in there.

[MUSIC PLAYING]

Anyway see, Louise, you keep saying it's going to get better and I want to believe you but--

- I am the eternal optimist.

- So, optimist, how much money have we got? The reality is people don't call.

- Well--

- The reality is you really don't fall in love and live happily--

- Do we have a hot man in the lobby who knows how much money we have?

- Yes. Well no but I know how much money we have.

- Hey, don't sell yourself short there--

- We have--

- --so to speak.

- All right, cut it out. How much do we have? Anyway \$320.

- Hey, now that's a good start.

- Now, we're rolling.

- We're off and rolling here.

- That is a good start.

- And we want to thank Mike Anonymous. And it's probably not the Mike Anonymous you think it's another Mike anonymous.

- Oh, OK.

- And Ray and Matt and Ben and Douglas who have gotten us off to a \$320 start here.

- You've gotten us off.

- Well, I love listeners who call in and get us off--

- God, I hate hanging out with you.

- --to a good start.

- Please, geez. You got to stop.

- OK, kids. The BBC is going to be here in about four minutes. And then--

- Oh, goodness.

- --Frank will be here with the news.

- Now if you like the BBC--

- And the money keeps coming.

- --give us a call, make a pledge because we bring you that too.

- 526-5738, 526-KPFT.

- I hear you.
- [INAUDIBLE]
- Which happens to be the name of our theme song. And Buddy is desperately looking for [INAUDIBLE].
- While he's looking, you need to be dialing 1-800-333-5738.
- You bet.
- --if you were from out of town.
- Yes. Or 526-5738, 526-KPFT.
- We've got to get serious. And we were just going not to like beg and plead. Why should we do that? Because this is the only place in town that you can call and pledge. I'm going to be here next week for a Marathon. And I'm not going to be here for two weeks because it takes me like two weeks to get over the fact that you didn't call.
- It does.
- Because I go home and pout.
- He is just the last bitch.
- I'm just going to go home and pout for two weeks. So you can keep me here maybe by calling.
- I will absolutely promise--
- Now, that's not going to work because I'm still going to be-- I'm still going to be gone and pout because nobody's going to call. I'm not like they should.
- I will absolutely promise the listeners there is not another radio station in town that would read a letter on the air unless it massaged the ego of the person on the air. No one, no one in town is going to just actually spell out how someone feels, read a letter concerning someone, just the condition of someone's life. That just doesn't happen. Only on KPFT.
- We care about our listeners here.
- We care a great deal.
- And we also know that a lot of our listeners are in the young teen group, and they don't have the bucks. But there's also a lot of listeners in there out there that can pledge some bucks for those listeners who can't.
- It's almost 1 o'clock. And the news from the BBC will be here at 1:00. And we've got to raise about \$1,500. So this is a time to call 526-5738, 526-KPFT.
- We need \$200 before the news.
- Yeah, we can do that.
- \$200. Three people call up and pledge \$70. And that's close enough. And we'll deal with it. Well, [INAUDIBLE].

- When you talk about \$70, you get a program guide for a year and the brand new KPFT jersey. And that's only like \$0.19 a day, boys and girls. It's not a lot of money.

- And this jersey is hot. It's long-sleeved.

- It's gold plated.

- Visa Mastercard, American Express. We'll take it all. 526-5738, 526 KPFT that's the number to call. So what's going on out there?

- Well, we've got--

- It's all right. You may all come out.

- We're taking your pledge.

- 526-5738, 526-KPFT. That's the number to call.

- We're here in or admiring the KPFT red jersey.

- Which, by the way, looks pretty hot.

- Oh, I tell you.

- With metallic gold confetti all over the front.

- Oh, girl.

- And that's real gold. This is a gold plated T-shirt. That's right.

- Something I'd be interested in.

- OK, stay tuned. The news is coming up next. And we expect you to call. So call now. All this BBC News is on. I mean, you know-- 526-5738, 526-KPFT. We'll be back in a minute.

- It's all right. You may all come out.

- And we want to remind you, you're listening to listener sponsored KPFT Houston 90.1 FM. Call us up 526-5738, 526-KPFT.

- [INAUDIBLE] I'm Graham Smith. This is London. 0700 hours, Greenwich Mean Time.

- BBC World Service. The news read by David Anderson.

- Soviet troops have for the first time opened fire on Lithuanian civilians in order to seize control of the republic's main television and radio station. Reports speak of deaths and injuries. The United States and Britain have again expressed their concern over Moscow's handling of the nationalist challenge in Lithuania.

And the other big story, as the United Nations secretary general prepares for his talks with President Saddam Hussein in Baghdad, the American Congress has authorized President Bush to use force if Iraq does not withdraw from Kuwait.