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A Anise Parker 00:03

You know, and I made it. I made it all day long, long, long, about five o'clock tonight when it got dark and cold. And I was just cousin my campaign team out and I've got to quit and go home. And I kept thinking, No, I have volunteers out there. And I know my volunteers are going to be at their polling places until seven o'clock, I'm going to be my polling place until seven o'clock, everybody counts.

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How does it feel? What's what's, what's been the myriad of feelings going through you since you really knew? Actually, the

A Anise Parker 00:34


first one right now is tired. I'm excited and a little scared, and eager, all at once.

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Do you feel a great responsibility? Or

A Anise Parker 00:47

absolutely a tremendous responsibility? Anytime that you're the first? Whatever, you have a burden for everybody that's gonna come after you. I have I have a I have almost 2 million constituents. Wow, that's great. There's a million 7,000,008 residents of Houston.



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Scott Lewis 01:08

We talked about that, in the opening of the show that it was in that large position that you represented when district D it wasn't the gay district that it was the city of Houston. And



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that's very important, very important, it's probably more important than having someone from a predominantly gay district being voted in,

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Scott Lewis 01:29

I think, a much greater victory.

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Anise Parker 01:30

Well, we we of course, don't have a really a predominantly gay district. There are two districts that that really have the bulk of the gay community, that that would be H which is mostly the heights. And in D, which is sort of south and east. And but the thing is, I don't think even in a district. First of all, you have to represent all of your constituents. But there aren't enough of us in the city to elect one of us.



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That's just our votes. Right. Harvey Milk syndrome,

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Anise Parker 02:09

you have to build coalitions. And I had the most amazing coalition out there



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talking about that. I mean, the endorsed all walks of life endorsed you, it was,

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Anise Parker 02:19

I have been I've been campaigning in African American churches. For the for the last several weeks, I have been so thoroughly prayed over. I ought to be glowing right now I have I have heard some of the most, some of the best preaching I've ever heard in my life. But I, we try to hit six churches every Sunday, we got last Sunday, we actually made it to seven. And there was always I hate to say it always this little knot in the pit of my stomach every time we'd go into a new one. And first I'd be the only the only white person there. And but I was cat travel, I want to say I was traveling with Carl Robinson, who just got elected to City Council at large position

five crow scrolls a tremendous guy, and I'm really looking forward to serving with him. And I And Carl Davis and Dolores avington, who were the people who organized our church tour. And but every time I'd walk in, I have this little knot in the pit of my stomach that someone when we'd be introduced would say how could you have that lesbian in here? I mean, how could you that center in here something I was treated where with friends, I was with friends, I was treated absolutely beautifully. And the other thing that I think y'all were talking about, I'm sorry, I had been listening to the show both opponents, he really did run a very hard campaign and and he got a little, I guess, frustrated at the end, he got a little desperate. And so he ran a raid that radio commercial on the Casio h which is a predominately black station. Yeah. And it's, I've been I'm a family man, I have five grandchildren and my opponents are lesbian. And he sent out a piece of literature also that talked about that. It only went into the African American community. And there's, there's two problems with that, as I pointed out in my victory speech, one is that you know it, hey, to tell him but even the African American community votes on qualifications that was very insulting, sees that that's the only place it was sent. And also that they already knew that anyway. You weren't ever kept



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for 20 years of service to the community



Anise Parker 04:32

and some Yeah. And as much as we actually tried to downplay it during the campaign. And the other thing that's interesting that's happened recently is that nine months of campaigning, I was again, a treated very well on the campaign trail. I was allowed to speak about my issues. The very, I've been I was getting baited once and it was last Tuesday night. Wow. One guy stood up and he said you know If there were several number of us there candidates there, and he says, I've been listening to this for 45 minutes, and I have a question for Miss Parker. And he says, I just want to know, all this time I've listened to you haven't once mentioned the fact that you're lesbian. Why are you trying to hide this? And then he went on and on and on. And by the time he got through, haranguing us, I was gone from trying to hide it to try to flaunt it. What I said was that the reason the reason I didn't talk about it was that I don't consider it my primary qualification for Office. These are my qualifications and again, and I listed them off. And Kathy is my life partner who's sitting here with us tonight was in the back of the room and people after the candidate forum, people were coming after they were just mortified. They, I really do think we've gotten to the point in this country where that a lot of private whisper and people people will make jokes about us behind our backs. But we're finally getting to the point where you cannot do things like that not acceptable anymore. Yes, because it will crowd against him.



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Later for the nation, we



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have tremendous I want to hear from you. But you have to speak in that mind. Because that's what you're here

what you're here.



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Houston is just a leader for the nation. This city is absolutely tremendous. That the the, the pointspread was incredible. That so many people from so many communities from from Marlin to Montrose, I



Anise Parker 06:26

actually had a lot of there were a lot of miles Becker miles Becker Parker voters out there. Absolutely. Yeah. It was interesting. It



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is interesting. I know. My lover is a Republican, and he voted for you.



Anise Parker 06:43

Well, we have we now have we now have a black mayor and Hispanic controller and lesbian on city council. I am very good



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where it started.



Anise Parker 06:55

I'll give a give a little plug for my friend, Margaret Fraser is in town tonight to celebrate and she is the Sheriff of Travis County. Texas sheriff's are not supposed to look like Marga Fraser. Richards, like a little a little shorter, or slightly rounder, and Richards. But the she's the first lesbian elected in the state of Texas. And I'm a second and I'm very, very proud of that. Good,



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good. And we're proud of it. You were talking about how we have now a lesbian, we have a black mayor and and all of this. I mean, that's really showing diversity. Now



Anise Parker 07:35

the challenge is going to be to actually act on it and to govern over the next two years in a way that shows that diversity is a strength rather than a weakness, because the other kind of diversity we have is that we have a city council that is almost it may actually be evenly divided

diversity we have is that we have a city council, that is almost it may actually be evenly divided between conservatives and moderates are liberals, republicans, liberals, Republicans, Democrats, Republicans, here's me, it's getting a little like that. And because of the increasing partisan tone of the race, that may become more and more of a factor and the fact that whoever was going to be elected mayor was not going to be as strong as Bob Lanier was. So you're gonna see a more fractious Council and might be tough to build coalitions on there. I've



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already warned people that you were elected for all the people were just out there may be a vote that you have to make that may not break the Queer community. But But I mean, I'm going to disappoint people, it's going to happen because you're for all the people. And we have to realize that we have to, we have to be exactly we



Anise Parker 08:43

have to be big. The one thing I promise is that you will you will never find me taking bribes. Whether whether in a men's room or



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especially there that



Anise Parker 08:55

ended I will work very hard and that I will try to always be be honest with my constituents. Well, should



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you haven't done that last 20 years? Why should we think you're going to do it in the next?



Anise Parker 09:05

Thank you. I want to thank Well, I'm on the air, all of my absolute, the wonderful volunteer army, and to say one more time that the core of my volunteers were transgender, and women first. Just I had great great volunteers and



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incredibly loyal they were Yes, I know a couple of them that seemed like they lived at your campaign headquarters.



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Yes, yes.



Anise Parker 09:34

I'm kind of sometimes felt like and Kathy that's her business office that we were operating out of. So sometimes it was kind of it was a problem we really did. I have to



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interrupt to tell you that you're listening to after hours on KPFT Houston and ke o s College Station. This is Jimmy Carper. And our number is 5265738. I did want to ask Kathy how she was doing after all of this.



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Well, it's like Yeah, nine months and you finally have this wonderful your birthing.



Anise Parker 10:06

Tomorrow we get to sleep. And then And then tomorrow afternoon, I was gonna say we start campaigning again. And that's almost true. There'll be we've got a former transition team and you're ready to take off. Sure, sure, it won't be as elaborate as is the one that Mayor Brown is gonna be forming, but I'll have to do it nonetheless.




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We wish you the best of luck.





Anise Parker 10:33


Thank you very, very much. It took a little bit of luck. But it took a lot of really hard work with from a lot of dedicated volunteers and a lot of money. I don't I don't mind saying that was another amazing thing. Downtown lined up almost totally on the other side. And of course, the conventional wisdom is you can't win, win all the downtown money back somebody else subprime that. The best part was that from and I had a lot of support in the non gay community. I built a good coalition. I had I had a lot of straight volunteers out there. But almost every dollar I raised came from our community. Wow. And I raised my opponent. My checks were the checks I was receiving were 25 and 50. And his were 250 and 500. But all total I actually outraised him and so I will go into office really is a complete free agent. I don't know anybody anything that has business before the city. That's


 **Scott Lewis** 11:33
nice. Yeah, very nice. Very


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nice. Thanks for coming. Congratulations.

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I know I know. You're exhausted.


 **Anise Parker** 11:43
Yes, but you know, I'm still very excited what's gonna happen I'll probably just kind of fall over I want to go out I've been I need to stop by at some local establishments tonight before they close at two o'clock to try to thanks voters. You bet.

 12:00
You bet. Thanks for stopping by the studios.

 **Anise Parker** 12:04
Thank you. Thanks, all you listeners out there to after hours and believe it or not. Being gay, lesbian, transgender, bisexual. Doesn't need to stop you from your dreams.


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Great. Perfect. Thank you and congratulations again. In fact, that's exactly what we were talking about before and a Scott here. Why don't we take a break?

 **Scott Lewis** 12:33
Let's do that. Remind you? You're listening to KPFT 90.1 FM and Kayo s 89.1. College Station. And Brian will have a here's another single from that new CD by Martha wash available January 27.


 **Kirk Keevert** 12:56
Music over I am so pleased. I don't know give me give me the little thing. Yeah, so I can sort of

back announce it or something. Hey, keep on jumping with Jocelyn Brown. Is that what that was? No. That was then. Oh thanks so much for stopping by. Um, you listen to after hours. KPFT 90.1 conversation bla


 Scott Lewis 13:30
bla bla bla bla bla bla bla. Listen to come get me.


 Kirk Keevert 13:35
If there's a cab driver listening, come get the big ol plane KPFT on love it can get him flashing. Oh my God. It's not actually TV. So I have to have a recorded a recorded picture of it. Memory. Thank you. I was looking for a word this is it's HATCH time, a detached home. So let's, let's go. Let's go around the room just like we do every week and say hello.


 Jason 14:07
I'm Jason. Hi, I'm Tigger.


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I'm Tracy. Hello, I'm Patrick.


 Kirk Keevert 14:14
Me leftover from from the last segment.


 Jason 14:19
Don't you feel special? Yes, I


 Kirk Keevert 14:20
do. There's nothing really that I enjoy more than than the time that I spend here with HATCH. Well, that's only because I'm here. Yeah, Tigger. Skeeter, what was your name again? Your booth. Names Skipper? I don't know. Anyway. So what's up with HATCH this week? Um,

 Jason 14:42
well, I believe this week we're going to discuss family gatherings. Because, hey,


 Kirk Keevert 14:48
it's the season we're bitwixe to them. It's the


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seasons the holiday holidays.


 Jason 14:52
Well, you know, I'm trying to put it out of my mind. I try to forget about it as quickly as possible, but unfortunately I cannot You don't like the holidays? Oh no, you


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don't get along with your you get time off from everything.


 Jason 15:05
Yeah, but too much time with family and too much money on gifts.

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Well lie say you're at work.

 Kirk Keevert 15:12
You should do. You should do your shopping at garage sale.

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Dollar Store. Give them a broom.

 Jason 15:20
Let me just tell my mom, I have to go work on Christmas Day. There you go. Especially since I work with my aunt. Oh, she believed me. I'm sure.

 Kirk Keevert 15:30
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Anyway, cartons of cigarettes are not expensive. And



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actually, though, an interesting stocking stuffer that we decided upon last year, go ahead and get those little lottery cat like the little scratch off things could get a bunch of those and use those as stocking stuffers.



Kirk Keevert 15:45

Those are very nice. Especially, they're even more interesting if you if you just go and scratch them off ahead of time.



Jason 15:55

Okay. Are we speaking from experience here? Oh. Anyway, anyway. So family gatherings, love them, hate them, whatever it may be for each individual. So who all is getting together with what kind of oh, by the way, when I say family gatherings, I do mean either your like birth family, or your chosen family because I know several people who are getting together with their chosen family for the holidays. Me personally, I'm stuck with the birth family the blood stuck with stuck with actually listening.



16:38

Oh, I



Jason 16:39

doubt it. Hello. My parents are in New York. My family has a bunch of southern aristocrats. Okay. They would never listen to like gay radio, they would never acknowledge that homosexuals exist. But that's why I say when I say about my family. So who are y'all getting together with?



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I don't know. I mean, I'm just so happy that I have two days off in a row. Christmas and Christmas Eve. I'm just like, yes. No work for two whole days. I'm getting. I could care less who I spend the time with.



Jason 17:13

I get two and a half days. I get a half day off on Christmas Eve.



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You're scorned.



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I have no idea about my work schedule. Yeah,



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yeah. Actually, I don't know. I just I really love the holidays. I mean, I've got to break out that Santa hat starting tomorrow. But I love that. I mean, and I guess the trick is, I mean, what we've always done is we spend because I live with my mother and her girlfriend. And what we typically do is we go spend a couple days with the real family that incorporates with my grandparents and everybody else kind of centers there for a few days, and then come back in town and like last Christmas actually spent Christmas with my godmother and her girlfriend and a couple other people. But uh, you know, it's one of those times where you don't necessarily have got a big old gay family. Oh, yeah, I got lesbian stepmothers all over the state, man. I mean, that's I guess that's the nice thing about having that holiday, you



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Kirk Keevert 18:05

know, not enough people can make that claim. I have lesbian stepmothers all over the state. That's lovely. Well,



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these days,



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Kirk Keevert 18:14

you must you, you have got to have the most fascinating Christmas card list.



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Well, I know don't give me an example. I'm not gonna



18:24

get started just I'm just wondering, Okay. Well, these days I bring the list of all my lesbian stepmothers and I'll say hello to every one of them. I



Jason 18:32

got to decorate on the House last week and I said my humbug.



18:37

I have tradition in my family. Every every year, we switch off the Thanksgiving dinner and my mom will do Thanksgiving dinner this year. She'll do Christmas, Christmas breakfast and then my Anil end up doing Christmas dinner and it switches off so one of them doesn't have to do the big meal a year so there's only one dinner each year and this year at Christmas dinners at my aunt my aunt's house.



Kirk Keevert 18:57

And what's your lesbian stepmom doing? I don't have a mother for God's sake get one a skippers over here skips



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column Tweety he was all chicken bring



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Jimmy back in this weekend.



Kirk Keevert 19:10

Can't we all there's a there's there's there's an injunction. He can't come around people your age. Anyway. I'm betting that wasn't entirely. Oh, now Jimmy



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is back in the way to be that Jimmy.



Kirk Keevert 19:24

So anyway, that was so untrue. I don't mean I don't want anyone to think that Jimmy has an injunction against him. Clearing it up.



Jason 19:36



He was he was like clearing up his blasphemous rumors that he started.



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How sweet and paediatric? What



Kirk Keevert 19:43

about your lesbian stepmom?



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Oh. I had a pretty interesting Thanksgiving though. I guess it's sort of a pain in the butt. I had relatives over and so I felt compelled to move all my gay related books and stuff. Like into my little trunk and lock it up so they called straightening



Kirk Keevert 20:04

up the room dear



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I don't know I didn't really feel comfortable letting my relatives know at this point. But other than that, I pretty much enjoy Thanksgiving I'm looking forward to Christmas just because of because of the family just because I'm supposed to get a computer but so that'll be fun.



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My Christmas presents behind me my jacket you



Kirk Keevert 20:31

got your bite? Oh



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they gave me a new one no my jacket I




Kirk Keevert 20:36


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think your bite was big and round enough now it


 Jason 20:39
is it is it is the holidays it is the holidays so let's be a little bit cheerful being


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true as me last time too.


 Kirk Keevert 20:46
I was never


 Jason 20:47
your I don't want to I don't want to have to play mediator here. But to remind everybody that you are listening to HATCH on KPFT after hours number


 Kirk Keevert 21:00
give him the HATCH number no I'm in like the KSP oh the KPFT number KPFT 526508 No. 526 What is the phone number here 526-573-8526 KPFT.


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Also if you happen to be one of those net type people you can check the HATCH webpage@www.hatch.org.org


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or calm

 Kirk Keevert 21:24
or it's


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more appropriate organization

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people


 21:30
exactly. We're very ordered


 Kirk Keevert 21:32
for commas for commercial. And like KPFT is website is org


 Jason 21:39
and what's that phone number?


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713942702

 Jason 21:44
That's for the HATCH voicemail line. Hey

 21:52
nothing Yes, I lied. It's not 942742 funding

 Kirk Keevert 21:58
it let's let's start from the beginning

 22:00
713-742-7002

 Kirk Keevert 22:04
Thank you. Okay.



Jason 22:05

And that is not that is not a live manned phone line that is a dead man's phone. It's a voicemail line but a



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member a member of



Jason 22:18

the steering committee youth will call the so you don't have to worry about us outing you we are very discreet but when we call back so just everybody can keep



Kirk Keevert 22:29

what's what's her cute little names? She still is she's still doing the calling back.



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Andrea Adria we she's now the coordinator of Andrea is she she's a coordinator and every other week we're switching off



Jason 22:40

yeah all of the what? Tell



Kirk Keevert 22:42

Adria to come back again. Sometimes since she was supposed to she was



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working. She had worked late and she called me and she apologized. She said Hi everyone. But but you do have to commend



Jason 22:51

me I did actually finally get a lesbian to come back onto the show. I am very I'm a lesbian. And so you do not.



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You don't have any has to say it



Kirk Keevert 23:02

off. I couldn't scare her off. She's alleged I came back.



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Did I not come back? Three times. Now. You did



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come back. That's right. And we're glad these other two guys can't get a word in edgewise.



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Hey, now. You're so mean to me. I



Jason 23:17

think it's just take a shot at Tracy Knight.



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I'm saying I'm just



Jason 23:21

I love you personally.





Kirk Keevert 23:23


I love you, Tracy. It's our way of welcoming you. That's a warm welcome. Oh, you didn't treat her like that. Her? I knew her. And he's Parker. Nice.





Jason 23:34


 Jason 23:15
Well, she's a woman. She's a woman of power. Yeah. Yeah. Well, you


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have a woman of sludge. Oh,

 Kirk Keevert 23:41
that's funny. None of us are women of sludge.


 23:43
What are you doing with that camera?


 Jason 23:45
Patrick is just snapping away in that booth.

 23:47
I got this free camera and I decided to bring it in take pictures so that's got a free camera. Yeah, somebody like spilled sour milk at my work and they gave it to us. It's pretty neat. It doesn't smell sour. Really nasty.

 24:01
It does the benefits of working at Randall

 Kirk Keevert 24:06
Did you just certain harked on him? Alright.

 Jason 24:10
I say we take a break for a little bit of christmas eve Music Oh no. Oh god.

 24:17
Oh no.



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I can handle everything in Christmas but the music it's all



Jason 24:21

typical character Carol character it's by Venus and V and it's all be homo are all be a homo for Christmas. Yeah,



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God sounds interest. This



Jason 24:32

is gonna be even worse. Well, Jimmy just came in and handed it to me and I was like, Oh, it sounds fast. I'm like,



Kirk Keevert 24:38

do you music? You gotta stop that. Well, I



Jason 24:40

was you know, I was running late and so I didn't actually have time to



Kirk Keevert 24:43

fussy is what you were. Like, like,



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everyone is so mean tonight.



Kirk Keevert 24:48

I don't know. It's just me being me.



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Then change. I'm just joking. No, no, no, no. Okay, lesbian in the house. No more See



Jason 25:01

the music you're listening to 90.1 KPFT Houston and



Kirk Keevert 25:09

I'm filled with the holiday spirit.



Jason 25:11

That was Venus envy. I'll be home for Christmas.



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Pretty great. Pretty,



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pretty new music made pretty bad stuff. Oh, make me hate.



Kirk Keevert 25:27

I talk about this later if I get a chance to because this isn't really a HATCH thing really. But I just I just want to ask Does anybody want to Ally McBeal? God Wilson Cruz was on this week res as Yes. As a as



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a drag queens like press as a prostitute



Kirk Keevert 25:43

as he really? Oh, yes. He's



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really the guy who did it in New York was like straight. Yeah, he's really he's really



Kirk Keevert 25:49

gay. And and it was so if you ever watched it at all? It usually it's same guy that did picket fences. And so is that usually that funny kind of serious kind of thing? Drama deal. And he ended up getting shot at the end. Really sad. I cried like a baby. It was so good. Okay. So and he's go in here actually, he just started in New York.



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I'm gonna see it.



Kirk Keevert 26:22

So, gating you know, I made the I made the connection. There you go. But anyway,



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my best friend caged me. She couldn't I miss you. She hasn't she hasn't put that in and like over two months.



Jason 26:36

Oh, I'll say hi. That's fun. Hi, Becca.



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I don't even think she's listening. Now. I didn't I didn't tell I didn't tell her the station. Page me. You're listening.



Jason 26:47

Curiosity. Anybody besides Tigger? Like in good enough of a family situation to be able to take someone home or anything like that? I think I could



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probably take my boyfriend home.





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I think what do you mean home? Do you mean like to meet the family? Yeah I could do it And


I think what do you mean mother. Do you mean, like to meet the family? Yeah, I could do it. And I would do it is for my parents, they would know. And but everyone else in my family would that's her friend. That's it. I could never my mom would kill me because my grandparents found out I'd be doing. My mom told me she said if you ever do tell her tell them like my mother. And you know, know


 **Kirk Keevert** 27:22
how and how old are your grandparents?


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They're under 60s. My mother loves me to death. I don't I don't think it would matter

 **Kirk Keevert** 27:30
to her. Are they? Are they typically not I mean, conservative, liberal.

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My mom would be embarrassed. It's a thing for my mother, not for me. My mom will be worried that her image as a parent will die to her mom. So she's worried about her self.

 **Jason** 27:49
Image be scarred. Right? Well,

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it hurts me. But, you know, whatever.

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I mean, it's I mean, it's the same way with me. I mean, my mother and I have discussed it. And I had no intention of letting my grandparents know, really, my God my best. Well, I say hi to everyone. And it's one of those things where they had enough problems dealing with the fact that my mother was gay. I mean, at least my mother had a child before she came out of the closet. Right? They had a grandson through her, you know. But it just got in the past few years, actually, that they were comfortable enough that they could meet one of her lovers. And now that they're in their 60s, I think they would probably just freakin die when they discovered that they probably will not have any more relatives for me. Okay, well,

 Kirk Keevert 28:37

do you think do you think that's, that's because of that? Or is it? To me, my concern would be that, that, that, that might give them the ammunition to say, Well, you see what happens when you let when you let lesbians raise children?

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I don't know. Unless, I mean, I'm less worried about that. Were my grandparents younger and more active and political. I mean, my grandparents aren't political. I for one thing, you know, they don't have the people that are out there. Bible bang and doing all that stuff and raising hell. You know, I mean, granted, there was problems with the family when my mother came out, but it stayed within the family, right?

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I came out to someone at work today. And that happened to me. She said, I came up to a girl at work. She's she's just barely younger than me. She's 17 About turn 18. And she did ask me, she said you can raise your children to be gay. I'm like, No,

 Jason 29:30

that's it. We're gonna go out and a brief.

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How can I corrupt a child? You

 Jason 29:36

know, not but is it corruption? I don't? Well, I

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mean, how can I make a child do something that they aren't going to do? Or, I mean, what happens if I have a straight child and I'm trying to force him to be gay? That's just the opposite of having a gay child and trying to force him to be straight. That'd be hypocritical. But but it does happen. Okay, I'm not gonna do it.

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I will. But I mean, and that's a personal thing, but I had had a discussion with a friend of mine yesterday. Um, because at some point I would like to have kids beat adoption surrogate mother, whatever. I would like to have a child. But you know, one of the things we talked about

mother, whatever, I would like to have a child. But, you know, one of the things we talked about there are a lot of gay parents are also I mean, just as our straight parents that have a, you know, that have a sexuality in mind for their kids, you know, being gay or straight. My mother did not expect for me to be gay. She raised me as her straight son and expected me to be that until such point, as I told her, I mean, that's and that was every bit as restrictive as it was, you know, I had, you know, yeah, had anyone else done it. Because she, she expected me to be straight. And therefore, when I was outed to her, I mean, it was it was, it was almost as traumatic as pretty much everybody else. I mean, we went through a lot of the same things. Because, you know, you still had I mean, you have to be supportive, and your child exploring your sexuality, regardless of what they are. And at the time, I wasn't getting that from my mom. What



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I was just saying, what she just automatically assumed that since I'm gay, I'm going to try to make my children gay. That was the point of what I was saying. And it kind of shocked me, no one's ever asked me that before. I've never been asked that. And I told her, I said, No, I'm gonna let my child be whatever my child is, if my child is gay, then fine. If they're straight, then fine. Well,



Kirk Keevert 31:16

okay, so I'm assuming that this person was your age ish. Okay, that's correct. When I came out to the rest of my family, the grandparents and all that foolishness. It was it was decided that, at that time that I wouldn't that they wouldn't tell my cousins who were I don't know, in school at the time, certainly younger than you guys were



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of your age, though.



Kirk Keevert 31:45

No, no, they're younger, they're much younger than I am. I was like, 1011 years ago that I came out. And they were they were younger than us that still like, you know, early, high school, late, junior high. So anyway. Later, I told them again, and that at this point, they were in, one was in college when was a senior in high school. And they still didn't want me to tell them, they wanted to tell them in their own time. And I thought, you know, they're, what do you got to quit protecting, you got to quit protecting them. And I think a lot of kids, a lot of straight kids are in that situation, that they're so protected from it, by their parents protected from the real world. That they don't know. They don't know. They, they they have to ask those questions, because they have no basis for an answer.



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I'm just glad that I mean, she didn't treat me any differently. And she still respects me. And I

still get along with her. We work great together. Oh, cool. And my, I have two real employees. One's named Steve. And another one is Katie. And Steve is he's really nice. And I told him, I haven't come up to my head boss yet. But Steve is just really supportive. And being a straight guy, you can just imagine some of the things he says, but I think

 Jason 33:01

it's a lot harder to talk negatively about somebody who's a friend or who you enjoy being around, when you find out something like they're gay. If if you met a lot of people, and they knew you were gay, when you met them, then it would be a lot different than coming out to your friends and coming out people know you as a person. She

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was really interested to hear everything you had to say to I like that when they ask questions instead of just assume stuff. So rather than ask questions, that's

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been my experience. I mean, even though even though you may hear some really stupid questions, when I first started working with Papa sceetos, I was working with a few Hispanic girls that were kind of I mean, not to sound stupid, but to get OG mentality, and they had never met a gay man. And when I first told them, they first found out I mean, they just asked me the most off the wall things. But I mean, they just love the fact that I was gay. I mean, one of them, like, introduced me to her boyfriend to find out to find out what I thought about. She wanted the gay stamp of approval to love that. I thought, I mean, it was so funny.

 Kirk Keevert 33:58

And that continues to go on. I mean, I I, I work with this girl. That is 23, something like that. And we sit right next to each other. She talks about her boyfriend and everything. Excuse me, she came to the Comedy Sports Show last night. And she she asked me after he after her boyfriend had walked off. So what do you think? What do you think of Peter? Do you think Peter is cute? I have no opinion about Peter, Peter straight.

 Jason 34:27

Throw our number out there again. And our website, Tracy.

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Okay, the number is 717137427002. And the website is [www dot HATCH. Well, you say it too fast dot HATCH. youth.org.](http://www.fastdotHATCH.youth.org)



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That's one word. Oh



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my God. Where did they put spaces in it?



Jason 34:49

They could have that that number. Again, anybody who's on the internet? It's all that number again is 7133742



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Oh 427002



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I thought it was too I take out the phone and call 942702 because Miss Thing corrected me over here. I



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want to prove her wrong. I'm sorry, newsletter without



Kirk Keevert 35:16

ever whichever one is wrong is probably it's probably the Klan headquarters.



35:21

You know? That would be cool. Hi, if you're gay leave a message we will come to your house and we will have burning crosses within days.



35:32

I hope it's the HATCH line since you know it's like 130 in the morning. Well, we're



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gonna help Well, if I'm wrong, I apologize. It doesn't is



Kirk Keevert 35:39

9429420 Gummy gummy? Hey, we were all kind of wondering. Thank you for saying it. So we didn't have to.



Jason 35:51

The phone number is 71394 to 702. That is not a man phone. That is a voicemail not even



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a staffed phone. Okay,



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what does that mean? Explain Jimmy talk.



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There's a woman answering



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the phone. We are not PC. Anyway, I



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wanted to find Tracy because now that she's a member of HATCH, she probably doesn't have to call the number but



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she's on the steering committee, but I don't even




Jason 36:20


know bitterness on the radio. Please. Nobody is on the radio. I don't want to turn anybody's


 Kirk Keevert 36:23
there's nothing but there's nothing but love and love.


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Mary Mary this time.


 Kirk Keevert 36:31
Except, of course, if it has 17 lesbian step mothers


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Oh, not 1717


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lesbian step mothers? Yes.


 Jason 36:41
He is. Let me count just for everyone out there. I don't


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want a lesbian step mother, I'd want something a little closer to my age. And


 Jason 36:48
let's work our way back towards the whole topic of being with the family. Because I know for me, it's gonna be a fairly traumatic thing, because I can't be with, you know, the person I care about. It's just all about getting back to him. And so it's not. It's not all about getting back to me. It's about getting back to the top.


 37:05
Oh, okay.


 Jason 37:08
Sir. Yeah, but anybody who's heard me talking about my family knows, very conservative Southern family.


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It ain't happen. So yeah, I'd hate to see your family and Wesley's family at a little reunion.


 Kirk Keevert 37:20
It's taken quite a lot of its mannerisms from the people of the Deep South. Well, why


 Jason 37:26
do you think Steel Magnolias is such a campy movie exactly


 Kirk Keevert 37:28
what I'm saying.

 Jason 37:31
Anyway, you're listening to 90.1 KPFT, after hours and 89.1k EOS College Station?

 Kirk Keevert 37:41
No, I'm sorry, kids, we're gonna have to do I will not. Sorry, go ahead. And

 Jason 37:47
we are HATCH. And the phone number to get ahold of us is area code 713-942-7002.

 37:57
And the web page is [www dot HATCH youth.org](http://www.dotHATCHyouth.org). And

 Jason 38:02
he was just waiting to say that I'm proud of you.



38:06

We're actually hoping for the number to KPFT which would be five to 638.



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That was, that was an interesting way.



Jason 38:16

But anyway, we're gonna have to wrap it up. So we'll be on lines when



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I think next time we'll do less plugs for the phone number and more actual discussion.



Jason 38:27

Well, we do need to make sure to get the number out and around so and correct for idiots like myself. That's a nine. Although they do look similar at a quick glance. Nine, but we'll be on again and I guess.



Kirk Keevert 38:42

At least certainly the first first. First, January 1, Monday, joint Saturday, Saturday



Jason 38:49

and Saturday slash Sunday when we're on at one 130 I consider it Saturday night. Some people consider it's early Sunday morning, whatever you want to call it. We're going to be on you know, one to 130 but



Kirk Keevert 39:01

the third of January 1998. Okay,



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that's wonderful. So



Jason 39:06

no scaring me. I'm going to leave y'all with Carol of the Bells which is the only really like Christmas carol that I like Hi Scott. I love you and if anybody else



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sorry. Hey, cute boys. I love you all. Sorry, I had to do it. Okay, we are



Jason 39:24

okay, we're out of here now.



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Happy holidays.



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Thank you