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## SPEAKERS

Charles Law, Ben Zetas, Mike Miesch, Ray Hill, Art Tomaszewski

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[Do Doo Run Run plays]



Ray Hill 01:00

Good evening. The name of the program is Wilde 'n' Stein like Frankenstein. It is a monster. But this time it is a friendly monster of our creation. It is an opportunity for gay Houstonians and their friends to communicate with all of Houston. Wilde 'n' Stein name for Gertrude Stein and Oscar Wilde.



Mike Miesch 02:24

Good evening, this is Wilde 'n' Stein, this is Mike. On tonight's show, following news, Uncle Artie's Neighborhood. I have some quotes. I'm going to read some original some art. And it'll fit in just nicely after Uncle Artie's neighborhood. And after that, we'll have announcements and from announcements, we'll go into a special tape, sort of a sound collage I did of various tapes in the KPFT archives. And then I'm going to get Ray Hill in to talk about what we heard on those tapes. A good bit of music and history and those tapes. And also we'll be featuring Holly near as our music feature. So stay tuned. Chris Williamson, then son of the soul All right, Chris Williamson was son of the soul. By now we'll go right on into gay world news.



Ben Zetas 03:39

This is gay World News I'm Ben Zetas



Art Tomaszewski 03:41

and I'm Art Tomaszewski.

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**Ben Zetas 03:43**

The recent arrest of radical fugitives during an attempted branch robbery has created concern in the lesbian and gay community about possible harassment by grand juries convened to investigate domestic terrorist activity. Those arrested during the robbery had been identified in the mass media as members of the Weather Underground, and the Black Liberation Army. Reports of the robbery have also linked the suspects to the feminist and gay movements. Kathy Boudin one of those arrested has been identified as a lesbian by Jane Alpert. Alpert is a former radical and fugitive who turned herself in in 1974. Her recently published Memoirs of her life Underground State that butadiene spent several years in Boston where she had a woman lover was involved in feminist activity. These events are reminiscent of the 1975 Arrest of Suzanne Sacks, which became the rationale for FBI harassment of lesbians in several cities. According to Sachs, the FBI has recently announced that it will intensify its search for Kathy Power her former lover, Sacks and Power were co defendants in a case stemming from a politically motivated bank robbery that took place in 1972. observers predict that a grand jury would be called to New York to investigate the robbery, and the sauce suspects possible links to other militant organizations. Other potential sites for grand juries include Boston and Berkeley. grand juries have broad investigative powers and make them truly formidable. Witnesses subpoenaed by a grand jury are all often offered immunity from prosecution. The witness refuses to testify after being promised immunity, she or he can be jailed indefinitely for contempt.

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**Art Tomaszewski 05:33**

The prostitutes of Athens, Greece 600 brothels have gone on strike, demanding that the new socialist government repeal conservative laws that limit prostitution and prohibit homosexuals and transvestites from being employed in brothels. legislation enacted by the former Conservative government limits the number of brothels per police precinct to 12 meaning that many of Athens 600 houses would have to shut down. The laws which the former government claimed were aimed at controlling the spread of venereal disease also prohibits the employment of homosexuals as prostitutes, homosexuals and transvestites, regardless of profession, are subjected to regular weekly hospital checkups for venereal disease if they are found making rendezvoused in public places. Registered prostitutes must also have weekly checkups. This legislation has been denounced as discriminatory by several international figures, including John Paul Sartre, film director Jules Dassin, who is the husband of actress Marina Macquarie and the former French Minister of Culture since the socialist victory. In the October elections, the gay community is confident that the discriminatory laws will be repealed. Meanwhile, Creek prostitutes who are more concerned with the economic aspect of the conservative legislation have staged a march on parliament and have threatened to go on a hunger strike if their demands are not met.

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**Ben Zetas 07:10**

After a lobbying effort by more than majority head Jerry Falwell, the Senate Judiciary Committee wrote his six year prison term for sodomy into the reform of the Federal Criminal Code. The provision would apply to sodomy on federal property such as Indian reservations,

national parks and perhaps federal office buildings, even if the sixth act is private, consensual and between adults. If the provision becomes law, sodomy will be the will be a federal crime for the first time in US history.

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Art Tomaszewski 07:43

On November 13, the US Senate shrugged off an effort to have the anti gay McDonald amendment attached to the Senate version of the Legal Services Corporation funding bill, a move that suggests that may be drawn that the line may be drawn on anti gay bills. It is still too early to predict that gays will be unscathed when the final LSC bill has passed since it must now go through a conference committee, where the House version with its anti gay provision must be reconciled with the Senate version and then pass back to both chambers for a final vote. But the lack of a Senate roll call vote on the McDonald amendment, as well as his defection from the Senate version put a new light on gay issues in Congress. It is clear that if the new Christian Right really wants this issue voted on so that they can use it in their moral report cards during the next elections. They must Marshal more support in the Senate. Since the Senate is now controlled by Republicans and there is no shortage of new Christian Right allies and important positions there. The lack of a roll call vote could mean either that the new Christian right is not as powerful as it thought or that its alliances are unraveling.

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Ben Zetas 09:00

According to a report by the Associated Press, the United States Food and Drug Administration on November 16, announced its approval of the Hepta Vax be the first vaccine against Hepatitis B to be distributed in this country. The vaccine developed by Merck sharp and Dohme of West Point Pennsylvania, was tested last year on 1400 gay men by researchers at the National Center for these Disease Control in Atlanta. The test showed an 85% effectiveness rate and no significant side effects. The drug is the first vaccine ever to be made directly from human blood. According to Merck, President John Lyons, the difficulties and cost of obtaining blood plasma from people who have contracted hepatitis B will make back vaccinations expensive. Three shots to be administered over a six month period would cost between 75 and \$120. The vet vaccination, which last at least five years, would be initially recommended only for such high risk people as health workers and gay men with a large number of sexual contacts.

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Art Tomaszewski 10:11

The Senate has overwhelmingly confirmed the nomination as Surgeon General of C. Everett Koop, an outspoken opponent of lesbian and gay rights and women's right to abortion. The vote of 68 to 24 filed less than an hour of debate, during which no mention was made of gay rights and only passing reference was made to abortion. But Senator Edward Kennedy charged at the debate that coop has cruel, outdated and patronizing stereotypes of women. Susan Greene of gay rights national lobby told us the effect of coops nomination on gay people is yet to be seen. It was the Public Health Service however, which coop will soon head that, in effect altered US immigration policy by refusing to rule on the homosexuality of aliens attempting to enter the country. It is in areas like immigration Green said that coops effect will likely be felt.

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Ben Zetas 11:11

The Smithsonian Institution the nation's Museum is offering something in its Christmas catalog that keeps all this in perspective. It states a replica of the Decatur ring particularly appropriate as a wedding band. The ring, which is available \$435 from the Smithsonian Institution is giving the following history on the evening of September 4 1908, the original of this ring. Now in our naval history Hall was given to Stephen Decatur by Lieutenant Richard Summers, and a gesture of friendship typical that area. The next day Somers was killed on a mission to excel to explode the British catch intrepid in Tripoli.

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Art Tomaszewski 11:57

Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund Incorporated has announced receipt of a \$13,500 grant from the New York University Public Interest Law Foundation. According to co chairs Nath Rockwell and Michael Seltzer, this is one of the largest single grants ever given to a lesbian gay organization. The grant will be used to fund major new research and litigation against anti gay legislation and to fight attempts to cut off federal and state funds to gay and civil liberty organizations. Rosalyn Richter, former executive director of Lambda will serve as the project's attorney high priorities will be combating the McDonald Amendment and the so called Family Protection Act.

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Ben Zetas 12:42

And that's the news sources for tonight's stories include gay community news and the advocate.

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Mike Miesch 12:48

And we'll be back with Uncle Artie neighborhood after this announcement. This Saturday and Sunday KPFT proudly brings 40 hours of uninterrupted bluegrass and traditional music to our listeners with live on the air performances by local bands, rare concert recordings, interviews, and an in depth study of this truly American tradition. If you haven't heard much bluegrass tune in for a well rounded introduction for those of you who have been here all along. This is KPFT his way of saying thank you for your continued support. That's 8am this coming Saturday until midnight Sunday. For more info call 526 4000 And y'all come. On and we're back Nansemond for bluegrass weekend, and hope those of you who are interested will tune in for that. Right now, Uncle Artie's Neighborhood.



14:11

Well hello, everybody. Welcome to Uncle Artie and Mr. Jack's Neighborhood. Couple of things going on in town. New Musical, MGM is first musical and 10 years is going to be opening this week in use and it's called pennies from heaven. And it stars Steve Martin and Bernadette Peters. And it combines high camp musical numbers with a storyline that is realistic social commentary of the 30s. It's a very unusual movie and you're probably going to read some reviews of it in the local papers by people that hated it, but I would recommend it highly for anybody that is interested in something different, an American film. I'd also like to mention

that this week in Texas magazine or TW T is actively soliciting poetry. And they've asked me to let you know that and all poems that are going to be submitted need to be typed. And the shorter the better because they're going to be used basically as filler space. So the shorter the poem is, the more likely we'll be able to fit it into the magazine. And I think this tweet is offering an opportunity for people to, to publish their poetry that really don't have access or don't or have never thought about it before because of what they're writing about. And if you have something you'd like to submit, just send it to TW T, and Mark, attention poetry editor on the envelope, and it'll get to the right people. Okay, tonight, I'm going to do a tribute to John Lennon, who, as you all know, was killed a year ago this last Tuesday. And I'm sure you've been hearing a lot of Beatles music a lot of John Lennon music the last couple of days, so I decided to play all Yoko Ono music. The first song is off of the newest album by Yoko called season of glass. And it's a song called nobody loves me like you do.

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Art Tomaszewski 16:33

Well, that was Yoko Ono off of her approximately infinite universe album. And now we're going to do the song that John was producing the night that he was shot. It's a disco song that Yoko recorded called walking on thin ice. And this goes out to all my friends in the business community that are having problems now. With visits being slow. A little bit of walking on thin ice by Yoko.

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Mike Miesch 17:14

Yoko Ono and you're listening to Wilde 'n' Stein right now a few announcements. In Iraq, Houston will be holding its coffee house Friday evening then as usual from 730 until midnight, and this coming Saturday there will be having a covered dish supper at 730. And there's always quite exceptional. And for information about the cupboard dish dinner, you can call 5281311. The seventh annual Southeastern Conference of lesbian and gay men will be held March 19 through 21st and Tampa, Florida, at the University of South Florida. The campus hosts will be the US gay lesbian Coalition and the community hosts will be the Bay Area Rights Council. Besides the usual workshops and seminars that will be entertained by Robin Tyler and view the movie greetings from Washington and participate in the first sell the first annual southeastern lesbian gay tennis tournament. And if you'd like more information on the seventh annual Southeastern Conference, you can get information by mailing to conference at two bucks CTR 2466 University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida in the zip is 33620. There is a call to mobilize for the National march on Washington for lesbians and gay rights to that was issued by the National Organization of lesbians and gays at its coordinating meeting held in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The march will take place on May 2 1982. The march was called to mobilize lesbians and gays and their supporters to resist the escalating attacks from the Reagan administration, the US Congress and the far right. The demands of the march are as follows stop the Family Protection Act passed the National Gay rights bill stop the discriminatory discriminatory immigration policy against lesbians and gays pass s 157 to allow. Then i da Roy Bhutan, Filipino lesbian to immigrate to the US events leading up to the March will include both actions and lobbying on the local level. Major lobbying effort has also been planned for the nation's capitol to coincide with the National March, the National March office will temporarily operate out of the gay community center in Washington DC. If you'd like any of those contact numbers, you

can call us here at 526 4000. Right now, following this announcement, I'm gonna be playing a very interesting tape, a tape of very important history with a great deal of music from that event, and we'll be talking about it after we play it.



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Thanks, there is something basically wrong with getting up on January the first and say, Oh, what are we going to do this year? It is time that this movement considered itself serious enough to continue the rent passed a one year lease. Let's don't find ourselves in this situation anymore. Running out of time running out of hope, wishing wanting but can't do that's ridiculous.



Ben Zetas 21:06

Will the march be large? Yes. If people come out of the closet, yes, if people come out of the discos. And if they take the issue of social change as seriously, as did the conference delegates.



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Is Prosciutto I am a clown from San Francisco. But I am an Italian clown. If you can read you can see this banner here says lesbian clowns are serious about our rights. And we really mean it. It's not a document for us if you know any clowns, you know, they are very serious people. And think about it. Because when somebody tells you that you have to act like them, otherwise people won't take you serious. That's what they're talking about when they call you a query or a faggot, or a dyke, or any other things like that. We



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just did the same background on the Third World Conference. And some of its accomplishments, our dreams and our goals for the Third World Conference, within hundreds of lesbians and gays of color would come together in the spirit of unity. We have accomplished the following. First, we have established a national political service organization that will reflect the concerns and needs of lesbians and gays, or racial ethnic minorities.



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Somebody back home to look at this on the television or hear this on the radio.



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I'm from Bismarck, North Dakota, and I'm out here marching with these people because without showing that for everywhere, I am here to speak about those of us who aren't here, because they can't be here. Our brothers and sisters in jails in prisons throughout the country. When we

are incarcerated, we face special problems, a loss of fundamental rights of self expression, including contact with loved ones, which are rights that are taken for granted. On the outside food



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a blind man from Arizona was separated from his state contingent he is behind the stage will someone from his state contingent come and be with Steve let us not leave this man alone?



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Me Me be saying



24:00

thank you very much.



24:03

Charles Law has been selected by the cultural committee to express points of view relative to the meaning of the purpose of this entity.



Charles Law 24:11

I want to share with you. My thoughts about the challenges of the gay movement in the 1980s. Now think that challenge is integration and not assimilation. And I feel that the situations that have characterized the black movement, especially after the death of Dr. King, are beginning to characterize the gay movement. I'm afraid that gay people will find themselves 10 years after the death of Harvey Milk in much the same way that black people are finding themselves 10 years after the death of Dr. King, not having achieved anything. And the problems that plague black people then have not changed. The traumas and confrontations of black people then have not subsided. Moreover, the issues are still the same what black people needed then and need now and unsympathetic, unbiased and just opportunity to experience freedom to have a job to support a family to make a decent living and to share in the full measure the American dream. The processes that have come forth from the movie was directed toward the large segment of black people, and only a small seven benefited from that. And those black people who reflected the analytical, interpretive, literary and aesthetic attributes of that society were accepted as being black and the dirty nickels in America and still living in ghettos and still suffering from the deprecating pressures of this country. And I'm afraid that we will find that those gay people who do not come across as being offensively gay as militantly gay, obviously gay, adamantly gay or admittedly gay will be the ones to reap the benefits of the open, heartfelt expression of this hypocritical society. And there will be those individuals who have reaped the benefits of this struggle, and the sacrifice of all of you and of Harvey Milk. And the real sissies and a bunch of women in this country will still have to live in gay ghettos and not have achieved the true endpoint of this movement. As black people have allowed, and are

allowing the death of Dr. King to be in vain, gay people can't allow the death of Harvey Milk to be in vain. I say this to you now, because I'm observing some things happening in this country that some people view as being favorable or positive. But I see it as being a detriment to this movement. There appears to be a general theme now that nobody really worries whether you are again, just go on and do your thing. And that is quite true. No one in America is concerned as to whether you are gay. No one is concerned whether a gay person loses his job. No one is concerned whether a gay person is harassed in his community. No one is concerned whether the laws of this country are slanted against gay people and invade their homes in their private lives. No one is concerned about the continual threats that override in the press gay people every day. And I'm saying that there's a need for a concern. And I feel that we are expressing that need today. And it is our responsibility to come out of the wilderness, not to wander in the end and linger in the wilderness, the wilderness of despair but to come out and realize the dream, realize the promised land and gather our strength, our fortitude, our creativity, our initiative and our hope and go into that promised land of dignity, pride and respect.



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Let that underscore the need for you personally go to the office of your representative or your senator. Tomorrow in the houses in the offices of Congress. Robin Holmes, go to your car. There is an emergency Robin homes go to your car there is an emergency TRB is coming for sure. All right. audio bugs. We'll get back to this Blaze. Look around TRB is on the way with other male entertainment. All right. There has been a lost child a three year old child who enters the name of Margo Margo. She is wearing a green parka. And blue corduroy pants. She has light brown hair. If you know where Margo is. If Margo is about your feet, take her to the Lutherans concern blue banner over in this area over here. Lutherans concern



Mike Miesch 29:06

I had to put this one on again. They're looking for Margo.



29:10

All right. We need people who have vehicles who can transport the handicap from this area that people that are physically challenged here below needs some help and getting transported back to the bus area. If you have a vehicle that can assist in that effort, please come forward. And at this time report to the area immediately behind the stage and AR for your vehicle. We need some help to get those folks back to their bus. They screaming money at me a lot and I'll tell you why they're screaming money at me a lot for I and several other people who are March organizers are going to have to go into personal bankruptcy if you don't fork over. It's just that simple. This business of national marches on Washington is not cheap. This business the national march on Washington is very successful. And let's keep the limits of the money as accessible as anything get in your pocket and Gail. It was from



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30 years ago, the first time I came to Washington, my family and I couldn't eat ice cream in a drugstore hair because we were black. Not since then I have come to Washington many times



drugstore man because we were black. Not since then I have come to Washington many times to demonstrate and to testify to different aspects of myself and my beliefs. And I see many familiar faces from those past marches here today, for lesbians and gay men have always been in the vanguard of struggles for liberation and justice in this country and within our communities. The first National Conference of third world lesbians and gay men met in Washington over the past four days, and it was an outstanding success. We had third world lesbians and gay men as delegates from over 40 states, third world lesbians and gay men from Mexico, from Canada and from England. Now, we have all come together to demonstrate our power as lesbians and gay men in behalf of our own rights. And this is the beginning of a new front, where we are saying to the world that the struggle of lesbians and gay men is a real and particular and inseparable part of the struggle of all oppressed people within this country. I am proud to raise my voice here this day as a black lesbian feminist, committed to struggle for a world where all our children can grow free from the diseases of racism, of sexism, of classism, and homophobia, for those oppressions are inseparable. That question always is what kind of a world do we want to be a part of, and affirmation and work does not stop with this march on Washington. Each of us has a responsibility to take this struggle back to her and his community translated into daily action, the National Conference of third world lesbians and gay men and this march today, were once only visions of what could be now all of us have made it our reality. Let us carry this solidarity that we are professing here today back with us into our everyday lives tomorrow and the day after and next week and next year, and let it be reflected in a renewed commitment to struggle for a future where we can all flourish for not one of us will ever be free until we are all free



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but a great gay lesbian, welcome for the greater good yay



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we have a real time shortage and I just have one thing to say and then I'm gonna get into myself I would like for the media not to do a white out on all the black people that were here today because that or any other third row people as far as that goes because that happens to us a lot I mean, we put our energy into the gay community and a lot of the white people get the focus but we don't get nothing so I just like to say that thank you i This is my message we everybody around the world but especially the people here in the United States this is where you



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I spot



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the problem well we know it's our job.



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Yo let's go



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like very likely arrive.



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Hologram comes from Jane Fonda and Tom Hayden. It says we totally support the struggle of gay men and lesbians in America to throw off the shot. Because of social and economic discrimination, the defeating of the Briggs initiative in California was an important sign that a majority of the voters, once informed are beginning to see that the gay and lesbian struggle is one that affects a huge percentage of the population, either as gay people or as the family and friends of gays. Best wishes for a powerful and effective day, Jane Fonda and Tom Hayden.



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This is a song that many of us grew up with, that was became well known by a woman who was a cultural role model for many of us. And although she was not known as a political woman, rather, as a performing artist, the concepts in her song live on forever. And I asked you to very seriously and tenderly sing this song with me.



Mike Miesch 36:17

Thank you. And that, of course, was Holly near



Ray Hill 36:22

yes, that, of course, was on an island near and the whole national crew and the National march on Washington for lesbian and gay, right. Mike woods, do you get this wonderful clients? He's in bits and pieces?



Mike Miesch 36:34

Yeah, well, the first, I guess 10 minutes was from the anniversary of the March tape done by Pacifica, Lou Chapelle, oh, my God, to me, and Greg Gordon. And then the rest was the final hours of the march that was not broadcast. And I was just going through them to see what music there was on there. Now, it's just going to put some music together. And I heard a few songs that I hadn't heard before. And some things from the March that you had aired little speeches of yours that I hadn't heard before, and just started putting it all together. One of the first things I heard was one of your lines from the first speech. Well, what are we gonna do next year? Yeah. And that made me get the thinking that the march is coming up, and that there's gonna be a lot of changes.

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Ray Hill 37:49

And while the tape was playing, we, of course, here in the studio chat back and forth, and, and we were commenting that the important thing is, is not necessarily just what's there because you are an attendee of the march by proxy, you set at these boards and twiddle doubts, while the first two hours ran. It's that you have the focus of the entire gay lesbian community toward Washington, DC, even if they couldn't go. So that what happens at that moment. And yeah, a lot of folks are having a lot of difficulty sorting out their priority, so they can see another one in 1982. But if you've got an opportunity to focus, your power and your strength on the seat of power, even though that is dispersed across the country, it's important time and Mike brings up a very fine point in that there has been a march call for and we have a responsibility to support that someone does and no such organization exists in Houston at this time. And so we need to give that careful consideration over and above that. I think this piece is indicative of Mike's media style. It has all of the ethos that one could ever hope to imagine that is the true sign of romantic and one works with Wilde 'n' Stein, one runs across a prolifera of romantics, Mike of which has rolled modelled the pack for a while. And that's good because there's a lot of pathos in our lives. And if you had not heard previously next week is Mike's segue show. And I would like to call your attention that some of that segue is done in a piece of demonstration type that Mike chose to put together for tonight's show. Mike sensitivity in this program has helped us all as we grow and starting a week ahead of time I want to be sure and invite you next week to listen into Wilde 'n' Stein because Mike deserves a rapt attention. As he leaves there's even and not yet to be printed interview of his views around KPI Have tea that will show up in next month's program guide. And so that'll give you an excuse for those of you who have not yet done so to subscribe by calling 526 4000 At your convenience, so you'll be sure to get that wonderful piece of copy. If anyone knows what's going on in KPFT, it has been the person that has been married to the station has literally lived in it for raw a couple of years or better. And that's our mic and at least big holds and radio station. And next week more about that. But you did put together fine tape and congratulations. Thank you. Are you going to submit it program service?

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Mike Miesch 40:35

Well, I think they can do, you know, make their own try?

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Ray Hill 40:41

Yeah, well, I'm sure they will. But then of course, it doesn't have hurt to have yours, at least in the archives. It's true. I agree. So those of you billing up to your radio next week is an important program. Christmas Eve show is the first show with Wilde 'N' Stein's heir apparent producer becoming that. And that's me and I have asked him not to put together a program, analyzing some of the secular and religious perspectives on Christmas itself. So Christmas Eve will be here. Oh, good. We're getting kicked back. Right kids can come back and do the whole thing. We will not be live promoting the Christmas Eve service from Palmer church this year. We have done that in the past, it is just logistically very difficult for the station at the time because of oh, we need seven microphones and a full mixing kit and a bunch of other things that we really don't have access to. And our engineering staff is not really up for that this year.

So we're going to be doing in house mix and can't can more than handle two hours of that. There's some chat about a station comedy special on New Year's Eve. So we may not be back that week. But I'd like to start things off, right. Anyway. So probably the first program where we're going to get down and you and I are going to analyze where we are. And given the talents we have available to us. Where does the program go from here? And we'll do that beginning of the new year. So the first one Stein program in the new year, kind of put it on your calendar. So let's get together and plan the future kind of show and we'll have lots of open telephone and talk about Wilde 'N' Stein and what it means to us and where we want what we want to do with it.

 Mike Miesch 42:31


Well, right now we have plenty of time to open up the phones to any questions Sure. But while you're thinking about calling five to six 4000 We'll hear another song by Holly near

 43:00

you inspired

 Mike Miesch 43:09


we're gonna go right on into the next one damn reports and we're back once again to songs with Holly near you've got me line and damn the poet's we're still open to taking call us at five to six 4000 Ray we'll take on all callers

 Ray Hill 43:43

if you got any cops running loose after that I can pick on or any extraneous added again any extraneous rednecks let's go ahead and warm up it's cold wintertime and get a good argument going so some of you you Honkies out there give us a call at 526 4000 and we will play with one another on the air as we

 Mike Miesch 44:04

well

 Ray Hill 44:07

that isn't productive enough I don't think we'll get any call

 Mike Miesch 44:12

well for right now we'll go back to Holly near with two more songs. You can know all I am and

sister woman cyst



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you can know



Mike Miesch 44:31

Holly near while we had one person call up because he is caught up think that maybe he was calling long distance dest a question of right Hill and playing with that. And so once we get it on hold or we'll get it back on and tense or persons question I'll be trying Have a legend around first heading towards Tennessee weather group of people I'll be living with for a while. And as time goes on, there'll be a friend coming up to Tennessee who will give me arrived San Francisco right way and get to do a few things for maybe fruit punch and work with Robins head communications, and stopping them places along the way. And I will be playing his request next week. Well, I played him today, but I'll be playing them next week. But anyway, we got a call. KPFT are on the air.



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Yeah, so my question I don't know, if it fits in with anything you're talking about. But I've noticed that a lot of gay organizations use the lambda symbol. I've wondered what it means.



Ray Hill 46:06

The lambda was the symbol actually, for the troops that protected the king in Alexander the Great's era, okay. And it was specifically the lowercase Greek letter L. And it was specifically displayed in banners. And the symbolism there was that they were a service group. And the companions were made up of companions, pairs of homosexual lovers. And so that's what that's what its history is, and it entered, the gay movement is kind of a militant symbol, but it's softened quickly because of its own history. Thank you, thank you very much, and have a nice evening. So we're just a whole Encyclopedia of information around here, if you wish to call in and ask questions of that nature, we like to talk about those sorts of things. Because, matter of fact, I'm kind of playing with the idea of doing a series of history lectures, and recording them and maybe using them to two groups of people and using them for broadcast purposes. Because we really don't take time out in the cut and thrust of doing radio program every week and trying to look after the cultural, political and the social interests of this community to sit down and teach. But if we did that on the forum to not bring that back and use it as broadcast material, yes. Be thinking about some of that. And Mike just kind of hastily gave you a quick itinerary. And I'm sitting here reading between the lines of all of that. Yeah, and, and you're not even getting any of the good stuff. What Nike is talking about is a metamorphosis kind of experience where he joins some of the beautiful people that we met at the ferry gathering in goes to a very sacred place amongst that body of folk in Tennessee, where there is a communal living space for raw for ferrets. And what he's talking about going to San Francisco and working with I MRU. Their fruit punch. Well, Berkeley in the Berkeley area fruit punch is a

program that is frequented by some of the artistic and literary greats of the gay world and has already working there some other fine journalists that might mix in quite well with I'm sure working with Dave Lembo, which is

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Mike Miesch 48:40

Yeah, and another one of the key members of the group is Fred Brungard that we met in New Mexico who's got another alias sister missionary position,

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Ray Hill 48:52

and a ferry for sure. And they find broadcaster to boot and there's there's a lot of that going on in the country. And he's he's their jam up on Ravenshead where the real production work really happens and the vine artistic and analytical elements for this community's evolution into wholeness is done there. That's a pulse beat, if you would have gay live. So while Mike will be touring the West Coast, and with some exciting people, I think one of the joyous spots of fairy gathering was meeting our first other fairy on the streets who turned out to be a fascinating creature in which might became especially fun, and he's kind of mentoring Mike through this, this development of it. And I feel real good about that. I regret for a lot of reasons, many related to pursue Given the nature of the animal and the balance of humaneness at the radio station, and the very fine job that Mike has done with classical music, and the exceptionally fine job he's done with Wilde 'N' Stein going to miss Mike. But since I was close to Mike, when that development took place, I know where he's going. And I know he is looking forward to getting there. So it makes the adios somewhat more comfortable. But, Mike, you have demonstrated, as in tonight's tape, I sensitivity that few gay broadcasters have. And I hope you can maintain that spirit and encourage it to become the norm for the industry. And we are in industry, we are now fine journalists, print media and broadcast media, in various segments of the country doing very important work to a people who deserve it.

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Mike Miesch 51:03

Well, one thing that I always run on rather than, I guess, intellect, and just the technical expertise was my life is run more by my heart. And it's funny when I think about my evolving or KPFT, well, sort of technically was at first, I had a very good teacher to teach me the controls. And once she left, I had everybody and then I had to get into my own space and teach myself. So, you know, I had to go away from all these terms and things and just figure out the way for me to work.

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Ray Hill 51:55

Oh, yeah, myself, you had difficulty translating all of that data into things, you know, I can see that right. And I can see that there might be conflict sensitivity, but you do a fine job of it. As a matter of fact, you're around one of the most orchestrated operators around here at least you have a rhythm in your use of the board where a lot of people like me or joke around and hit the wrong button a lot.

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Mike Miesch 52:23

Next, we're gonna go back to some more music. And as you can well imagine this being my next last show, I had been doing a lot of thinking about the music for those two shows, because music is a very strong force in my life. And I have a great love for those last few gay artists that I do percent. And that right now we have a chance to play some of the favorites as well as some of the new people exciting people like Chris Tanner and Charlie Murphy. But right now we're going to go back to one of the old reliables. I'm Steven Grossman caravan tonight and out.

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Ray Hill 53:29

Yeah. Good old standard stuff tonight. If you want to flashback to the early days of your development and the dreams that you have about that, gypsies always joven to view and dealing with. It's alright to be many times in many different ways before being able to say gay, it's pretty standard stuff. I talk to folks like that every day.

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Mike Miesch 53:55

And as we said earlier, if you want to call in we're at five to six or 1000. It's been a quiet week for phone calls and all the talk shows right?

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Ray Hill 54:05

Well, it's getting onto the holiday season and so much is going on on daytime am talk show these days that they're already worn out of talk shows by the evening time comes and I can understand some of that. And folks, holiday season is affects folks in different ways. And there's a lot of things going on right now. Folks, some folks are getting close to coming home from college and and there's going to be a lot of activity of family nature and audiences over the next couple of weeks. We're going to be different.

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Mike Miesch 54:38

I'm gonna ask you a question right now. Will it be next week or week after next at all? You'll be having a special announcement. Oh, yeah.

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Ray Hill 54:48

There's a big press conference coming up. And I'm not at liberty to talk about it on the air but I will be holding press conference in announcing another develop Man in a good many recent developments in the gay political arena in Houston. I think the announcement of the appeal to the Supreme Court of Gary monogamous case is something of important to us all. If that appeal is successful that would establish for sure and once and for all the issue of Kenya far queers nationally, because that's what the Supreme Court is doing. And they're dealing with

substantive issues. And I think that that is worthy of the effort. And there's other things going on, because of course, the recent election in Houston was a nice, nice piece of cheese in there things else happening. I'm speaking tomorrow at a Socialist Workers Party gathering tomorrow evening, Friday evening, I'll be speaking at Socialist Workers Party militant forum in the downtown Holiday Inn, understand that. Gertrude Barnstone some other folk who have been dealing with police and law enforcement problems in Houston are also speaking. So those of you interested in law enforcement and a critical analysis thereof might put that on your calendar. There is no admission you can get in for sure militant forum and that is downtown Holiday Inn on Calhoun Street, I believe. But there are a lot of things going on in the community right now. And last night, I went to the Montrose singers Christmas concert, Patrick and I went in, and hobbled in and got in the back pew and watch to watch the very fine performance mess and people who really take the music seriously. The chorus who always does a fine job and last night's program was a clap very, very traditional and music that is not sung very often around Christmas time. And they did a fine job of that, or to be congratulated on on a fine Christmas concert this year. And it dealt with Old English and old German and some Latin numbers. And they did Benjamin Britten's Christmas peace, celebration of caring ceremony, ceremony of care. And then they proposed a new him for Christmas. God Bless the Child, which is certainly fits in with some of the more political attitudes about that time of the year. And then they wrapped up with a fine Irish piece that would harken back to hearts and candles and things. And on and all it was a wonderful concert. I'm sure there's a tape of it. I'm sure you'll be hearing some of the tape of it on the show and future plans. And tomorrow night. Yeah. Concert. And that's a very kind of the same thing. We've got a string of Christmas concerts going on here. And that is at bearing Methodist Church, which is Mulberry, Hawthorne, Hawthorne, and that. That's just just south of Westheimer in about the 14 1500 block.

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Mike Miesch 58:10

And if they'd like more information on that concert, they can call Wilde 'n' Stein Books.

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Ray Hill 58:16

One thing books and telephone number at Wilde 'n' Stein Books for that and a plethora of other information is 526-529-7014. Right, right.

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Mike Miesch 58:29

Oh, and that reminds me when we're talking about telephone numbers, the gay switchboard of a switchboard. I will announce their number, once again and say on the page, I wrote it down.

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Ray Hill 58:45

And that I was over giving those folks a chat about what happens when you get arrested. We'll be talking about that a lot in the near future.

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Mike Miesch 58:54



MIKE MIESCH 59:14  
And it's 92699269269926.

R Ray Hill 59:04  
Now that follows it'll ring a bell enough. And

M Mike Miesch 59:08  
they'll be beginning December 14. This is a target date for and I believe that the first sets Monday through Friday, six to 11 in the evening. And otherwise say hopefully, we'll have an answering machine of some sort. And that's something that they're looking for. And if you have an answering machine you can give the gay switchboard they could use it very much. Right now I don't have telephone number contact person but if you call tomorrow morning, I can answer that question for you.

R Ray Hill 59:51  
Yeah, I went out there was like 1516 folk gathered in intensive training had been there two hours before I got there and I held them there another two hours. They were Real eager to learn things and get involved and to have some good folks. There's some folks with some variants on crisis hotline. There's some folks who have experience in gay helplines in other cities that are combining their efforts to make this real good. And it's going going about it and as professional and sophisticated away as one might imagine, and I'm really pleased that Houston was one of the last cities to really get their own autonomous line, but we're going about it with such seriousness that it's impressive, because we have learned from the mistakes that everybody else has made.

M Mike Miesch 1:00:30  
Yes, that's true. And Bob and Rick, really know their stuff. I surprised when meeting Rick and after talking to him on the show that he had done nine years, and well, I'm talking about it as prison time. But you're very well could be but nine years of experience running a gay switchboard. And that can be pretty heavy sometimes. And so I'm looking for I know what one year did to me.

R Ray Hill 1:01:03  
Yes, that can be that's pretty heavy duty stuff, right. And Carol phenom is all tied up in the gang. And so it looks like it's going to make it and I think that it deserves your attention and support as that develops a lot of things going on just in all different kinds of organizations, I was surprised to, to get a report on the size of the data professionals. Those folks are rather massive, I thought that I did not know that there were that many people involved in data professional organizations, within this community. But there are a lot of data professionals in this community and they band together and swap and trade information about their

professional field for community service purposes and for professional service purposes. And that sounds really good. There's different kinds of organizations. I think it is significant that Montrose singer sang on Rice University campus, yeah, because that had been an area that had not really had much access to the gay community. I know that a couple of years ago, when I was doing a lecture series during Gay Pride Week, I did a history lecture in red Rice University. And the effects of that was real positive. But other than some kind of academic related event, that campus has not been open to our access as perhaps other campuses have been. And that was significant that that barrier is yet to be there.

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Mike Miesch 1:02:40

That's like the similar action and San Francisco where some church of the Franciscan Order had denied them. The church facilities to do a concert that was already pub a lot popular, publicized, publicize, alright, took a little while. But and, you know, all the work on the concert, and all was done and canceled at the last moment. And, of course, the chorus had suffered some damage from that financially and they were rewarded. Well, not the availability of doing the concert at that church that they did get damages.

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Ray Hill 1:03:33

And that kind of litigation is happening. I think it's going to be a good year for litigation. On issues, relevant gay rights, I see some coming, you're having some progress in the Baker case, 2106 is going to be moving up the ranks, hopefully very rapidly. And I think that this would be a good year for them to resolve the Ben addingham case once and for all. Because it's about time that that guy saw that's being dragged on, without full consideration, perhaps too long. But it is an important element that that the decision when handed down affects the whole nation. I think that that's a reasonable expectation of a lawsuit. It's supposed to be that important. There are a couple of military suits that are going on that allow Apple to ripen this year. And there's also growing in this country and awareness of folks in other countries. I think we're going to be hearing a lot of that. Yes, that's true. In the coming year. I think that the Mexican gay movement is beginning to shape up I know that the the interest in the Canadian gay movement is very strong.

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Mike Miesch 1:04:43

Well, I think both of them are starting to come together with people I've met from both Canada and Mexico. friend of ours, Shawn, from Canada is keeping a very close eye on that and corresponds with that US gay publications to keep them informed on what's going on in Canada in regards to just out and out harassment. And another friend, also named John, who's from Berkeley is, is very interested in Mexico who writes for gay community news, who has done much research on Regan cutbacks and how it affected different gay centers in California as well as the Mexican gay movement.

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Ray Hill 1:05:33

And I'm getting tired of not talking about what's happening to gay men and lesbians and Iran. I'm gravely concerned are Saudi Arabia or Kuwait given lesbians in that society? Indeed, it's a

I'm gravely concerned are Saudi Arabia, or Kuwait, given lesbians in that society. Indeed, it's a real tragedy, because there's a lot of homosexual activity in those societies Great. El Salvador as well. And the El Salvador situation is a grave situation where, where people are being imprisoned and indeed killed for being gay. And I think that that Houston is a very international city, there are people in this city from all over the world, they're people that come to the city and return to all over the world. And I think it is important thing for not just us, but the rest of the American gay movement to realize that there's a world of people out there, some of whom are dying. And that deserves our attention. And I think I perceive that in the voices of some of the people that I speak to across the nation, talk to Lincoln, Nebraska this morning, do you remember the guy that gave that ridiculous testimony and the Texas a&m case or psychologist, psychologist, just awful, he came down and said, under oath that from his research of homosexuals, if they would let GSO organized on Texas a&m campus, they would be having sex openly in their meetings. And what that true would fluff up a ground quick, I think,

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Mike Miesch 1:07:06

well, I thought, well, I don't know if all the members would join in. I mean, it's a very, they had a very mixed group, male and female. But at any rate,

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Ray Hill 1:07:14

an administrative aide of a state senator in Lincoln, Nebraska, called me today, and they are seeking that testimony, because they're going after that man's license to practice as a therapist in the state of Nebraska, and without those license, then you'd have to go elsewhere to get a license, and you'd be quiet for a while. We're just not letting them get away with that stuff anymore, or stay on the trail, trace them all over the country and attack on at home.

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Mike Miesch 1:07:45

This is a good place for you to tell about a group that you're a part of that has started odd, right?

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Ray Hill 1:07:52

That's right. We haven't done formal announcements yet, but it's no secret. A group of people have come together and organized, kind of at the encouragement of gay political caucuses board of directors, a committee to look into what can be done about the stuff that happened in the election campaign, all of that. Melo Graham, full page ad in the post business. And we met, folks, it turned up where Rob barber Chicago row who was political action coordinator for gay Political Caucus campaign this year and still is in that position. And Norman Guttman, who is the chair of the board of gay Political Caucus, and myself, and we got word of Linda Lovell, who used to do a radio program and lesbian radio program on this radio station some years ago. And Linda is working with with that committee as part of that committee, and we decided to call ourselves the anti defamation committee, and look into legal and other appropriate responses for queerbaiting and future. And, of course, we have lots to do right now, because we just got through that campaign. The second meeting in January of a Political Caucus, has been designated by its education coordinator, to be a special meeting on the campaign and it's

dirty tricks. And the committee needs certain things from you. If you received a campaign mailing, that you felt was homophobic in nature, if you could get it all back together in the envelope and bring it to the meeting of gay Political Caucus or drop it off at gay political caucuses, headquarters telephone number for gay Political Caucus is five to one 1000. And if you could, if you got a mailing, from any of the candidates in the campaign that you felt was inflammatory on the issue of being gay, we would appreciate it if you would bring that mailing intact so that we can have some hard evidence and possible litigation or other things. And I'm really excited to committees, man. Yeah, that is what they're supposed to be right now.

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Mike Miesch 1:10:01

All right, we have come to the end of another Wilde 'N' Stein and next week, chorus, regular features. News, Uncle rd neighborhood announcements and stuff will be there. Have my own sound collage sore that I did this evening for myself and some high points and shows some music and other comments that are important to me at the moment. And then I'll be doing edited down version of the concert with Chris Tanner and Charlie Murphy. That will be 30 minutes long. And then we have just 30 minutes to chat and play music. And that's next week on Wilde 'N' Stein 10 to midnight every Thursday evening. And we're here because we care

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