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SPEAKERS

Judy Reeves



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90.1 KPFT 90.1 Pacifica, radio and Euston. Alright, so coming to the closing minutes of solo groups, we'll be back next week at 9pm Tim carpenter crew coming down with after hours again, if you want to catch this kind of stuff, and come out to the social on most Thursday nights, we're not going to do it next Thursday, but we'll be back there on the 10th of March, and then every Thursday, except the third Thursday of the month. So yeah, that's gonna be called 33 point 45. You can figure that one out if you want. You can also refer to the calendar at solar groups.com second and fourth, Tuesday of every month, I'm at Onion Creek, which is in a 3000 block of white oak, and of course, back here on Saturday nights. I hope you enjoyed the mix, and I'll see on the flip side of



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Warning, the following program contains subject matter that portrays gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people as first class citizens deserving of an equal share of the American dream. Topics like this are known to piss off televangelists. backwater preachers. Some talk show host blue haired biddies, several members of Congress and other socially unacceptable outcasts like radical right wing nut jobs listener discretion is strongly advised.



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You have tuned into after hours queer radio with attitude a continuing tradition here on KPFT 90.1 FM. The crew of after hours is ready to bring the news interviews, discussions and music here to the gay lesbian, bisexual transgender community and our allies. We are a diverse group here but we all have one thing in common we are out of the closet and urge everyone to come out of his or her closet as well. That means recognizing who you are standing up for yourself and your rights and being proud of who you are. We understand that this might not be possible due to a job or friend of mine but remember, we are here especially for you. So kick back and relax and get ready for this week's edition of after hours.



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Hello, Houston, Galveston and the world. This is the Saturday February 26 edition of after hours queer radio with attitude. Happy Oscar Eve has been prepared for the high holy day of queered. I'm Chris Ayers, Xavi, co executive producer this evening along with Jimmy



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Carper. I'll be the other one as much as I can talk.



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A Yes yes, yes,



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it's been a laryngitis week even



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fondling My Little Pony because you're a little feeling a little hoarse



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There you go.



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I had to go there yes yes. Yes, it's we've got one of them others JAM PACKED weeks when things are looking for. We've got coming up here starting off with theater suburbia and I believe a mega watt has already done a caring Omega followed up by hatch then mistress Max rules pops in is with this week she has a new wheeling victim Oh my to play within the roundtable



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where Mr. smacks will be coming up to two o'clock. Two o'clock



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to two ish. Yeah, we're kind of dragging and then the roundtable bring it up. Thanks. Finally got a couple of other things of, you know, finally the US military realizes Don't Ask Don't Tell is

costing him money.



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Yeah, smart. He's been working all week on this stuff. And a little bit of a



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Sunday night being coming queer TV last week. And then, you know, we got the Oscars tomorrow. And then yeah, last week, you had the Simpsons and then Desperate Housewives.



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Just just all over the place. Oh, yes.



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Oh, let's get into it was the some of the community events? Yes.



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Speaking of Oscars, there's Oscar party going on at the River Oaks Theatre on Oscar night. And that is Usually a packed ticket sold out event. So, come early if you want to participate in all the madness and fun. There'll be people in costume and giveaways and all kinds of fun stuff going on.



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And that's benefiting the Houston gay lesbian Film Festival. Yes,



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it is. Yes, it is. And don't forget Monday, Monday, Monday, Monday, queer voices. What am I do take your mic, I'll take my mic up because I don't have my usual loud voice anymore. So I have to put the volume up. Okay. It's queer voices. It's time for the queer music heritage JD Doyle's one hour music segment. Every fourth Monday, he's got two fun interviews with the fabulous dyke tones, a good time Oh, rock and roll lesbian band. And by the way, they're still at it. I did not know that I thought they'd broke up long ago. The second feature is Eric Lane Barnes a mover shaker in the GLBT chorus world. So there's gonna be lots of good stuff. incredible amounts of music from the dark tones and and, of course, Eric Lane Barnes also, what else we got going Chris



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PFLAG the march 6, PFLAG meeting will be of interest to members of the GLBT community and straight parents and friends as well. It'll be a panel of parents were members of the Houston gay lesbian parents group. Different panel members acquire their children in different ways. It will be on Sunday, Sunday,



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Sunday, Sunday. Just doesn't have the quote. The



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melody is gonna call about the big faggy voicemails Yeah, wow. On March 6,



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there's a little little fact that's attached to it.



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From two to 4pm at St. Paul's United Methodist Church. So we have the Jones building at 5501. South Main at bins. For more information, the PFLAG phone number is 71346 P flag. Or check him out on the World Wide Web at PFLAG Houston dot O R G.



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Okay. Do we have any information on the Mr. Prime choice contest? I know that's coming up soon. And there's a couple of people that I know who were running.



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Yeah, it's an April. Yes. And this is



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what I'm supposed to be doing here. We're supposed to be having a little bed music here.



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Mr. Prime choice to Texas. 2005 2006 will be held at the ripcord. Yes, on April 9. If you're interested and you are a man 40 years of age and up and would like to run for the title. Send an

interested and you are a man 40 years of age and up and we'd like to run for the title. Send an email to MPC T x at Houston dot O R r.com. and get more information there.



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And what day is that? April 9. Okay, yeah. In between now and April 9, we'll be having at least two of the contestants. Mr. Greg, Gregory Misaki. Ian, who's running for Mr. Pro choice and Mr. Lor van Valkenburg.



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And I'll see you next weekend with March. Let's begin the Emperor's Jubilee.



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That's coming out that means that's the Emperor's birthday. And he gets to do all kinds of fun stuff.



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Well on Saturday March 5 At eight ish All right, EJ is will be the ich annual turnabout show



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Oh my that's that's always sick where the girls



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or boys and the boys or girls are so to speak. There'll be a special first time drag guest they'll hold a special hair cutting and show me a special hair cutting and shaving event for those who want to get up close. Then the following day on Sunday, Sunday,



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Sunday, Sunday, March 6, I



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ch o ran out with bartending DJs and burgers gonna



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yes those are always good. Like two three bucks and home cooked burger. I mean, not preformed they they do in themselves



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and the big kickoff that is on Friday, March 4 ic o h is participating in a charity benefit day at AstroWorld. Yes



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indeedy, for 20 bucks 20 bucks



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and five bucks that goes to the ice H rain three benefiting AIDS Foundation, Houston's camp hope Yes. The general admission normally is 42 bucks to get in but it's only 20 bucks for here. And you need to contact Sean Carter to get those and that's Sean Carter at SBC global.ne T.



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We'll be talking about that. As the time comes up, well, that's



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next week.



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Oh, Oh really? Yeah, that's failover And I realized it was so soon yeah, that's March. Oh, time flies when you're old. Yeah. Anyway, let's save the rest for later and go to theater suburbia here in the studio. I've got Judy Reeves. Hello Judy. Hello




Judy Reeves 10:17


there How you doing? Better than you are? Yes




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you are.


 Judy Reeves 10:21
I can see you I just can't hear


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us too long.


 Judy Reeves 10:25
Now you want Hi Chris I can hear and


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maybe the air here but you can't see him. Okay. We got what's going on? Well,

 Judy Reeves 10:33
we have theater suburbia. We have the cast and the the directors co directors of the show the movie game. hilariously funny, I've only it's had three runs. Now we're actually two runs in a preview. And I've only seen it three times. Oh, that tells you something right there. I'm sure. You'll have to do better. Yes, I'll have to do better. My attendance is going to improve. But we have co-directors. Karen right. And Alvin Moriarty here.

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Actually even going to talk tonight.

 Judy Reeves 11:09
It's amazing how someone can work in a theater seven days a week for umpteen years. And never speak in front of a microphone.

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Yeah. Well see, I can't get up on a stage and talk. So yeah, well,

 Judy Reeves 11:20
hey, sometimes it goes away. But since Alvin won't talk well, like Karen talked about, okay, good. Go girl. Well, I



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wasn't prepared for this. But the show is fun. It's a romantic comedy. It's a good time. Great date. Evening. So you know, come on, bring people out. It is has the basic premise of our lead character is feeling like he's in a rut, and he goes to see a cookie therapist. And then the therapist decides that perhaps he needs to try to live a movie. So he gets a kooky director as well. And the hilarity ensues from there, so it's a good time. It's a laugh riot, so everybody should come out and see it



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almost sounds like the premise was a producer's you know what, get get all these kooky people together to put on a show. That's



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right. Toss them together and have a good time.



Judy Reeves 12:13

Oh, as long as you're talking about the the therapist, we might as well introduce him and let him say, sounds great. That could work. Yes, that would be you over there in the corner. Hello. Give us your name. My name is Revis bell. And you're the therapist your doctor who's on Dr. Seuss. Like news, this is your first thing.



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My first play I came in and read for it and was really surprised when I got a call from Karen so she



Judy Reeves 12:39

your first play ever? Oh, my goodness. Oh, guys, you really need to come see this. There's up and coming talent. There's hope for me. We're gonna skip over y'all for just a minute and go to cure.





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Okay, okay. What would you like to know? Well, your name and how to who we





Judy Reeves 12:56


 Judy Reeves 12:56
weren't playing maybe.


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I'm Carolyn Montgomery and I play Florence the mother of our star character who's obviously had some part in making him the way he is


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the part not me the parents.


 Judy Reeves 13:15
We won't go there either. Who's behind me here? Lauren. Lauren spec here. Sweet girl.


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And what part do you play?

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I play Francine. I am the protagonist sister.

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What kind of character are you?

 Judy Reeves 13:32
What kind of character are you? I am a

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frumpy, repressed librarian.

 Judy Reeves 13:38
That's how the that's how the therapist sees know how the producer sees you record not not us in here with her. With me the two projects Yes, your next well



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just like to take this opportunity to



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your name. My name is David swig This is the first stage production that I've ever done. I saw and it was Glenn. Yeah. Everyone out there that it's certainly a great show and a great cast. The part that I have is I play the fiance of our main characters love interest. So she pretty much stabs me in the back and leaves me doesn't want anything to do with me. But I can't imagine it's still a fun time and I enjoy it anyway. I am the character that gets water dumped on him and Cool Whip dumped on me so it's a great time to beat my character because I get to make a mess all over myself. Which is really funny. Really



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you guys produce those kinds of



Judy Reeves 14:48

Chris and as much as I love Liam he's much prettier than glam to watch on Stan. Yeah. Oh, yeah. Just wanted to mention that.



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Now let's go and see this show realized that these guys don't have any idea what the blog is about.



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laughs does do you choose a member of the audience to come look the cool whip off?



Judy Reeves 15:06

Different show? Altogether.



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That's a different show. That's



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a different theme.



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My wife might not be real good with that, unless she's the one doing okay, which you know, we can probably work that out.



Judy Reeves 15:21

So what the heck,



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we could work together



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this whole place. Names deindex, I played Jack, the lead character of the show with poor pathetic messed up individual whose life is interrupted. Get surrounded by all the other wacky goofy characters. And so I get the opportunity to work with everybody here on stage. So it's been a really fun, good experience. And we've been getting lots of good feedback. So hope we get big audiences for the next four weekends. Good.



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We hope so too.



Judy Reeves 15:59

Hi, honey. You didn't talk to us? Sure. Okay.



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I'm Becky Seabrook. I play Maggie the love interest in the play. And I'm a real



Judy Reeves 16:12

person you slimy before, but I've never seen you slimy before. I've cast you before I've ever seen you really play slime girl. That's on she



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was she gives me that slimy she wears banana.



Judy Reeves 16:28

Flat and I'm weak. She's



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just misunderstood. Oh, no,



Judy Reeves 16:33

honey, I understand that character. Perfect. Let's go to Jean quick.



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Okay. maching Griesbach I'm play Frank who is the father of Jack's lead. Now what I can say is my characters that you find out that Father Knows Best.



Judy Reeves 16:50

Now I know all your lines already. How much is this gonna cost me?



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It's half of them.



Judy Reeves 16:59

Anyway, it's a fun cast. Okay. We're missing two members. Yes, yes. Jennifer Farley and Oliver Blanco couldn't be here this he but they're, you know, going to be just as loud as everybody else once we get them out there as they actually do have to come see it's hilarious. Years wacko. Is everybody. Yeah, there's Wacka was the directors.



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That was out loud. And



Judy Reeves 17:23

I believe you had a short little stand here. You could win the cast through here so that the audience gets an idea of what's going on?



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Absolutely. Absolutely. First, let me apologize. I'm the co director. I'm standing in front of our actresses so if you're thinking to yourself, Who is this Sam character and why she horrible? Don't worry. I'm not actually the person who plays the part. What we're going to be doing first for you is a family seen it and well, I guess that's really all the intro that you need. Yeah, we're gonna get to meet the family here and find out sort of the premise of what's happening in the show. So let's go ahead and get started.



Judy Reeves 18:03

Why don't we have a glitch? I don't know. They didn't give me a cat. Give me a script who starts me? Okay.



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Oh, I love this song. Francine turn this song up, and then check and see if we have any of those pitless ollars leftover from Uncle Willards intervention, Honey, what's all this? Jackie's coming home so



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he's been coming home every day for the past 30 years. Today's the day the plastic comes off the sofa. Are those nuts unsalted?



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yes to both. Listen, Frank. Jackie just called and said he had good news. He



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got a job.



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I don't know Frank. He didn't say. But what else could it be? I mean, he's just been moping around this place for the past 30 years. And now suddenly, he calls and says he's got good news. What else could it be?



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What are you doing?



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I'm dancing. Frank. You remember dancing, don't you? Come on, get up and dance with me, Frank. Jack's finally gonna be moving out. We'll have the house of ourselves again. Come on dance with me. No, come on. This is great news. We should be celebrating. We don't



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even know what the good news is. For all we know he could have won a jello eating contest. Do we have any nuts with salt?



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You're not allowed. I



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can't find the pitless hours. I think I remember aunt Helen Stephen what was left as in her purse after the intervention. Oh, she would



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never do anything like that.



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Please. The woman wants stuffed and entire roast turkey donor blows and tried to pass it off as breast augmentation. The grease stains gave her away. She claimed it was postpartum lactation from Ned's birth.



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How do you know it wasn't the rose Turkey was



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for Ned's Bar Mitzvah. The woman lactase for 13 years. Come on.



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How long is this family meeting supposed to take?



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It'll take as long as it takes.



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Do you have other plans for tonight Francie. Yes, a date.



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Yeah, mom a date with Arthur Conan Doyle Edward Dixon and Agatha Christie



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a double date. You need some money.



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I'm re alphabetizing the mysteries mother.



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That doesn't seem like such a fun date. Is that what you're wearing? Because I really think that with a little makeup and maybe a push up bra, it'd be such a pretty girl sick. Jackie, honey.



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Thank God, you're here.



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You took the plastic off the couch. I



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mean, it's such a special occasion. Right? Samantha? You like



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a man?



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Frank be nice. Oh, come



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on. We're all thinking that it's sort of



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an ongoing homage to Diane Keaton. I thought I'd try something different.



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Look at that. You did? Congratulations. And speaking of congratulations, Jackie. Don't you have something you want to tell us?



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Yes. Why don't you all have a seat?



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I'm already sitting. Well, good



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dad. You just stay there. Okay, so family. Guess what I did today?



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You got a job. No. Plastic goes back on.



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Your thought I got a job. No,



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no, no, of course not. I was just making a little joke. I told your father I said, Wouldn't it be funny if I took the plastic off the silver and put out candy and nut unsalted nuts. And when Jack gets home with his good news, I pretend that I think the good news is that he got a job. Wouldn't it be funny? Be funny. Didn't I say? Frank? So now that we've all had a good laugh What is your good news? Jackie?



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I'm in therapy.



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Oh my god. Oh, Jackie.



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You're gay?



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No, not gay mother. What kind of world do we live in? Where it's good news to be in therapy. And I haven't even told



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you the best part yet.



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You're changing your name to Jacqueline. Samantha. Are



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you in therapy? No. Mr. Goldberg?



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Oh, honey, I think Jacqueline is a precious name. Oh, I can still call you Jackie.



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Mom, listen to me. I'm not gay. And I really think Dr. Seuss can help me. So here's what I need from you guys. Other



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than shelter and food. There's something more Yes, but this



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is going to be fun, I think and it'll help me at the same time. For the next week or so whenever you're around me, we're all going to pretend to be in a movie. See, I told Dr. Seuss about how I like to go to the movies every day. And he thought that was kind of weird. He thought that what I was really trying to do by going to the movies all the time was live a movie in a movie, which I guess I want to do. I mean, who doesn't? Right? I don't? Well, you're the exception, Francine.



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I'd rather read. Okay. I don't know if you're aware of this. But most books that are made into movies suck. Thank you for printing. The horse whisperer sucks.



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Jackie honey. I don't want the entire country to be able to see our personal lives on screen at a theater near them. Well,



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they won't. We're not making an actual movie. We're just pretending that we're characters in the movies. See, I'm the leading man and Sam's going to play my love interest. Okay,



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that was our first scene. We didn't you know, want to give away too much but that's the basic premise of the play. So actually on



Judy Reeves 23:17

Preview Night y'all didn't know this little sign here. I'm preview night I had the devil show going for me. I was watching the stage and same time I was watching Section A because Jack Adams aka Jackie Thorne. Watching all of this just incredulous look on her face. Jack Adams. Jack was here joking there. But he wasn't real sure where it was going when Carolyn? Oh, you're gay? Oh, sure. Jackie, you can change. Actually Jack love the show. He absolutely loved it. And I was so glad to have him come to me. And it was hilarious. Funny. So I'm sorry.



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No problem. That was a great story. The next scene that we're going to be doing is when Jack meets his new love interests. Maggie, so let's go ahead and get started. Guys. It's the one that starts with page 35.



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All right, I'll take new releases. You take the comedies grab any romantic comedy you can find and maybe back here at 2100 hours. I'm not doing this. Come on. And break. Break



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it. You make a cute couple what? You and your husband you you make a cute couple. Jack. Jack something.



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No, it's just me, Jack. Oh, you're



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not? Oh, no,



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we're not. We're friends. Oh,



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I thought men and women couldn't be friends. Yeah, that's right. Who



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said that? Oh, it's



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just a line from a movie. So let's see. Yeah.



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When Harry Met Sally, you've seen it. I love romantic comedies. Me



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too. Although I always get a little depressed when they're over because well, I don't know. I guess they make real life seem A little too



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real. Yeah, I know.



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I mean, have you ever met a guy like because in romantic comedies? Yeah. Really?



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Yeah. But that's only if you count deliverance as a romantic comedy. I'm Maggie, Sam. Samantha,



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nice to meet you. Has anyone ever told you that you look like a man?



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Diane Keaton, because I get both up. I was going



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to say Diane Keaton.



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So what are you renting?



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Oh, I'm not sure. I mean, it's not really up to me. My fiance Paul, he usually does the renting westerns, worse documentary. He's a associate professor of history at NYU. His idea of fun is combining work and pleasure. I see. Don't get me wrong. I love him dearly. I'm just not sure how many more documentaries on the role of Spark is fine. The Second World War I can take.



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Don't knock it. It's important to honor our vegetable allies.



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Here he comes. Wonder what it'll be tonight? The Wasteland in herbs.



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Can you believe they have it and in German with English subtitles? Hurray.



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What? Nothing,



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Paul, this is Sam. Sam and I were just discussing nutrition in World War Two. Have



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you seen Vitamin C is for courage.



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I can't say that. I

I can't say that.



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have one battalions fight against Germany and scurvy. It's excellent.



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Well, I'd say riveting, but what do I know? You're making fun of me. I'm sorry, honey, we can watch your subtitled movie.



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I think you'll find it fascinating. It covers West Germany's political upheaval after the murder of flyer



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fascinated already. Sam, I've



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got it the quintessential romantic comedy. There was nothing in new releases except a lot of JLo and Freddie Prinze Jr. So I went to the staff recommended. And you're not alone?



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No, no, I'm not. Maggie. Paul. This is my friend Jack.



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Harry. What? Harry? Harry Jackson. Hi, Harry Jackson.



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Are you sure about that? Sam seems to think your name is Jack. Yeah,



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she she calls me Jack highschool nickname me you know, Jackson just became Jack. She really hasn't let that go. Well, you let that go. I mean, hello, high school was so 12 years ago. She

really hasn't let that go. Did I already say that?



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Right. What have you got there, Harry? When Harry Met? Oh, my God.



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Isn't that funny? Yeah, we were just discussing that movie. You like it? Oh, it's one of my favorite. I



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like it because the guy's name is Harry in it. And so was my



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day. That was the second thing.



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Very good. Yeah, we're



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trying not to be too much like movie trailers for funny movies where they show all the funny parts all at once. So don't worry, there's plenty of funny lifts, I can imagine. And the last thing that we're going to do is between our therapist and Jack, it's right after he has met his new love interest, Maggie.



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I'm in love.



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That's fantastic. I couldn't be more thrilled for you. Who are you? It's Jack. Got I need to be a little more specific. I've got cucumbers on my eyes here. Jack Goldberg,



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the mortal Jack, how's



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everything going?



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I've met someone and she's beautiful and intelligent. And funny. And and I think she's interview. I mean, I couldn't really tell because we were talking about architecture, but I I think I definitely send some double entendre. So I got her number. And there's really only one little problem. But I think if we can work past that she's



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married, engaged,



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then it so close. And there's something else what I sort of may have told her I'm someone I'm not. Who



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did you sort of may have felt you were? Well, you said



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I should be the leading man. Look, I didn't do it on purpose. It just happened. I was standing there with a copy of When Harry Met Sally in my hand, and I just told her I was Harry.



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So you want to be Billy Crystal? No, I



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don't want to be Billy Crystal. I told you it just happened. It wasn't like I was making a conscious choice. So



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your subconscious wants to be Billy Crystal check. Let me ask you something. And I want you to seriously consider this question. Yes. Did you like city slickers, too, because I thought it didn't quite live up to the original. No, could you soon. All right. So you had a little accident? Big deal, right. Therapy is an ongoing process. I think it would be unreasonable for us to deny the fact that in this early stage, every few steps you'd take forward come with a nasty result of having to take a few steps back.



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Well, if that's true, how am I ever going to get anywhere?



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And to get the answer to that you have to come see



Judy Reeves 29:43

is running Fridays and Saturday nights? Yes. Through what? through March through March 26.



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Okay, so basically the month of March. Oh, there



Judy Reeves 29:56

it is. Yes. And to Sunday matinees, the 13th and the 20th And



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I know that you've got a fundraising fund, right. Well,



Judy Reeves 30:03

yeah, we have a benefit coming up. It's on the third is this coming Thursday? I think it's the third. I'm not sure. March 3.



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Thursday, we're the cast is donating their time and giving a benefit to varying Omega house. We're very proud to be doing that. We



Judy Reeves 30:20

have Fiona and Susan here this evening to talk about that just a little bit about sorry.



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Yeah, I was very, very grateful that Senator Sperber is donating an evening of their time and talent to Behringer mega Community Services. We are using this opportunity to provide a recognition and appreciation to the volunteers of Behringer omega. Last year, we had over 775 individuals give their time to our four different programs, to the dental clinic, adult day care, financial assistance and residential hospice program. And we have an awesome volunteer social committee. There's made up of varying Omega volunteers who get together and organize very informal social events to give back to all the other volunteers and so we're having this event over it. Say to suburbia, and anyone is invited, you could be a friend of Behringer omega, you could be interested in volunteering anything just you could just come along. Of course, for this event, you have to RSVP because we've got 100 seats. So I'd like to give that number maybe, please, please give it now. If you're interested in coming, Please RSVP to 713-523-7110 extension 110 and just leave a message and you can reserve up to two seats per person. And it's an opportunity to come out at seven o'clock and mingle and meet people from Behringer omega and the volunteers and learn about our programs. And then the show starts at eight and so we'll watch the show and then if there's enough interest and we might, you know, go out afterwards and meet up so we're very, very grateful for city suburbia support. It's a wonderful partnership. Yes,



Judy Reeves 32:03

it wasn't hard talk all night. She's cute too, but her wife's out there.



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And with me today is tonight is Susan Harman. And Susan Spence is spending a year volunteering at Behringer omega. She gets a very, very small stipend and volunteers at least 40 hours in all of our programs. And I'd love for Susan, just to mention what it's like to volunteer at Behringer omega, just talk about what she does,



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really interesting. I'm a recent college graduate and all through college I did the whole you know, service social justice thing and and you find very often when you're volunteering with nonprofits, you get a lot of people who are there sort of just to make themselves look better

nonprofits, you get a lot of people who are there sort of just to make themselves look better. And so they they sort of care about the issue. But in reality, they're really more concerned with how things are gonna look on the resume. And it was very refreshing for me to come to Barry Omega to find that so many people were just everyone that I met was there because they genuinely just cared so much about the issue of people living with HIV and AIDS and really just give their heart and their soul. And they're also probably hands down the funniest people I've ever met in my entire life. The amount of times where I have laughed so hard I've almost had to run to the bathroom. I cannot even it's not a no no. So I've really more than enjoyed my time and I think that bearing omega is very blessed with the group of just caring and fantastic people who work for it and what whatever you're interested whether it be from playing Scrabble to scrubbing floors, we've we've got a roll for you and some time and and some love to give so I encourage everyone to come out and join the Behringer mica family. Yeah, we've



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we've just actually celebrated the reopening of a mega house, the residential hospice at varying omega, we had a renovation project and through the generous donation from the American Society for interior designers of giving their time and talent we designed to make a house and countless donors and so over \$100,000 worth of product and services donated for the project. So, you know, there's a lot going on at Behringer omega and we invite anyone who's interested in volunteering to come and join us and, and join us in our mission of caring for people living with HIV AIDS.



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I think of all I know a lot of volunteers. I know lots of people who do volunteer, but the people who work in places like Omega house, have, you know, they just they are at the top of the list as far as I concerned because it's really a hard job. Yeah, really hard job doing that.



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Yeah, absolutely. Very, very true. Jimmy and, and, you know, of course at the dental clinic as well. Adult day care, financial assistance. I



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think Houston is probably the first in the nation to have adult daycare for HIV and AIDS affected people.



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Yes, yes, yes, it is. And And in fact was like I met to a mega house as well. And Megan house was the first hospice licensed by the state of Texas specifically for people dying from a





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I did not know that. Yeah.



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Okay, so very proud of our services and



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carry on that tradition. Yeah. Yeah, we are great. You do such good work over there. At baring it's a, it's a wonderful place.



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Oh, we find we find we get a lot back, you know, and staff and volunteers work together as a team to, you know, help our clients and it's just very, very rewarding work. And yes, you know, I couldn't work in any other type of business, I can only work for nonprofit organizations. And what I love the most is working alongside people who have that same desire to, to help those in need and just, you know, to be there, and I just think it's great. It a bearing omega, you can just be there. Just by being there. You don't have to be mopping a floor just by being doing something that you'd be watching a movie with somebody.



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So this fundraiser again, can you give us the date? This



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Thursday, March the third? We're meeting at 7pm at theater, suburbia, and it's located at



Judy Reeves 36:08

Yeah, 1410 West 43rd at Oak Forest just off Ella. Yeah. And so



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just specifically for this Thursday, we're asking for people to RSVP because as I say, we do have over 700 volunteers and we've sent out invitations and word of mouth, but you don't have to be a Behringer Omega volunteer to come to this. We invite anybody who's interested. So do RSVP at 713-523-7110 extension 110. And if anyone's interested in volunteer opportunities, so not for this event on Thursday, but just volunteering in general, please feel free to give me a call and my number is 713-524-9304 extension 101. Your name again, my name is Fiona Dawson,

and my email is Fiona D and that's F like Frank i o n a D as in Dawson or Dassen. Is that how you say Behringer omega which is b r i n g o n e ga.org. We have a terrific website as well, which again was donated by a professional website developer and he donated his services. So you can see we encourage the community to help us in numerous ways. Absolutely.



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That's great. Good luck on your fundraiser. Thank you. And good luck to your suburbia as always with the show. Look forward to it. They'll be talking about in the next few weeks, get people out there. And we've got hatch coming up next. Thank you very much. And in order to facilitate that, we're going to hear a little tune by Andy Northrup, he's got a brand new CD out and not they're waiting for it for two years. It's called cardboard logic. And this is my favorite, favorite song off. It's called it ain't easy. And you're listening to it on after hours.



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Queer radio with attitude on listener sponsored commercial free Pacifica radio KPFT.



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That was Andy Northrup, from his CD cardboard logic. It ain't easy. And it's time now for Hatch.



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Yes, this is a hatch segment. I'm Brian, you are.



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My name is Sam. And I'm Jeffrey. And



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I'm Brendan, the one of the facilitators at hatch.



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And if you want to get in contact with us here, you can call us at 713-529-3590. Or you can visit us on the web at WWW dot hash youth.org. And promise



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from the steering committee that we will be you know, updating our website soon. So just to let

you know, we



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will be updating the website and we will actually get back to you in case you know, in case you want to call us or something. But we're extension three, so you just call a number and it'll tell you what number of press and all that kind of fancy stuff. So we're talking about tonight about apathy in the gay community



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and also in HIV prevention. Yes. Yes.



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So So Jeffrey, since this was your topic that you that you thought of, and it's a very good topic two. very timely, I think always timely. Do you want to start?



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Yeah, tell us what inspired you about this topic?



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Um, well, I just, I mean, I just see that in the community as a whole as a gay you know, in the gay community. People were just not involved. It's like, almost like people don't care if I can go as far as to say that. And it really bothers me. You know, I I see that a lot of things, we have a lot of opposition against our community. And we can't even come together as a community, you know, and people don't want to get involved. And you know, it's it really, I think it's an issue that needs to be addressed. That needs that people need to talk about and



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like it in what ways, specifically?



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Well, I mean, we have all these gay organizations out there. I mean, we've got global at U of H, we've got hatch we've got what's global global is the gay lesbian or bisexual Alliance at U of H. A University of Houston's that, basically kind of like the Gay Straight Alliance at the University

of Houston, right. And we've got the Houston area teen coalition of homosexuals, which has had nice touch, we got PFLAG, we've I mean, we've got all these organizations out there. And it's almost like, people are not getting involved. I mean, but Jeffrey,



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there's a lot of people who are involved in PFLAG. And well, and we have youth involved with hatch.



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Yes, we do have people involved. But I think that we need more involvement. You go to a global meeting at U of H and 20. Maybe if we're lucky, we get 20 people show up. And now I know there's more gay people that go to U of H than, you know, 20 people that showed up show up to global on a Thursday night at the meeting,



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I'd like to point out that there are 35,000 people that attend the U of H main campus, you know,



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now, the question I have what what does what is what is global? What do they do? What do they represent? Why would a person go and be a part of global



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global it does many different things. I mean, they do socializing fellowship for with other gay people, they do activism, they do support they do they do all kinds of things. It's not, you can't categorize it in one, you know, one deal. It's, they do everything, you know, socializing activism, awareness for the community. Right.



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And, you know, and they're, they're good organization. And I think that when less than 1% of the gay people show up to an organization, you know, a group show up to organization, I mean, it shows that there's not really some sort of, I don't know if it's lack of interest, or just not caring or whatever. But if, if there's 35,000 gay people, if there's 35,000 people, sorry, and you have a main campus, and 3500 of them will be gay, that's 10%.



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Well, then, you know, the reason they don't show up is Oh, sorry. You know, the reason this is Sam, you know, the reason they don't show up is, I mean, I just imagine, I am assuming that, that it's not really fun in a way that they're looking for, like they're looking for a house party, they're looking to go to South Beach, and they don't necessarily want to be structured in in an environment with rules as group and you know, all that. I mean, I'm just talking from my point of view, I'd rather go to a house party and get an abbreviated. And rather than, and I understand that some people so I think if they want the young people or any gay people to get involved, there's a formula that like, how do youth groups do it and in a church youth group, and not necessarily like a 16 year old is going to be like Jesus, but there's the youth group. Like they have incredible numbers because they follow a formula, they make it fun, they make they make sushi at people's houses, they, they go on ski trips, they etc, etc. And that's what the that's what the gay youth group should concentrate on and making it just fun. And then learn something in the process.



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Part of the problem with the whole college group is every college group, you'll go to will complain about apathy within the school setting there, right among the students there.



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Well, I don't I don't see this just as a call it as limited to a college group, right? No, right. I mean, we got people that are have jobs full time very professional, and they don't even know what excess International is, and they're gay. And for those of y'all who are listening and don't know what exes are national is. exes International is one of the biggest, if not the biggest, anti gay organization out there. What they claim to do is change gay people to straight it's a reparative organization. And all the money they make from their organization goes to support anti gay legislation, and you go down to Hollywood cafe, or you go to South Beach, and I guarantee you ask five different people. And you might get lucky if you get one of them that knows what excess or national is. And I, to me, I think that's the problem when you can't even identify what your opposition is, then how can we even do anything? Well, I



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think that I think you were talking about how or maybe it was Brendan, before the show was talking about someone from someone who lives in the southeast part of town or towards Galveston was saying that these billboards were popping up these anti gay billboards from Exodus And they were saying that this person wanted to come to hack because she was tired of seeing all the, you know, she was tired of not doing anything. And hackers organization is not a very activist organization, because of our legal whatever was just not our purpose.



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Our purpose is to make a kid that's right right now



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there are gay activist organizations out there right then. But Hatch's doesn't feel that.



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But it was, it was something that he said, You know, I need to become more involved with my community. So she can do that. And that that was a good place, because she could talk with other like minded people about whatever. And that's, I think it's important.



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And I think that's a good point, especially when you talk about apathy, sometimes it's a matter of not knowing what's out there, and especially for young people, because everything in our society is geared toward being straight. Everything on TV is straight oriented, everything about our social structure is straight oriented. Everything we read about in history straight, straight, straight, straight. We don't get any gay education, or we don't know about a gay community until we become old enough to seek that information out. We're



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willing grace is low education has helped. Yeah, of course, queers folk, and I don't know, Malcolm in the Middle, those things



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have those things have been able to,



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you know, and I understand that, but what about these people that have been gay? You know, they've been a part of the gay community for 1520 years, and they still don't? I don't know.



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Now, just because they're not interested in something you're interested in? Does that mean they're apathetic?



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That's true. I mean, it. I think that, however, that somehow, there is a level of interest in one's community where one says, you know, things that threaten my community are, are not good for my community. And I need to say something about that. So I think I can see both of your

points. That, yes, it's bad if someone is involved in the gay community, and they don't know about people that are trying to harm the gay community, then we just blithely going on and, you know, in ignorance, that I think there's a problem with that. But I think if people were just not interested, if they know about it, they're not interested in taking care of in becoming activism, and activism, or whatever, then maybe they're not. But maybe that's fine. And people



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won't really care until it affects them. You know, you know, what I mean? It personally, personally affects someone they know, you know, right. And



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I think part of that comes down to it. We talked about what moves people to activism, you know, when when does a person when does that light switch go on, and for the person you were talking about, it was seeing those billboards in Galveston, and in the suit in the civil rights movement, and Rosa Parks just had my sight. I



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think, in my, in my case, you know, I had accepted the fact that I was gay for, you know, three, it was four years ago. And, you know, I had never really been an activist, I never really thought about it, until the election, until this last election in November. And after I saw, like, the amount of people that went out and voted for, you know, Bush on these moral issues, and particularly gay marriage, and in every single state that they had it on the ballot, they banned it, you know, and, and I just became appalled. And I was like, you know, I'm not going to settle for the society that I was born and raised in. I'm not going to settle for being, you know, a second class citizen, and



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on the subject of gay marriage, you know, they say that the sacred ness of marriage is in is in jeopardy, but remember, Fox, he wants to marry a millionaire, where where were the complaints? Then? You can go to Las Vegas and get married in 30 minutes. That's how that's how my mom got married? I don't know. I'm just saying.



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I don't know. But I think to his point, you know, if people don't, people are, you know, threatened by this, you know, sort of off topic. And if people are threatened by gay marriage, and they're, we have such a high divorce rate in the street community. That, why are they concerned about marriage? Threatening marriage? Right?



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This is I mean, Britney Spears couldn't go to Las Vegas and get married for what less than 24 hours and then write having an old and make a complete mockery of the marriage institution. Yeah, but a lesbian couple that's been together for 50 years can't even get a marriage license. You know, that there's are old arguments that, you know, it's completely you



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know, that that has spurred new activists that may not have decided to be a part of an organization or may not have decided to speak out. It's in reaction to Something that bad, something bad that's happened. So I think the whole gay marriage, this whole election situation may have, you know, woken people up about taking notice and being more active more and more hands on about what's going on in the world.



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Definitely, I think that there's a point where you say, you know, this affects me. And if I don't do anything, then it's going to continue affecting me, and I'm just going to continue being miserable. Well,



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that's, that's what I've been saying. I personally think that our own worst enemy is not so much the religious right, or the, you know, the Republicans that are anti gay, or, you know, just the anti gay rhetoric in general. I mean, yes, there are opposition, but I think we are, as the gay community, we are our own worst enemy. Because we can't come together, we must unite, we have to, you know, the thing is a house divided will never stand. And I mean, it's so true.



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What is that, like? We must we must hang together, or we shall hang separately.



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So I think it's important



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that is that you're hung either way. All right.



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But isn't it better? You know, but I think the, the point is, we either hang together as a band

together, or we hang separately, you know.



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Yeah. But, you know, getting back to the whole apathy thing, I think there's something that there needs to be distinction, that we all can't be 100% up on every issue, and we all can't go march the streets about every individual aspect of what's going on.



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I mean, I'm not saying that every, you know, 100% that, you know, you need to know every single issue involving the gay community. That's not what I'm saying. But as something as big as ex International, which is probably the biggest UK base, it's basically a you know, the basically the k k k for gays and every black person we don't even know. I think that's a problem. You know, I think that's a real problem. And, and this



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is where it goes back to it sometimes it takes an event or an individual to spark interest to move people to definitely.



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And I think we got our wake up call when they put up 15 billboards in Galveston, I think that was our wake up call. Can



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you can you imagine if there was a if there was a way you could change for black people to be white people, like they had a poster Michael Jackson. And it's just like, you can change? You know, I mean, that's basically what they're saying. And as gay people, you just should be outraged naturally. And you should just want to just, you know, you don't take off your shirt and just walk around in downtown Houston with the sign and say, what's up? What's up Mayor Libra, I'm not Lea. What's his name? Bill, I say what's up Bill White? What's up? You're going to tow my car? What's up? What's going on?



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You made an interesting point and people in our audience who are straight, I want you to understand what he just said that it's just as insulting as a gay person to be told. Go fix yourself be straight. That's just as insulting as a gay person. As I would imagine it would be for a black person to be told. Okay, now we're going to make you white. And



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another point I learned this from Howard Stern I listened to him almost every morning he said that. Organizations like Exodus that can allegedly change straight people gay people to straight they produce people like the governor of New Jersey who has two kids and marries a woman and knowing that he's game a subconsciously or consciously it ruins his kid's life and it ruins his wife's life. Can you imagine going his son is a freshman in high school can you imagine the first day of school? I mean the Exodus ruins lives it ruins a gay ruins a gay man so



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I think that probably happened before exodus was around no I mean the



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people like Exodus people



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do reparative therapy in general and that



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was one of the biggest times in which he lived produce that people like the Exodus Exodus wants to that's the end results that



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mentality the ex rice mentality and it ruins lie. You know, the only



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way I could see where exit and go flipping to the other side, maybe playing devil's advocate just a little bit here. The only way in which I can see Exodus International possibly helping is somebody who is bisexual who is more straight than they are gay, who may be like a one on a Kinsey scale of zero to six. You know that person is not really gay. They may be just kind of curious, hard to say, you know, maybe in that situation, but that's not who we're talking about. It's



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really I'm here Can we all take off our shirts?



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On that note, I do I do have to break in real quick and let everyone listen letting everybody know you're listening to after hours queer radio with attitude here on listener sponsored commercial free Pacifica radio for the good have noticed that I am Hi, hey Pft 90.1 I'm,



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I'm hot here. I mean, it's the don't turn KPFT



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Houston 90.1 FM 89.5 Galveston and always on the worldwide web at KPFT dot O R G. This is the hatch segment.



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They're taking a break, they can't hear us. Back on, we're



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back on. Now. Basically, we had to keep the FCC happy, you know, they want to hear every once every hour that we have to be what station we are, just so it keeps the FCC happy. And all that kind of this I



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we we broke at a point where I wasn't I felt like I need to clarify something I said, Because I came off really bad. About when I when I said we're exes International, and one of the things they may be able to do is take someone who's just maybe a little bit queer, right, and then turn them straight. I don't think that you can take a person who is gay and make them straight. I think that's a failure waiting to happen. Because I think that's, I personally believe it's in your genetics. That's who



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you are. Yes.



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Why would anybody choose to be gay in this society?



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Absolutely. You know, it's it's not a very, I'm not saying it's not a positive thing. But it's something that you get a lot of flack for, and nobody wants floss. I



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mean, my family thinks I'm a disgrace for being gay, you know, who would want that? Who would want that? I mean, I



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can't imagine any parent not thinking You are the apple of their I mean, you're an awesome kid. You're awesome. Personally, thank



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you, that was very, you know, You're flattering your unique parents should be



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would be thankful to have you as their child.



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My mother thinks you're a great person, you know, and we weren't here at the radio station, or my mother is.



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You know, she always says, Your mother's Yes. Yeah. Your mom is



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basically, you know, you you're a great person, you you do your about good things. And that's I think it's important that people do the right thing. And you're a good example of doing the right thing. You know, regardless of whether people think your moral or not, either, I think, and I think it's important. Yeah.



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Well, thank you very much. You're



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a great person. You really are.



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Thank you. And



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you're awesome. And I think so I think we, we brought up something about HIV prevention. I wanted to just jump back to the apathy and gay community for a second, the GLBT community, actually, and I think that maybe on the issue of if, you know, how many I don't know, the statistic, but you know, how many people are, were, who are black, we're interested in the why not be white. But in the, in the civil rights movement, maybe not very many of them, maybe some of them were just happy going to church, and being involved in their community within their community. And that was, and you know, and I think that, as Brendan pointed out, that, like Rosa Parks was, she just wanted to sit down, and there was no place to sit down. So she sat down in the appropriate in the wrong, that's in quotes section. So she got arrested. And it's, it's when people get fed up with the, the bad stuff that's happening in our community. That's right, then they it were whatever community they live in, then they say, that's enough, I'm going to become inaccurate. That's why



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but I don't think that for some people that they feel that they, they feel that they're okay with the status quo. It's like this idea of where, well, we've come a long way as the gay community. Yes, we have come a long way to go, but we're not there yet. And we may not ever be there yet, don't



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unpack the trips, we still have a long



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way to go. And we can't give up the fight,



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you know? Absolutely. And that's where a personality or an event will help spark a movement

you know. Absolutely. And that's where a personality or an event will help spark a movement. But you know, and we were talking about this a little bit earlier, I think the true unsung hero of gay activists, and the people who are really going to change the world we live in the society we're in, or the everyday person that tells their parents that tells their their siblings, it tells their family that they're gay, that tells their neighbor that they've lived next to for 1520 years that they've they've been had dinner at each other's houses, that they're gay, the person who lets their co workers and the people around them know that I'm somebody you love. I'm somebody you know, I'm someone you trust, and I'm gay. I'm not some demonized person that yours hold about by accessing or our whoever that's out to. Right do horrible things. Those are the people who are going to change the world. And it's going to be people like Rosa Parks like my all time hero and personal. Someone I look up to John by us, I I absolutely love her. This we all can't be those people. Right? We can be the people who say, Hey, I'm the face of a gay person. I'm someone you love. Right.



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And I think it really changes people's minds. Because when you say you know, I'm someone you know when respect and love And then you say, I'm gay, then or I'm a lesbian or bisexual or transgendered, whatever the case might be. Or if you're a parent, you say, I have gay kids, whatever, then that's saying, you know, someone you know and care about is not this awful person, but they're really just the same person, they always work, right? You just do a little bit more about them. It's like, you know,



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it's not a totally who they are, it's just a part of it. They're still gonna like country music, try, you know, they're still going to, you know, do whatever. And they're just, they're just part of their day. They're just attracted to what, whatever makes them happy. Right? If that happens to be, you know, whatever. Right, you know, man, woman? Yeah, small animals, whatever. No.



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But yeah, I think it's a good point, you know, we, we say, it's about basically respecting other people. And so, if we respect to the people, and we try to get other people to realize it, yes. We, if we try to get people to even pick up a paper, like a voice or something, and say, and say, you know, yeah, and say, if we get people to pick up a voice and say, you know, this is what's going on in my community, and I really care about it, if they just know about what's going on community, it's better than not saying it's better than not knowing what's going on. And you can say, I'm going to get involved, I'm not going to get involved, and you make a conscious decision. And then you can say, you know, I really, this works for me, your this doesn't, even if it's getting involved in some, some, what I call for turtle organization right now is to some sort of pleasure activity, like tennis or whatever, or roller skating I know, used



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to be I used to the lambda Roller Skating Club years ago,



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and which is, unfortunately, defunct. It is, but it's good that we say, you know, there's, there's things we can do as a community, and we, and we know people that are likely to help us and we can get right.



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But you know, I don't I don't think it takes a person who goes to globe, I think every you have a gay student that doesn't attend global I don't think is necessarily apathetic. It just may not be where their interests lie. So I think we should, I guess, try to challenge people to find out what their interests are. Right? And for those of us who are those activists for for those of us who are taking on that role of leading people, to make sure you get the information out and train people and teach people how they can be a part in effect, change,



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and affect change, and how so like it did not stop spreading HIV?



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Well, yeah, when we got to HIV, but



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standing up for yourself and every in almost every way that you can in your everyday life,



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you know, to maybe affect the or straight or straight friends out there, then when it comes time to go vote for a constitutional amendment, that banning gay marriage,



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which is coming up, which is November,



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which, which maybe will affect those people and remind them of who we are, so that when they go to vote, they'll say, You know what, this isn't right. I'm voting no, or whatever.



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We're voting against the amendment. That's yes or no. Yeah, it was we've seen with Proposition two and they're gonna set it.



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I've read that the most Americans do not support the gay marriage. They do not support the gay lifestyle. That's right. The pope himself says that it's the decline of society. So many before high profile people do not support gay marriage. It



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was it was before the gay marriage issue came out. Majority of the American people support it, issues like domestic partnership benefits, they supported the end, which is the employment



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discrimination, right. They surveilled in the Senate by one vote, right? They supported



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those things. It wasn't until gay marriage became so politicized that those polls started to swing in the other area in certain certain section.



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You know, what countries where it's legal to have gay marriage,



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it's in the Netherlands.



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society hasn't turned into crap. No, actually, their society goes up. You will



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there. It's interesting. These are these are countries that have no death penalty. And yet their crime rate is significantly less than ours.



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Yeah. And so what are the Exodus people are the anti gay people say they say if gay marriage is legal is the decline and



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in marriage, well, they come up with a number of things. There was this minister on TBN one of the religious stations and his name is John Hagee, and I challenge you. Even if you're a straight person, if you ever listen to this man, I'm sure he will. He will push some buttons with you if you just listen to him for a while. And he looks loves to just talk bad about gays all the time. I mean, he can't speak one sermon without interjecting some kind of harmful, homophobic remark in his sermon. And he preached a whole sermon 10 reasons why we should not support gay marriage in this country. And some of them were just completely absurd, like, one of them was, well, it will break the healthcare system, because you'll have more HIV people getting married people with HIV and married. But the problem with that is, people with HIV can already get married, right? They can get married to somebody the opposite sex and break the system. And,



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you know, anyone who can think for themselves, which hopefully will be most of our audience would say, you know, that's bogus, that's not going to, it's not even a real threat, because there's no, that's a red herring argument or herring argument. I felt a straw man, it's setting up the arguments that you go ahead and break it down. You purposely inflate the argument. So that it's much since unrealistic, and then you knock down the unrealistic argument. That's, that's not going to work. I mean, you know, and not everyone who's gay has HIV. Right.



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You know, you would think that gay people were immortal before HIV came around, you know, that gay people just never. I don't know, it's just,



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I found it. You know, as the Minister. I don't think that he should be politicizing it should have been like, hey, he should be preaching, you know, love what, you know, Jesus Christ Jesus, with important issues, but becoming politicized like this, you know, it's totally I think it's anti Christian. Yeah, but



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it's preaching hate Jesus, if he comes today, if he just like, you know, boom, Jesus here, he'd be hanging out with us, he hangs out with the prostitutes, and with the tax collectors, he hang out with the outcast of society. And I would put money on I would bet my 92 Oldsmobile Cutlass that he would support gay marriage, because it's love. It's love. I think you're right. And it's guaranteed or unconstitutional. Right? That's all we want is a constitution, right? Pursuit of Happiness. And all men are created equal.



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It's a legal declaration,



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a legal document that our forefathers wrote. And it's in some, you know, whatever. I don't know, I'm not one for detail. I



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agree with you. I think there, within the Declaration of Independence, there's argument enough to where we should be supporting sacrilege,



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right. And I think even at the time that the women's movement was around, they were saying that there was a Declaration of Sentiments, which is very similar to the Declaration of Independence, that say, you know, all people are created equal. And I think that's an important students, men means mankind, people, you know, all people are created equal. And I think we need to say, we need to respect that and say, you know, what, while I may not agree with you on whatever, I can still say, you're a good person.



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I would like to reiterate something about what it says when it says all men are created equal. And people have the right for the Liberty, life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, but it didn't say, okay, all men are created equal. That's what the Bible says, or what the Bible, it didn't say that.



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This nation was not created as a Christian nation. It was not because Church and State should never do business together. Thomas Jefferson knew that he knew the consequences. He saw it firsthand, George watched, so this nation was not created as a Christian nation.



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And I think that was because a lot of the people who came here were, were persecuted for their religious beliefs. And they said, You know, I don't want to be persecuted for my religious beliefs in England, or wherever they came from. And they said, you know, we're going to do something that where we can be independent, and we can we can be with like minded people. And that's, I think that's what a lot of gay organizations try to do is they try to say, you know, we're being oppressed. So let's go ahead and form our own groups that say, Here are people that are like minded that have you know, that are care about things that we care about, and we can get together and find a nice



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yeah, landed the free home of the brave. And you know, some you know, it takes a brave person to to be gay. It takes a very brave person to be gay to admit it to it to your father to your true self and some timid yourself. Yeah, isn't just incredible.



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That can change the the concept and the picture that you had for your life sometimes. Yeah,



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they say gay, gay, the stereotype is gay. People are afraid to fight they're, they're sissies. They're, you know, they won't stand for each other their



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disagreement, we as a community, we've had to suffer through so much that we were almost okay and Nazi Germany. They want to innately ate all the homosexuals okay. Then you You'd go back to the 80s when AIDS is breaking out, we've had to come through so much stuff. And yet we're still here. And we're always going to be here. You know, and if they think that, you know, with all this anti gay legislation that there's some somehow going to, you know, eliminate homosexuality, they've got another thing coming. It's been here, homosexuality has been here since forever has been in existence, wherever and



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I think that you were the one who talked about apathy and HIV, apathy with respect to HIV. Yes. Which I think is important also guys that Yeah.





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But before we go there, did you read the article about the penguins? Yeah, there's, there's, there's a zoo somewhere, and they have these these 20 penguins or so. And six of Germany, okay, Germany, in Germany, and these, six of the couples have become male couples. So that, yeah, so, so they were hoping that these penguins were going to have, you know, a little baby penguins and procreate, and all this other stuff. But six pairs have joined a male male homosexual relationship. Wow, that's



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very interesting.



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And, you know, I remember a few years ago, there being arguments against homosexuality in that it didn't, homosexuality doesn't occur in the animal world or doesn't occur anywhere else except in, in human beings. And for somehow, some way, there was an argument to how that was unnatural. When I think now we know and we've heard the argument. Yeah, I there was a few years ago, I remember that being a mind dog or lesbian. There you go. And there's a couple of instances in the animal world where there have been homosexual relation documented,



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right? Yeah. I always think I'm sorry, Brian, but I always think like nature, like, maybe, maybe like, this is my free thinking, like, maybe nature made homosexuality a gene to control the population, because that can be an honor, no more, maybe



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homosexuality actually helps to the advancement of a family. Because if you have an uncle, that's gay, or you have a sister that has children, you as the gay uncle may actually help support your nieces and nephews, and help help them advance. So actually, that might be a family unit way in which homosexual members of the family will help advance the family genes. Right. So I evolutionary speaking, homosexuality may actually help advance those genetic Yes.



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And I think that the anti gay argument you had pointed out before, the it's not very natural, is not only easily disproven, because we can say like bonobo monkeys are, are bisexual, you know, that that's the way they are. Alright. And we can also say that, that that's a it's a natural law, philosophy, which is a, it tends to be a more religious argument. But it's a it's an, it's we do think things are the way they are because, you know, things are right, because they're, they're natural things that he coordinates in nature. And we know that, you know, it's probably not we,

we humans kill other members of their species. And that's not right, either. But, you know, we still do it. And we claim it is right. And that's that's obviously not happening in nature. Sure. So I think that that argument is sort of bogus. And



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I didn't want to get away from the HIV thing, because I think it's an important topic to talk about, yes.



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Discussing apathy and HIV prevention. You know, I think it's, it's becoming an epidemic, you know, I'm sure. A lot of our listeners, and I'm sure everybody here in the studio has heard about the new strain that they supposedly found in the game man up in New York City, that the new strain that is supposedly resistant to all medications, and within getting it, they're giving you like a six month period before you pass



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on. So in other words, it's mutating? Well, it's



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something they've known about HIV for a long, long time that it mutates this particular



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strain or strange that's person may have doesn't react any of the treatments.



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And it was it is to be recognized that that he used crystal methamphetamine and unprotected annual sales. That's



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quite a bit from what I understand he had over 200 sex partners. Right.



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So your response to that means that's it loves himself love yourself and wear a condom are our do ah, oh, I don't know



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what what may be happening with this is he may have picked up several different strains right there. And and then now he's got all of them. Yeah. So I think that's an important part for people who are who are HIV positive. That, you know, there are strains out there who don't



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react that are much more virulent. That's right. So you're much less likely to react to medication. That's right, and things like that. So



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you still need to protect yourself from those other strains.



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I mean, this is the deal that I've noticed as the gay community that a lot of people have This belief that it's somehow unpopular, and what's even rude it rude to ask your potential sex partners, what their HIV status is, or to even bring up maybe safe, you know, safe sex that it's now they think it's rude.



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And one of that's a southern thing.



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I don't know what



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it was, it's rude to bring it up or it's rude. It's rude to steal,



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but you have to love you. Remember that guy who talked it had she said, he says that stuck with me says you have to love yourself, enough to protect yourself, you have to love yourself to be not have sex, or to really get to know a person, I don't understand these people who have hundreds and hundreds of sex partners. They must not love them. I love them. So I



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think I mean, it's like, when you're not willing to ask when you when you're getting ready to have sex, if you're not willing to ask, what's your HIV, you know what your partner's HIV status is? I think somehow that that is a little bit of insecurity in yourself. That



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is true. I think it's very important for people, this is my philosophy. If I am going to have sex with somebody, I am going to assume that they're HIV positive.



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I think everybody should do that



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no matter what, whether they say they're negative, whether they whatever the answer is, even if you're going to get married, you treat that person as if they're HIV positive, even when they are not your hands. Well, that's well, it will, knowing what we know about how HIV is spread using your hands in a certain depending on what all you do, you're not there's not going to be a threat for getting HIV unless you have cuts on your hands or something like that. Right. So yeah, even if you're using your hands, yeah.



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And it's about it's about, you know, and it's not about that you don't care about your partner, or you don't love your partner, protecting yourself, it's about saying, you know, I care about you, so that if you said if I've become infected within my last test, within the last period between tests, that I'm not going to protect you, and you're going to protect me and that way we can, you know, we can, we can be safe, and actually care that we're not, you know, just going to kill ourselves by being reckless, because



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I think a lot of people, we're not getting that message, I really think that a lot of people are not getting a message. And I think it's a real problem. It's a real problem, and something needs to be done. And



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it just gives, just gives, like people who belong to Exodus and the like, just another reason for us to say Hey look at them they're they're acting irresponsible You know their spirit

as to say, hey, look at them, they're, they're acting irresponsible. You know, then spirit



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goes back to the whole idea that we don't even love ourselves. You know, we're not it's a self we don't you know, it is self hate. What



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Why would you have sex with like, 400 people within your lifetime? What are you looking for? Like, did your dad didn't love you? I don't know what's going on there. I mean, honest to God, why would you have sex with 400 people on unprotected sex? I mean, it's basically suicide. And it's Russian roulette. I mean, that must be so



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I mean, but we're missing the point here is, you're you're paying Russia, you're playing Russian roulette when you're having sex, even if it's the first time because there's people, they have sex their very first time. And they catch HIV. They didn't have no 406 partners. Yeah, that's right. Yeah. And that's what that's why protection is very important. Yes. Love yourself. Well, and I would also like to reiterate the fact that even when you use protection, it's not 100% effect, you know, safe and effective every single time. Right? You know, you know,



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if you if you use it properly, it is good to use a condom properly. It is over 99% effective. But the problem is a lot of people don't use condoms properly. And I'm not just, you know, trying to be tacky or anything, though. It's true, but it's true. You know, there's I got this information when I went through a human sexuality course to my church. Yeah, they're, they're very gay friendly. And so they explained, you know, how things worked and had that they had the priests come in there and everything. It was the minister of the minister came in. And yeah, but the, the, basically,



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they can't use the model. Like, Praise Jesus. I don't know. No,



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basically, they will. I think it's very appropriate for a minister to come in and give knowledge



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remove his garments No

remove his garments. No.



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But to give give the patrons of his church knowledge they could save their lives.



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In church sign me up,



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I go to first turn Universalist and I know I was there two weeks ago. Yeah, they're very, very on Fannin right there. Yes, they're very gay friendly. They were the original places were had started. And the minister came in and it wasn't. She wasn't. It wasn't hitting teachers, most of the information. They had people from the church do that. She talks about sensuality, like we tasted a strawberry with some powdered sugar and we try this sense sensors are important. And they also the point I was getting to was the inverse information and it could save your lives could they give us the newest information and they give was information on like birth control, you know, because that was for a lot of people, that's an important thing, I'm worried about getting pregnant. And basically, they, it said that, you know, how it's affected how it's used when completely when he put these properly, and how its average, its average uses, and it's about, and, you know, if you have a lot of sex partners, then you know, it's more likely that you will have, you know, something that goes wrong. You know, it really is



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surprising how many people don't know how to properly use a condom.



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And you just put it on. Come on now. From airport when when they put on, they're about to have sex, and then they put on like this body, this body condom on and they start having sex. It's not like that. But



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there's, there's two ways to put one on, you know, there's the right way the wrong way. And you know, and you need these lubrication things,



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then people don't realize that baby oil is actually or petroleum products actually degrade the oil don't know

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that. These are, these are important things for people to know. And that's why we try to provide, you know, accurate HIV information items in the restroom, right? And we try to provide accurate HIV information. So for like, once every six months, we go over the basics. So people know how they can protect themselves and how to use condoms properly. You know, what, you know? Basically, how do I love myself enough to, to protect myself all things



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to love yourself, you want to live? That's right,



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a fruit going back to the whole the whole idea about this new strain, though, I was reading an article that was posted by one of the editors, or I think he was an editor for gay.com. And I was reading his commentary, his editorial about this new strain. And he basically stated over and over and over again, in his editorial that they don't need to be coming out and saying that there's this new strain of HIV because it's scaring people. And I think that's a real problem. I think these people I Personally, myself, I say shame on that man for saying that, because people need to be scared. You know, even if this is a false alarm, you know, this is something that is life threatening. And people do need to know how to protect themselves and how to prevent them, you know, from getting this, because this is not something that you want, you know, in our community. Now we have a lot of people have this idea of, well, if you get HIV, it's no big deal nowadays, because they've got all these medications, and you can live a really long life. Well, yes, that's, you know, in a lot of cases, that is true. But what you know, what you don't know is that those medications are basically like taking chemotherapy. That's right, right. It was old chemo baby, one of the drugs that some of these aids patients have to take are HIV patients have to take it gives you diarrhea, like 24/7, you can't do anything, you can't go out to dinner with your friends, you because you're having diarrhea all the time, that's not in existence. This is not something that you want to get. Right. And it's not something to be taken lightly of. And I think, in our community, it's an epidemic. I think people make light of it, because they're like, we got the drugs now. So it's no big deal.



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You know, part of that may be the MIS information about what what else is involved with the treatments and it no longer being called a disease, you'll die from it. But do you know when you'll just live with for a long time, so part of that may be actually getting the information out of what, what the side effects are for these drugs? I mean, thank God for each and every one. Right? Of course, for help, we continue to have drugs that that make people and extend people's lives and the quality of their lives, but it's not a glamorous disease and running drugs.



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I mean, they have really bad side effects and these are things that you don't