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SPEAKERS

Shawn, Buddy Johnston, Jimmy Carper, Harvey Milk



00:01

and hear what you've been missing



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I remember an incident four years ago when I was walking through an amusement park holding hands with my lover and was called queer by a child six years old. And from that day forward I've been all too aware of who the child molesters in this society are. These are gay and lesbian people



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hanging out here. What's your reaction to that? I have a little boy and I would hate for my little boy to be like that those are animals



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I think it's terrible how to rock



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all the queers want equal rights? Why don't you do the way God made us to do it your



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mother father led any person who is gay.



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Children learn to hate from their parents to hate other people and themselves. Which is why the lesbian and gay public awareness project wanted you to hear and think about this message. For more information write us at Post Office Box 65603 Los Angeles, California 90065.



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This call for the straight folks who don't mind gays, but wish they weren't so blatant.



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You know, some people got a lot of nerve. Sometimes I don't believe that things I see in here. Have you met the woman who shocked by two women kissing and in the same breath tells you that she's pregnant. But gays shouldn't be blatant. Or the straight couple sits next to you in a movie. And he can't hear the dialogue because of the sound effects. But gays shouldn't be blatant. And the woman in your office, spend your whole lunch hour talking about her new bikini drawers and how much her husband likes them. But gays shouldn't be blamed. Or the hip check in your class. rattling a mile a minute while you're trying to get stoned in the John about the camping trip she took with her musician boyfriend. But gays shouldn't be blamed. You go in a public bathroom. And all over the walls. There's John loves Mary Janice digs. Richard Pepe loves the Loris, etc. But gaze shouldn't be blatant. Or you go to an amusement park, and there's a tunnel of love and pictures. The streets painted on the front and grinning couples coming in and out. But gays shouldn't be blatant. Fact is blatant Heterosexuals are all over the place. Supermarkets, movies, at work in church, in books on television every day and night. Every place even in gay bars. And they want gay men and women to go hide in the closets. So to you straight folks, I say Sure. I'll go if you go to, but I'm polite. So after you



S Shawn 03:19

festival in Grand Rapids, Minnesota. They like to have their little community theater do the Wizard of Oz and they have a Julie Judy Garland parade



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and have had a look alike con.



B Buddy Johnston 03:32

Where's this at?



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Not in Grand Rapids.

J Jimmy Carper 03:35

Where's that nines ran by?

B Buddy Johnston 03:37

Is it really Judy Garland's birthday then? Yes. Okay.

S Shawn 03:41

Grand Rapids claims are because there's old movie theater. It's the first place she ever like tap danced.

J Jimmy Carper 03:48

Francis Gump?

S Shawn 03:50

Isn't that attractive Navy Francis Gump? Yes. Well,

J Jimmy Carper 03:55

it was there was two of them the GM sisters.

S Shawn 03:58

Right, but I don't know. Whatever happened to the other sister. I just know that. Judy's the one

B Buddy Johnston 04:03

No, excuse me. I know is sexing. Judy this is just for you then. It is her birthday. How old would she have been today?

J Jimmy Carper 04:11



04:14

gotta get over 500



Buddy Johnston 04:16

Your hate Oh, my husband that has money and you're hateful thank you I



Jimmy Carper 04:22

work hard at it



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matters comfy though.



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[Somewhere Over the Rainbow plays]



Buddy Johnston 06:29

Judy



06:39

This is Julie Brown and you're listening to KPFT 90.1 FM in Houston



Jimmy Carper 06:50

Hey, Paul chrissteele cares.



Harvey Milk 06:54

I'm Harvey Milk. I'm a supervisor in San Francisco.



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And I'm Greg Gordon for I am RU. And I'm gay. We're up in San Francisco in Harvey's office at Castro camera. And Harvey has graciously taken a few minutes out of his very busy schedule to

CARLOS CARRASCO AND HARVEY MILK GRACIOUSLY TAKEN A FEW MINUTES OUT OF THE VERY BUSY SCHEDULE TO TALK TO US ABOUT POLITICS IN SAN FRANCISCO AND HOW HE GOT ELECTED THE FIRST OPENLY GAY PERSON TO BE ELECTED TO PUBLIC OFFICE

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Harvey Milk 07:21

in California history. Legislators and the executive officers be they the local supervisor, be the statewide run your life. They run your life and they spend your money when they collect tax money from gay people. And don't give us anything back and returned. Take it for their golf courses, take our tax money for their pet projects. And give us an Taavet insult us by not giving us our rights. That's not motivation if you like being harassed by the police, if you like being a third class citizen, if you like being beat up by pugs, if you like the church yelling at you don't register don't vote. But don't complain. If you want to shove you be shoved back in your closet. If you want to be the traditional gay person who gets beat up and whip his home and say, Well, I'm gay and I deserve to get beat up by otherwise the only thing you can do is register to vote. Hi, Ray. Do you have a few words for KPFA? Come on out. Join us bring a friend. What do you think about the turnout so far? Well, it's never just never enough. Never. I know what the game movements about. After I got elected, I got the phone call. I knew I'd eventually get it. Quite a few of them. One was from a 17 year old child in a small town in Minnesota. And the boy is handicapped. And the boy's parents found out that he's gay. And they want to put him into the status. There boy needs help. In the gay Moon is about the letter I got from Southwest Africa when he read about a gay person getting elected here. And that person has hope. And at 17 year old kid in Minnesota has hope. And we have game eight is not understanding that and are more worried about their own personal power and not elite his offensive power radio if it works for KPFA. Come on out. Join us bring a friend. What do you think about the turnout so far? Well, it's never never enough never enough. We must destroy the myth Swinson for shatter them. We must continue to speak out. And most importantly, most importantly, every gay person must come out. difficult as it is, you must tell your immediate family. You must tell your relatives you must tell your friends if indeed They are your friends, you must tell your neighbors, you must tell the people you work with. You must tell the people to the stories you shopping once they realize that we are indeed their children, and we are indeed everywhere, every myth, every lie, every innuendo will be destroyed once and runs. Once you do, you will feel so much better. Already have a few words for KPFA. Come on out. Join us bring a friend. What do you think about the turnout so far? Well, it's never enough, never enough people in this country to do one thing somebody is in Des Moines or San Antonio, with a young gay person, all of a sudden realizes that she or he is gay knows that if the parents find out to be tossed out of the house, the classmates would taunt the child. And the need of Ryan's and John brings are doing their bit on TV and that child had several options. Stay in in a closet, suicide. And then one day that child might open up paper and says homosexual elected in San Francisco and there are two options. One option is to go to California. They in San Antonio in might. Two days after I was elected, I got a phone call. The voice was quite young was from Altoona, Pennsylvania. And the person said, thanks. And you've got to let gay people so that that young child and the 1000s upon 1000s Like that child know that his hope for a better world is hope for a better tomorrow without hope for only gays that those blocks the Asians, disabled seniors. The essence, essence without hope, the essence give up. I know that you cannot live on hope alone. Without it, life is not worth living. And you and you. And you got to get home.

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Buddy Johnston 12:49

Thank you very much. You know today Roger sister was married. Yes. And we went to the

THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOU KNOW, COULD YOUR SISTER WAS MARRIED. YES. AND WE WENT TO THE wedding. It's first time I've been to a wedding in several years. You made a strike. Yes. And last month, my father died. Yes. And today I was reminded again, how much society takes away from us. I mean, here's an and Jim beautiful, beautiful people who really deserve to be there publicly announcing their love and their marriage to the world. And I was reminded standing there, almost to the point of tears, how many of us go through life struggling for love. And when we find it, we don't get any recognition from the society or from our families, a lot of times, and a lot of times from each other most of the time. Sometimes in our circle of friends, you find a lover or a boyfriend and everyone becomes jealous. And envious to the point of a lot of times excluding you from their friendship

J Jimmy Carper 14:02

because of it. That does happen sometimes for that reason. So this a lot. A lot of the times it's because you're a new lover is taking you away from your your friends, you don't have a lot of time to devote to them.

B Buddy Johnston 14:17

So this morning, we want to recruit you into the movement. We want to promise you that you will be hated by the church. You will be hated by most of society. You'll be hated by your family. In some cases, you'll be turned away by your friends to be laughed at and scorned by most of the people you come in contact with in your daily life. And it's really great. So come on down and sign up today.

J Jimmy Carper 14:46

Okay, now you've presented the worst case and about course,

B Buddy Johnston 14:49

of course we're kidding. Because yes, some of those things might happen. But I talked to the Houston Post on On Friday. And he said, What do you see is the hope of the movement? And I said, Well, I don't really know the answer that question. I don't know a lot of answers to many questions. But I'll tell you this. As long as there's one person in the closet, it's going to hold my life back. No matter how open I am, no matter how many union jobs I get at HPD, no matter how many parades I march in, no matter how many radio programs I do, as long as you're in the closet. And as long as you're suffering, my life is going to suffer. So today, I asked you to find whatever courage you need to come out and become a part of our family. This is the time to do it. If you have never been to a parade, please show up. In three weeks, feel the energy, feel the love, and help us help you find yourself baby. Because as long as you continue to hide, and wait on someone else to do it, it's never gonna get done. Harvey Milk is not coming. Martin Luther King is not coming. I don't have any answers for you. No one else does. Either. Nobody's coming to save us. You're your own salvation. And the only way I'm ever going to be able to reach the full potential of my life is for you to understand that and come out and be a part of your life. So that's what we encourage you to do this morning. Because if you don't do it now, it

won't get done. And child. If I've learned anything, especially over the last three years during this show, I realized that time is the only thing I really can't control. Because it keeps ticking away, minute by minute, day by day, week by week. And sometimes it feels like it's rushing by,

 Jimmy Carper 16:51

well, you know, coming out is not an event. It's a process. It takes a long time because you don't you come out a little bit you come out to yourself, you come out to good friends, you come out to family, then maybe you come out to the world, but it is a process. And I think gay pride is the same thing. It's a process. And it coincides with coming out the more you come out, the more pride you feel.

 Buddy Johnston 17:23

And if you do come to the parade, you will hear over and over again. Oh, I wish it could happen all year round. Yes.

 Jimmy Carper 17:32

Just like Christmas. Why can't it be Christmas every day? Why can't it be Pride Week every day,

 Buddy Johnston 17:39

I have news for you child, it can be it can be when you allow it to be when I was talking about I had been to a wedding and the first one in a long time. Jimmy said a straight wedding. And that's because there are unions not recognized by the state. No, but recognized by us. The gay and lesbian people

 Jimmy Carper 18:03

do have been to many, they're wonderful, they're beautiful.

 Buddy Johnston 18:06

In fact, we're going to be talking to a couple of gentlemen who are longtime listeners of this program. And inviting you if you would like to participate in their union. We're going to have lunch with them on Monday. But what we're talking about is decorating the lobby really nice. Making it very beautiful out there. Having the flowers and everything set up at the end. And having Matt and Ben proclaim to the world just as Anna and Jim did today in our own way, their love and Promise of Hope for each other. And hopefully we will be able to bring you that live. And after that we will have a little reception in the lobby. Who knows what we're going to do Mary? I'm just really looking forward to it. What I do know is that there's a gay Houston police officer out there somewhere

J Jimmy Carper 19:13
for lesbian

B Buddy Johnston 19:15

who is listening or has listened. And maybe do I need to talk to you? I need to talk to you because I need a lot of support. I need the support of a friend. How a lot of friends down there but girl, you know what it's like when you need a friend and you don't got nobody to talk to that understands. So I'm not gonna beg you not yet. Maybe in a couple of weeks, I'll begged you to call me. Right now I'll just ask you to call me. Get a pencil. I'll give you my number here in just a minute. But every week we hear Harvey You say we must destroy the mess, we must destroy the mess. And that's what we're going to do. We're going to destroy the mess that were sissies that were waiters and hairdressers. We're going to let people know that we're here

J Jimmy Carper 20:26
and work where

B Buddy Johnston 20:30

I wish that if I wish anything I wish that you could feel what I feel or what we feel who are out on the job every day. I wish you could feel what I feel. When I speak to my family, who does support me, some of them I wish you could feel what I feel. When I walked the streets of my neighborhood. I get smiles and waves from people. I wish you didn't feel as much pain as I do sometimes. I don't know how we can get out of it baby. One way is to quit hurting each other so much. There's got to be a way out of this mass. I really believe that there's someone out there for us. Me and you and we and they and all that sort of stuff. I don't know how we find them. But if I could get you to do anything for yourself. Over the next couple of weeks, I want you to find the courage to come to the parade with us. Because what's funny is all the bickering and all the fighting We do it the people who think they're in charge aren't really in charge Mary Nick Elia Cesc, who was in charge, how you say his name in Poland, or in Czechoslovakia, or Romania or some godforsaken place, till the people revolted and shot on the side of the wall. And we're not encouraging you to go out and shoot these so called gay leaders.

J Jimmy Carper 22:58
No, no, no, no, no.

B Buddy Johnston 23:00

We're just telling you to show up and do this for yourself. Because this that's what it's all about. And Harvey Milk, has said it right, has said it. Right has said it correctly. It said it over and over and over and over and over again. There are a lot of people in charge. who think they have all

the answers. And they don't I certainly don't. And I never have said that I do. I do think the answers are out there as long as we work together. And I think what hurts us most as human beings is that everybody wants to be in charge. Believe it or not, they really do. There's something inside us Dr. Hart, Dr. Harvey Milk. Dr. Martin Luther King called it the drum major instinct. All of us want to be leading that parade girl. All our message for the last almost three years has been and will continue to be that everybody has to be out front. Everybody deserves our moment in the spotlight. Until we in a position of power can allow that to happen. It's not going to happen. And until you come forward, it's not going to happen. It's just like the women from wave said this morning people don't want to get involved. People are afraid to come forward. That's so true. And again, lesbian movement. And until you realize that we're screwed maybe or should I say we're not screwed? But there's so much happening and it's only going to be wonderful. So please come out and be a part of it. Rogers is going to read something to you at three in about seven minutes. That's called the men with the pink triangle. This book will be shared with you over the next 10 or 11 weeks. And what it is going to tell you is the history of the homosexual and how he was treated by Hitler and Hitler's Germany. And what you need to understand while you listen to this is that it was a law that allowed Hitler to put the Jews and the homosexuals and the blacks and the gypsies and everyone else he didn't like, into the gas chambers. And in front of the firing squads. There was a law, Hitler's law. That said it was okay to kill these people. One of our favorite law men, Jesse Helms is running against a black man. And we can only hope that brother helms will open his mouth and spew forth the hatred and bigotry and racism and homophobia that we know he carries deep inside his soul and make a complete fool of himself to help get this man elected and get him the hell out of the nation's capital. So send all your money to just kidding. We will hope and pray that this gentleman gets Jesse Helms out of there. Anyway, what else is happening baby? Longtime companion

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Jimmy Carper 26:45

is going on and Pride Week is right around the corner. Yeah, we urge everybody not not only just the parade, but all the wonderful events. There are some wonderful and there's a lot of free advance, which is very important because I was kind of looking over all the events and girl I don't even have enough credit left on my credit cards. If I wanted to attend everything. You can kind of run into some bucks there. What was that? There's there's many wonderful free events. And surprisingly enough, those are the ones that are normally lightly attended. Yeah.

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Buddy Johnston 27:23

And listen, if you don't have any idea what's going on during Pride Week, and you'd like a copy of the events guide. We have some little pocket guides that I'm sure Jack and Deborah left for us, which are great they fold up and fit right in your wallet.

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Jimmy Carper 27:39

That's the size of a business card when it's all folded up. Or you can always call the gay and lesbian switchboard.

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Buddy Johnston 27:46

Oh, Mary, you keep throwing a plug for that switchboard. We can't we mail out one of these guides

J Jimmy Carper 27:50

to somebody Well, we sure can. If you would like

B Buddy Johnston 27:53

a copy of this Pride Week Guide which will give you all the events it's a little pocket guide. Call us right now at five to six 4000 Or five to six KPFT and we'll send to you okay. Now then, if you're that policeman was listening, it has been listening and continues to listen and you want to call me and you have that pencil ready the numbers five to 94636 Did you get it? 5294636 Okay. What else Roger looks like he's ready to go. You're ready to go. Are you ready to go? Sure. I am. Wasn't that a beautiful wedding with a baby? I was beautiful. His sister Jimmy I wish she could have seen her look gorgeous. And they had an art I harvest. Is that what what she was harpus that played the harp relative a piano or oh how pretty it was so beautiful. It's such a beautiful wedding. Anyway, are you ready to read? Shriram Okay, the men with the pink triangles coming up in just a second. So stay with us after hours. KPFT Houston 90.1 F m that is where we are right? We give me that look like girl. Where are you? Why isn't that work?

J Jimmy Carper 29:29

Yes.

B Buddy Johnston 29:34

Oh, well. You wanted to hear this. We'll do this. You want to hear this?

J Jimmy Carper 29:39

You know, we're getting lots of calls. People are calling up to say that. Boy, I'd like this guy and I love him and women calling up

B Buddy Johnston 29:50

short, hairy men call them to fall in love with me.

J Jimmy Carper 29:53

So it's kind of it's it's nice to know that finding each other

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Buddy Johnston 29:59

Yeah. Give me boys and girls women and men we'll be back in just a minute. Right? Right every Saturday night at midnight on after hours we play music

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glad to be the guy

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Buddy Johnston 30:49

after hours every Saturday night at midnight, right here on KPFT Houston 90.1 FM

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This is a test this station is conducting a test of the Emergency Broadcast System. This is only a test

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this is a test of the Emergency Broadcast System. The broadcasters have your area in voluntary cooperation with federal state and local authorities have developed this system to keep you informed in the event of an emergency. If this had been an actual emergency, the attention signal you just heard would have been followed by official information news or instructions. The station serves the Houston Galveston area. This concludes this test of the Emergency Broadcast System.

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32:11

Hi, this is Craig Washington, reminding you that none of us are free until all of us are free. So keep listening to after hours. KPFT Houston 90.1 FM. Okay, girl

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Jimmy Carper 32:28

Woo, say buddy. I really like that promo you made.

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Buddy Johnston 32:34

What do you mean?

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Jimmy Carper 32:35

 JIMMY CARPER 32:00

The one that says after hours we play music and you play all of those things that we play?

 Buddy Johnston 32:40

Are you saying this? Are you trying to throw me but no, I'm

 Jimmy Carper 32:43

not trying to throw you on thinking about other things. Well, I've been you know, I've been wanting you Wishing you to make a promo now for a couple of years and just haven't been pushing in the right place. Evidently not. Someone found a place to push but I really like oh, I just showed up down here one night. Yeah, when I stopped pushing you made one Yeah. Okay.

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Are you tired of taking your loved one to the dump?