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SPEAKERS

Jewel Gray, Speaker 13, Speaker 27, Speaker 11



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with wigs on fire, I've been down here to promote wigs via the airwaves. It's a nonprofit organization. And it's the gist of it is we hold a party once a year, and invite a few 1000 of our favorite and closest friends. And we get all these people together in crazy costumes. Wigs are optional, actually that wigs are preferred, but not no, not mandatory. And



J Jewel Gray 00:43

tell me about your, your icon, your little idol, your little mascot. The little troll dolls that you give, oh, the troll, troll dolls.



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If you know, it was just like, its embryonic stage. And it's just like, you know, and and basically, it's Dolls. It's not just troll dolls. This this, this last year was the troll dolls. Okay. We've had Barbie dolls, and Homer Simpson dolls, and just all kinds of dolls that get in there. And the gist of it all is we raise money with this party. We go out in the beginning and the middle of the year, and we go out to individuals, businesses, whomever and say, Look, we're putting on this party, and it's to raise money for our designated charity. And you know, we'd like for you to sponsor and with membership dues and sponsorships, we pay for the party up front, nobody else can say that. We pay for our party upfront. So we don't charge any door proceeds back to ourselves and put them back and say, Oh, well, we're, you know, we're using that for expenses that we incurred. All the door, take everything from every, all the proceeds from admissions tickets, you know, and so forth. Go to our designated charity. And the past few years, our designated charity has been the assistance fund. We had a great year, this last year, we had a take well in excess of \$9,000. And a neat thing that good friend and great volunteer, Chris Alexander put together was a silent auction with local artists being featured. And we had all of this art up on up on the walls at the Helmsley warehouse. Wonderful. It was really beautiful, really great.

J Jewel Gray 03:01

So that's another part of your commitment to the community and volunteering, doing your services. I mean, your organization sounds like a pet organization these days the the under my wing kind of organization that I enjoyed being out the gay pride parade last year and being pelted with the little the little troll dolls, the tiny ones and yeah, anyone? Yeah. Oh, God, I love that. And or was it the year before? It was it was a year before?

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Well, it may have been last year as well, because I think we did it both years.

J Jewel Gray 03:36

Whatever it was, I had a child with me and I caught two of these and I didn't have to give mine away because I had to. So I have one sitting on my shelf at home.

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I can't be for sure. Because remember last year I was riding with the switchboard. Oh, that's right. That's right. Last year, I was doing a lot of the public relations work for switchboard, right. And one of the things that we were honoured with by Pride Week was that we were designated as the honorary Grand Marshal. And so we really put together a very good team of volunteers that marched with us and the officers got a convertible combined. And so we were like 16 Lime, whereas wigs was way back there. So, of course, you know,

J Jewel Gray 04:31

I just remembered I was making lasagna for 500 While the parade was going on. I remember this last year was the year before was the year before. Yeah, when I was videotaping. Remember when I was taking off now I was with wigs that Yeah, yeah, I was videotaping that year. Well, I wanted people to get some idea who you were before we kind of moved on with the show. And and I think the best way to know a person is to know what they value and you obviously value group wigs on fire and I know how much you value the switchboard and the P equal involved in both groups and prod, we have some Pride Week and late little later we're going to read from the out and proud magazine, which is the Pride Week magazine, some current events that have been going on, and some interesting things that are happening in our city. And earlier we were talking about my next guest, who we've had here before. And you probably remember, I think, the last time he was here with me, I called him by another name the entire show. It's not like I don't know this guy, I see him every day. And I call him by the wrong name all through the show. And finally he correct me for those of you who call and we're going to talk a little bit with him because he's been out of town today during some of the things that are important to him that he finds time in his life to, to follow up on and commit to, and

one of those things was took a long drive today. Randy wants you to sit down that chair right there and talk to us about your trip today. And we'll talk a little bit about that and some of the other things that you're involved in. And where did you go today



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to New Braunfels



J Jewel Gray 06:11

to New Braunfels? What was going on there, and she needs to be there?



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Well, there was a meeting that an attempt was made to keep secret with some lesbian and gay leaders.



J Jewel Gray 06:22

And why was it something you wanted to participate? I mean, get involved in Randy.



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Well, it would there was a meeting with Senator Krueger, first of all, I would like to point out that not all of the lesbian and gay leaders tried to keep this a secret. In fact, there were two lesbian and gay leaders who I'd like to thank right now. For for really speaking out for us at that meeting.



J Jewel Gray 06:44

Are they out? Leaders? If they're out, you can go ahead and say, you know, thanks him by name if you feel like it,



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I'd like to I'd like to thank Chris bacon. And a nice Parker.



J Jewel Gray 06:57

Oh, nice. Was there two are involved in this? Well, good. Well, Randy, what that what I was looking for before I want to get into this is, why is it important to you? What in what capacity did you go there? And did you represent a group and did you go on your own? Or was it and

you went with other people? You told me earlier? You went with, like 12 other people?



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Right? Yeah, I went as I went as a member of backed up Gulf Coast. I've recently returned to ACT UP Gulf Coast. And I'm really just a new act as this is. This is the new active chapter. This is not affiliated with any previous active chapters. And I was I'm really I'm really impressed with the ACT UP Gulf Coast chapter. Somebody from ACT UP Gulf Coast called me yesterday. On my way to see Senator Krueger right before I walked out the door. By the way there did everybody know that Senator Krueger was in, was held held a press conference in Houston yesterday.



Jewel Gray 07:56

I knew it. I read about it. Are you mean like Friday yesterday, like Friday yesterday? Yeah, I knew it because I knew you were there. Randy keeps me involved. There was a press conference in town and what happened at that press conference? Randy, you were there in your capacity as an ACT UP person?



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Well, at the at the press conference, so first of all, somebody asked and recruiter of if he supported full funding of the Ron Wyden Care Act. Senator Corker responded, I'm not familiar with that act. And the person said Senator Kroger, you have never heard of the Ryan White Care Act. And he said, Senator Krueger said once again, I'm not familiar with that EQ.



Jewel Gray 08:37

Well, I guess if I guess it worked for Ronnie, I guess it won't work for Reagan. That's a good good thing. It could work for him.



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Just keep going Barry burying your head in the sand. Kruger is the guy



Jewel Gray 08:50

who the Democrats and and governor and Richard RICHARDS I want to say Annie Oakley, Governor Richards, and a lot of and a lot of gay people wanted in that position that to fill the hole that was left there by Senator Benson going to Washington to be on the cabinet. And Bob Krueger, Bob Krueger is the guy they picked to be there. And everybody was gung ho on off sports with this immediately. Except you I remember you fussing about it right from the start. And you brought me a list of voting his voting record over the last I guess 10 years. And it was atrocious. I was shocked. I was shocked that even Democrats not just gay Democrats or gay people in general, but just chin. Generally Democrats would want this man in that position. This

is a position of one of the greatest liberals in Washington I think, Lord Brent Benson not necessarily in his liberalism, but in his greatness. I think he's one of the great men in Washington. And he's that makes him therefore one of the great liberals. And to fill the seat, this man who's had this atrocious record, who recently did not vote against the immigration bill that was coming up, that would let the Haitians who are HIV positive in this country who are stranded on in some situation, where is it then? You know, you refer to it as the concentration camp.

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It's the US run concentration camp in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Yeah.

J Jewel Gray 10:33

And conditions are pretty horrendous. There. People are infected, and they can't possibly be getting adequate medical care in that situation. Anyway, and he voted against this. And he told us before he took this seat, wasn't it before as he was getting this seat, that he would vote for this, that he would help pass this he told the people that listen to him, Is that am I correct? In that?

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We'll see. Let's see. I've been having trouble getting any information at all from Senator recruiters office. They have refused to return phone calls. I've asked Senator Krueger himself direct questions about his voting record. He tells me he doesn't remember. He told me twice yesterday, he didn't remember about something. He has, he has lied to us. He has used our leaders. You know, he is used to the fact that our leaders are trying to be fair to everybody. And you know, we've seen people like this before.

J Jewel Gray 11:30

Yeah, he reminds me of the Johnson Democrats. Remember the Johnson didn't Kratts when Lyndon Johnson was the kind of Johnson Democrat who was very conservative. And really I don't know that I guess is close to being a Democratic Republican. As a as rent Ronald Reagan was a Republican, Democrat. He's really getting out there on the edge. And his voting record was pretty, pretty horrendous. I was totally surprised on the record you showed me in and I've talked, I've done nothing but talk about it since. But I understand that things have changed recently that he's not so favorite son anymore, that people are beginning to look at it. Even though people have a hard time listening. People have a difficult time hearing what you say they're beginning to listen. And because you usually are saying things that people don't want to hear in, that's about a good representation. Not that you distort the facts, but that you say things that they just don't want to hear. And after all, the people were beating the bushes about this. And then to find out this guy had a horrendous record. And he was not supportive, and he that he was lying. And he now he's dodging in front of everybody. Now everybody's getting on the bandwagon. And taking the position that you had that this man may not be the night that he should have been taking the chair that Benson and don't get me wrong, I don't

have this guy deified Benson. I know that he's a politician like the rest, but that he was taking this position, which I was looking at Benson's voting record a few moments ago. His record in and of itself is not very pretty actually. Let's see on what is it 1-234-567-8910 1112 Different times he voted out of 12 four times for issues that were positive for the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force positions. And at that it comes out to be about 36%, Phil Gramm. They were listening to both and Phil Gramm has 0% of writing. So we know that though Yeah, we know that though. But this guy is going to be sitting in the seat until the election. And I believe that I heard that the reason they picked this guy's because they thought he'd be the only one who could beat a Republican to keep this seat. When the election comes out next year and it next year, two years senators right

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or two year No. Senators or senators or six years. That's right sooner six year and Senator Krueger is up for reelection on my first

J Jewel Gray 14:11

Oh, really? Yes. Oh, well, maybe. Maybe that's why this is more important than it may seem on the on the surface that there is going to be an election and he better start backing up what he says or there'll be people like you've been in a store. And that's what you did today. Isn't that right now? We'll get back to what happened today. Yes, you drove up to new Bronxville, with other members of act up and beat on his door. I understand.

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Yes, we we heard from some people in the community that there was going to be a secret meeting in New Braunfels today. And it's my understanding that somebody was called and told not to tell act up where the meeting was going to be because, quote, they'll make us look bad. No. And so we Just whatever we heard that whatever the person who called me her that they decided that it would be a good idea for us to just go over there and paste in a recruiter visit as well.

J Jewel Gray 15:10

And you did, and we did and how that turned out.

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Senator Krueger was the most. And my opinion, Senator Krueger, spoke to us in a very patronizing way. He called our intelligence into question.

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Did he evade the issues?



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He evaded the issues. He evaded every issue that was brought up.



Jewel Gray 15:36

Somebody asked him specifically you say, I think you said Chris bacon asked him specifically about his policy on these. What was it we were talking about earlier? time or date when he was going to do something?



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Wait away when we crushed bacon, ask them specific screen when he would screen with the Houston game. And because, you know, I'm not trying to I cannot say what kind of experience the caucus has had. I can tell you about the experience that I have had, I have call center recruiters office 10 times, the only the last few times I've been able to talk to somebody, and he lied to me both times on the phone. And so, you know, in dollar reason that they wouldn't even let me talk to somebody the last the last two times was because I would not. I told him I would hold as long as they wanted me to. Okay, so then then at that meeting, then Senator Krueger said, then somebody asked him to recruit her. Senator recruiter, have you ever seen anybody die of AIDS? Have you ever seen anybody lose 30 pounds in two weeks, and be eaten alive from the inside out? And his answer and his answer, and his answer was my administrative assistant had a lover who I'm not sure of the exact quotes, I want to quote him, and he says to his administrative assistant had a lover who's something



Jewel Gray 17:11

like the old bigots. You say? Oh, yeah, I have a black friend. Right? Exactly. who's a friend of mine, Gardner, who's a friend of mine, Cook, who's a friend of mine made



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actually, actually, actually he said something about, he said something about that, too, from what I heard. Of course, I was. Well, I mean, let me let me finish the story first. Okay. And then then Senator Krueger. So well, let's be quite frank about those people in Haiti aids, as you said, quote, AIDS is a communicable disease. And I'm not going to let those people come over here and be drained our health care system. And I jumped up. And can I say this on the radio?



Jewel Gray 17:49

You're gonna use the P word. H word H word. Oh, yeah, you can say that.



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Okay. And I jumped up. And I said, I am a human. I said, I am not a drain on the healthcare system. I am a human being I have paid taxes. And you could just go to hell, Senator Krueger, and walked out of the room.



J Jewel Gray 18:09

He's gonna remember you, Randy. That's twice you cussed at him this week. And then he told me he's a damn liar. Friday, when he's here weren't.



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From what I understand. He didn't he didn't hear me Friday, but he sure heard me today, because I will stand in about three feet for him. I said, I said, Go to hell, Senator Krueger. And I



J Jewel Gray 18:25

believe we need more people to do this kind of stuff. And, and I know Randy pays a terrible price amongst his friends and peers, for being outspoken and vocal and angry, dammit, he's angry. And I know he pays a price for that. And I support Randy's efforts and those who are willing to go out there and confront these issues. I do it my way. Randy does it in the way that he does best. And I want people know that there are a lot of ways to do this. Randy has one. There are others. We need those that do it Randy's way and we need those who do it by sending their money into organizations that support the issues. And by supporting those politicians and those people in our community, who also take part and participate in the complaining that we are not being treated as equal people. We are not being given equal access to all services, and that it's about time things changed. And we're not going to get out of your face until you have to change it. Is that kind of what you want to say to people. Randy,



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that's my sentiment. This is this is my message. And I've been I've been thinking about this. Ken asked me asking people for a couple of weeks, and I've just made a decision. Brothers and sisters, this train is moving on. We're not going to stop we're not going beg, cajole harass another we're going to demand our rights. And we're gonna be treated fairly. We will get to the promised land in our lifetime. ACT UP, ACT UP, fight back fight AIDS.



J Jewel Gray 19:55

All right, we're gonna go to this way out almost immediately.



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President Clinton's showing leadership on this issue is giving a statement that this is not a disease to be feared

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we did not hire him to give our kids condoms and a tea from the homosexual lifestyle to be embraced to be celebrated to be a permanent curriculum says this is

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the first time in the country that we get it in writing from a chief fleet Word says that if police officers harass their fellow officers that are gay and lesbian or gays or lesbians in the community that those officers will be disciplined.

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I think it's vulgar to hate people. But I don't think that the ordinary working stiff has to be assaulted with the view that every kind of sexual perversion has to be dropped on his doorstep.

Speaker 27 20:53

Welcome to this way out the international gay and lesbian radio magazine. Lucia Powell is listening over her shoulder this week. And I'm Greg Gordon. Biblical queers be get Bedlam while Clinton lifts and other ban employment news is sunny in SoCal, but the big apples got too many worms, and will focus on a Floridian flurry of rights legislation. Those stories and more now that you tuned into this way out.

Speaker 13 21:23

I'm Cindy Friedman, and

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I'm Brian Nunez. With

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news wrap a summary of some of the news in or affecting the lesbian and gay community for the week ending February 13 1993. The campaign for equal rights for gays and lesbians in the Israeli military was sidetracked this week by a biblical outing. Al Dayan, daughter of the late Moshe Dayan heads a subcommittee of the Knesset, the Israeli parliament, which was formed to work towards full integration of lesbians and gays into Israeli society. Last week, her

committee held hearings in which gays and lesbians testified to their experience of discrimination in the Israeli armed forces. And this week, she argued their case in the Knesset, her Labour Party leader Eli Dianne, no relation says the party supports equal rights. But even he suggested she back off from her argument that the biblical King David was a gay man. Yell Diane sparked Bedlam in the Knesset with her interpretation of familiar passages in which David describes Jonathan as most dear to me, and says to him, your love for me was wonderful surpassing the love of women. The more conservative members began shouting, shall ya mom of the national religious party, for example, called out all of you are sick, all of you should be hospitalized. Meanwhile, acting as spokesperson for the government health minister Hi, I'm Ramon said that the military policy was under review, and noted that the Israeli armed forces have been more liberal than the US, including promoting gays and lesbians to senior posts.

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Speaker 11 23:04

The Irish Parliament's new ruling coalition last month announced its five year plan, which includes decriminalization of same gender sex acts. Ireland has long been under pressure from both gay and lesbian rights activists and the European community to finally repeal Europe's last sodomy law. The coalition government is comprised of the Labour Party, whose charter includes gay and lesbian rights and the Fianna Fail party, which has often promised decriminalization without ever following through. Irish gay and lesbian activists are said to be cautiously optimistic.

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Speaker 13 23:39

And there's further optimism that US President Bill Clinton will follow through on his campaign promise to lift the ban on immigration by people with HIV, although no timetable has yet been set. Karen ringan is legislative director of the AIDS Action Council,

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President Clinton showing leadership on this issue also is giving a statement that this is not a disease to be feared, if you know how to protect yourself and that he is going to be doing more and more and better public education so that people will not be afraid in the future.

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Speaker 13 24:15

When the Bush administration established the band in 1987. They cited the cost of caring for foreigners with HIV as one of the reasons for barring their immigration. That's really a laughable argument, again, Karen ringan, considering how people are treated that don't have health care in this country.

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I mean, this is not the model country that you would come to if you didn't have money and you want it to be taken care of in terms of your health. The reality is that every person coming into the United States must pass a test that says that they will not become a burden of the state

the United States must pass a test that says that they will not become a ward of the state. That's true that people come in with cancer coming in with heart disease or if they're healthy. In fact, if they become a public Ward within five years, they could be deported.

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Speaker 11 25:00

hoopla continues over Clinton's plan to lift the other ban, the one preventing gays and lesbians from serving openly in the armed forces. There was much ado about nothing this week when the New York Times reported that General Colin Powell, who is termed as head of the Joint Chiefs of Staff ends September 30. was going to resign earlier because of this issue. Powell later clarified that he'd only intended to leave a few weeks early in order to resettle his family. The rumor did lead the White House to report Clinton's desire to have Powell serve his full term, with Powell responding that he'd be delighted to do so. Powell told the national TV audience, I'm not in any conflict with the administration over the plans, and I'm not planning to retire early as the result of any conflict.

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Speaker 13 25:45

But the action of a federal judge in Washington state seems to differ from Clinton's plan for the interim period before the ban has officially ended. US District Judge William Dwyer this week ruled against openly gay Navy Petty officer Mark Phillips, who had hoped to delay his administrative hearing until the ban was lifted. Although Phillips contended his constitutional rights would be violated if the Navy discharged him for coming out. The judge found that the hearings would not create irreparable harm. The administrative panel recommended Phillips for discharge based on his declaration of homosexuality, recommendation, which now goes to the Secretary of the Navy and then to the Department of Justice.

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Speaker 11 26:30

Last week, we reported the case of another gay us sailor David Carpenter, who had landed in the brig as the result of having jumped ship to care for his lover who was dying of AIDS related illness. Carpenter still believes there was no other way he could have left the service at the time, and there was no one else to provide the round the clock care his love are required. After 51 days of imprisonment, Carpenter has been released and given an other than honorable discharge instead of being court martialed. While he was in the brig carpenter lost his job, his car and his home, but he told the press to be free and have it all behind me is worth it. As he was being released, carpenter shouted, today is the Navy's day, but tomorrow will be the homosexuals day.

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Speaker 13 27:16

Gay and lesbian rights remain controversial in Oregon, and one state legislator there is trying a novel approach to protecting them. Oregon was the site of the defeated ballot initiative measure nine who sponsors Ion Mae bong and the Oregon Citizens Alliance have announced new and expanded efforts to eliminate gay and lesbian rights and a number of Oregon counties and cities and in some other states as well. The city of Springfield Oregon has hired lawyers to

fight the American Civil Liberties Union's challenge to its local version of measure nine, but many of these battles could become moot points. Oregon State Representative Jim Edmondson has introduced a state measure. That's almost the reverse of Colorado's controversial amendment to while the Colorado measure prevents local governments from protecting gay and lesbian rights. Edmondson 's proposal would deny local governments the power to pass legislation that discriminates on the basis of sexual behavior. Only behavior specifically defined as criminal and punishable under state law could be described as deviant or unnatural and local ordinances.

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Speaker 11 28:27

Maryland's gay and lesbian rights measure was aborted by a state senate committee in late January. Three hours of testimony that ran 10 to one in support of the bill ended in a six to five committee vote against it. Sponsor Janice pit, Giannini hopes for a better response next year when some state legislators will be up for reelection.

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Speaker 13 28:48

The New York State Legislature first considered a lesbian and gay rights bill in 1971, and has yet to pass one, but this year's version is seen as having a better chance than any of its predecessors. The measure would add sexual orientation to classes protected by New York State civil rights law from discrimination and employment, housing, public accommodations and education. Last week, the bill was passed by the full assembly for the first time. This week, Roy Goodman became the first Republican to introduce lesbian and gay rights legislation in the state senate, where Republicans are the majority party, openly lesbian Assembly Member Deborah Glick believes Republican state senators may be influenced by the public's negative reactions to the homophobia displayed at the Republican National Convention.

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Speaker 11 29:42

With St. Patrick's Day only about a month away New York City's annual parade is again in question. The liberal St. Patrick's Day committee sworn to provide an inclusive event has given up its parade permit. It seems the committee had stepped in only to fill the vacuum left by the longtime traditional sponsors. The ancient order of Hibernians and they have bruneians Now say they want the parade back. The Hibernians continue to be embroiled in court battles began two years ago. Over their refusal to allow Irish gays and lesbians to march as a unit. Mayor David Dinkins said applications will be accepted from groups interested in sponsoring the 1993 St. Patrick's Day parade. I remain hopeful that there will be a parade on Fifth Avenue on March 17. And that it will be a successful and inclusive event.

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Speaker 13 30:28

And finally, if you thought open gays and lesbians in a St. Patrick's Day parade caused an uproar. Imagine the scene in South Africa's Bow Valley. The 14 year old project of 60s pop singer Beau Brummell Bow Valley is an 80 acre country retreat with 100 timeshare bungalows, and things were going pretty well there until last month. While there are other conflicts

between majority shareholder Brummel and the other shareholders last month is when he announced the retreat was open to blacks and to lesbians and gays. Now 41 of the 100 units are up for sale. The shareholders are angry that what had always been portrayed as a family place could now be a gay resort. And yes, one concern is that communal showers, but showers are really the least of it because Bow Valley is South Africa's only nudist colony.

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Speaker 11 31:29

That's news wrap for the week ending February 13 1993. compiled and written by Cindy Friedman.

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Speaker 13 31:35

Follow the news in your area and informed community is a strong community for this way out. I'm Cindy Friedman.

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And I'm Brian Nunez.

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We sexuality is abnormal and perverse. Do you really want your children infected with this curse? The amo fascist army is marching through your state. We need to stop it in its tracks before it gets too late. Now will the homosexuals powerful elite, they're taking over schools and infiltrating the police. And they make all the money out. They're out to get our kids. They spread disease and sodomy and they have sex with squids. There's nothing more disgusting than homosexuality. God made Adam. Adam and Steve. Homosexuals are the work of Satan. They're the cause of all the trouble all over this.

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Many people don't believe in the devil. But I being a Christian I do. I believe that the Bible clearly stated there is a devil and that he tried to deceive us and trick us. And I believe he has deceived the homosexual community in believing that their lifestyle is right.

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Speaker 27 33:18

Employment news from the east and west coast of the United States provide contrasting

outcomes this week in Los Angeles and openly gay police officer has won a five year battle to get his job back. But in New York City, there's no more big apple for Schools Chancellor Joseph Fernandez outraged at Fernandez for his policies on AIDS prevention and tolerance for gays and lesbians. conservative Christians mobilized last week to force Fernandez into the unemployment line. Laura Seidel reports.



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Outside the hearing room, people were anxious to make their opinions known to the hordes of media waiting for the school board's decision. William Alfonso, a father of two from Staten Island, argued with New York City Congressman Charlie wrangle contesting the right of the schools to teach values he opposed, we did not hire him, and we're not paying him when I say we should I pay taxes \$195,000 a year to give our kids condoms and teach them the homosexual lifestyle should be embraced should be celebrated. It should be affirmed that the curriculum said but that's just not so it's no one in there that says yes and no. And there's nothing in there and you know it that mandates that teachers have to do this and you know that 139 people on both sides of the issue signed up to testify. Many of those opposed to the chancellor opened by stating they were Christians. One woman began her testimony against him, saying in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Terry Maroney with the lesbian and gay anti violence project finds it ironic that the chancellor is being ousted for what amounts to two pages in his Rainbow Curriculum.



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Its primary goal is to teach tolerance respect for the different ethnic groups in our city and to teach children habits Back are all the different cultures in our city. And the the gay and lesbian segments of that curriculum are so small and so inconsequential that the I can hardly say the gay and lesbian community has even been terribly excited about them.



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Maxine McIntosh, the president of a black and Latino educational caucus points out that the chancellor has brought about successful innovation such as reducing the size of high schools and developing alternative schools, the issues around what's good for children in public schools is not being addressed. I think that people that are opposing the chance to contract it's based on some religious or philosophical point of view. Although Fernandez has had a difficult time in New York, he's still respected nationally as an educator. Before he came to New York City. He was praised for turning the Miami school system around, and rumors were widely circulated that he was being courted by the Los Angeles School Board and at least one other major city to come and be their school's Chancellor. I'm Boris Seidel in New York.



S Speaker 27 36:13

After months of protracted negotiations, the city of Los Angeles has agreed to reinstate gay police officer Mitchell Gibson and to initiate major changes in its personnel policies. After three and a half years on the job, Gropius and left the Los Angeles police force in June of 1988

because of harassment within the department, which ultimately caused him to fear for his life while on duty. They glued



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my locker shut that when Rock Hudson died of AIDS, they glued his picture to my locker. And when that didn't work when that type of restaurant didn't work, they refuse me a partner. When that didn't work. They refused to back me up in situations where my life was in danger.



Speaker 27 36:46

Grover says attorney Dan Strummer announced some of the terms of the out of court settlement, which includes financial compensation to grow person for his emotional distress



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the City Council has agreed to enact as law 16 pages of administrative regulations. It prevents all manner of invasive questioning. It limits the type of psychological testing. It prevents the type of harassment that can be developed as a result of innuendo. It requires massive training for LAPD both in the conceptual stage and in service. It makes homophobia a an offense which can result in termination from employment or exclusion from consideration for application. Mr. Robeson will be returning to the LAPD as a sergeant with full seniority and full pension benefits. There's going to be monetary compensation of \$770,000.



Speaker 27 37:45

The changes will also include active recruiting within the gay and lesbian community, our complaint process for those who feel they've been victims of sexual orientation discrimination, and the creation of a sexual orientation counselors position in the city personnel department.



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I think the agreements historic, again, Mitchell Grove, Assam, I've met with Chief Williams and this is the first time in the country that we get it in writing from a chief of police where it says that if police officers harass their fellow officers that are gay and lesbian, or harass gays or lesbians in the community, that those officers will be disciplined and this is what makes it bigger. The supervisors and managers of the department will be held accountable if they don't discipline them. Most importantly, I think it bears on the issue of gays in the military, which is an even larger picture than gays in the paramilitary. When you're in the military, you're there to protect the citizens United States. And when you're in the police department, you're there to protect the citizens of the city. The idea of somebody's conduct is a whole separate issue. When you're there you're there to serve the public



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that was openly gay police sergeant Mitchell Robeson soon to be back on the job in Los Angeles.



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I was sitting in the foxhole dodging all the shrapnel when former times to go when long came a general with word from the Capitol told me that it have to run so ask what the problem General said son I've heard you're queer. So you better ride along now didn't like anyhow gets out of here? Well, I've been doing a good job. My record compares to none. It's okay if I kill a man by the bed at night get caught love and wine and the moral of the story is to fight for love and glory. Nevermind and if you're straight or gay, but I'm proud to be queer. That's the reason that I'm here fighting for freedom in the USA



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gays and lesbians in the state of Florida are the subject of three different efforts to legislatively defined their civil rights. One of them would force a public vote on the issue in the next general election. Susan gage sorts out the various possibilities.



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A Republican candidate for governor has begun circulating a petition similar to the one that passed in Colorado calling for a sexual orientation amendment to Florida's constitution to repeal anti discrimination ordinances that protect the gay community. It says sexual orientation, status or preferences here by defining the status, condition, practice or preference of being heterosexual, homosexual or bisexual. It's been drawn broadly to pass muster. Anthony Martin has made several runs for political office in past years, and his theme has been consistent. No unit of Florida



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government may make or pass any law, ordinance or other form of legislation concerning sexual orientation status or preference protecting heterosexual, homosexual or bisexual status, condition, practice or preference. Any such laws previously adopted are hereby declared null and void.



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Martin has filed lawsuits against the city of Miami Beach and Hillsborough County, Florida over their human rights ordinances which includes sexual orientation as a protected group. He was also one of the vocal opponents of an attempt in 1990 to adopt the Human Rights Code with sexual orientation in South Florida's Broward County. Martin claims he isn't seeking formal endorsements of his petition drive, but he would say that a number of Christian groups are lining up to help him circulate the papers to get the needed 430,000 signatures to put the question before voters in 1994. Martin says his amendment doesn't endorse hate.



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I think it's vulgar to hate people. I certainly wouldn't condone that. But I don't think that the ordinary working stiff has to be assaulted with the view that every kind of sexual perversion has to be dropped on his doorstep with the authority and imprimatur of legitimacy conveyed by the government. I think I really speak for the middle of the road. And if I don't, they'll tell me,



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and there are at least two new members of the Florida House of Representatives who could do just that. One of them is Debbie Wasserman Schultz, a lawmaker from Broward County who has filed a bill with the legislature this year to prevent citizens or groups from overturning city and county civil rights ordinances by referendum when



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a city or county adopts a civil rights ordinance. It's relatively easy for a group that opposes it to simply get up and have signatures on a petition to put the referendum on the ballot and repeal the ordinance. And to me civil rights are sacred. They're inherent they're they're stipulated in our Constitution, and the will of the majority should not be imposed upon the minority that seeks that protection



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shelters bill would make the adoption or repeal of civil rights ordinances the job of local government officials only. It also would prevent cities within some of Florida's larger counties from opting out of anti discrimination laws. That means if Schultz his bill had been law before the last election, the American Family Association would not have had the opportunity to repeal sexual orientation in the city of Tampa's Human Rights Ordinance. Critics, most notably David Katyn of the AFA have slammed the Scholtz bill as anti voter and communist



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If a voter doesn't like the fact that the county commission or the City Commission implemented this ordinance, then just they don't have to vote for that person again,



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Schultz is careful not to call her bill a gay rights measures stressing that it covers any minority group, even overweight people who could potentially face discrimination. However, another South Florida legislator, Representative Mimi McAndrews of Palm Beach County hasn't shied away from the gay rights label. MacAndrews is sponsoring House Bill 737 A bill which puts sexual orientation into the Florida Civil Rights Code. Sexual Orientation had been in the Civil Rights Act of 1992, which went into effect last spring. But during the bills debate, lawmakers amended the reference out adding sexual orientation to the civil rights law would mean gays and lesbians who are denied a job housing or a seat in a restaurant because of who they are could seek damages of up to \$100,000 McAndrew says there's a lot of opposition to our bill, not only from conservative Republicans, but even the Democratic leadership of the Florida House.



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I know from what I read that the speaker does not appear to be in favor of this amendment at this time. I have not personally spoken to him. I realized that there are people who have problems with this issue. The fact of the matter is it's not going to go away. And you know, we can put it off this year. We can put it off next year. Sooner or later, we will have to deal with



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but if Anthony Martin and others opposed to gay rights succeed and their petition drive, I don't think



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that the ordinary working stiff has to be assaulted with the view that every kind of perversion has to be dropped by his doorstep



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civil rights for the gay community could be in danger of being made constitutionally null and void in November of 1994 for this way out this is Susan gage in Tallahassee