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So great superstar she is today. Thanks, guys.



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And how long how long ago? Was that been?



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That was about a year and a half ago when that happened,



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okay. Can you still listen to the show? Right?



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I Oh, yeah.



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Good got a longtime listeners, it's always nice. I know, I did the after our show about three and a half years ago for about six months. And at that time, the show was on from two to four every Saturday, well, every Sunday morning, really. And it was real hard sometimes to stay awake until 130 to be up here at two. But anytime we got that we most of our phone calls were from teenagers, they were from people 19 years old and younger. And you know, as old as 13, which was, it was amazing to me. But that always made it that much easier to get up and be at the show because it made me feel like you know, we were doing something worthwhile for everybody.



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And a large percentage of the people that I know that listen to after hours, they're much younger, and they're not out to their parents as yet. So they cuddle up with the Walkman when they're in bed when their parents walk in. And so I mean, there are a lot of kids out there and you might be listening on your walk I know



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for we've heard those stories, and we would have people call and say, you know, I'm underneath the sheets. Because I don't want you know, no one can know where I'm in the closet, you know, literally and because I've got to try to muffle the noise. So no one knows. So please



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call us because we'll listen to you, too.



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Yeah, definitely.



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You always have someone to talk to you, especially J and Trish you the first time you meet him. And by the end of the meeting, you know him and they're your friend and



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and then hatch is 9427002 that that poor child arm Sorry.



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Can we sing it along?



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Sure.



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That brings back memories of of a public public television station I used to watch called Zoom for about 15 to 20 Teenagers and they always got together and said things like that. He was always one. Since I was a teenager, I think when I was watching that, but that's been a long time ago. So who else has a story? They want me I do. Okay, and my name



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is Max. And I've been out for about four years all through high school. And I come from a really small town in central Texas. And I was the only person that the entire school was out. And I had this feeling that I was the only person in the whole world who was gay. And I was really sad for a long time. And then after, you know, after a while I became okay with it. And so now every time I go to hatch, and I see more and more people there, and I see more and more people who are coming out, it really makes me happy. Because you know, I know that I'm not alone. And I know that nobody has to be alone if they don't want to be. And so I just want to say that you know, nobody is



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okay. Especially in high school.



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They're all hiding in high school,



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everyone. And you know who you are.



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I guess I came out when I was a living. I'm 16 now, and



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you've been out almost as long as I have.



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She's cuter too. Well, thank you to my mom. And my mom's pretty open about everything. You know, I talked to her and said, Mom, I'm gay deal with it. And I lived through. It did. And she's like, whoa, huh? And she's sitting there like, what happened? What happened? You know, she's like, okay, and then she's like, started cussing and all this other stuff. And then she cried. And then she's like, okay, I'm fine now. So we're like, we're like friends. I'm talking about whatever I want to say to her. And she takes me to hatch when my stepdad won't give me the car. So,



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you know, nobody's alone.



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Don't forget that.



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That's great. Who else wants to talk? Okay,



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it's not it's not like a coming out story but with us, since a lot of bad stuff happened but it was all worth it because now it's better than Hi Sandy and Melanie and Jason. And anyway. It's happy now because we get to talk to her mom and she's, like joke about it and everything's so much better and it's good now, and I like it the way it is and ever since you Yeah, she supports us. And every Friday she comes home and like your y'all go into your meeting and we go every Friday and every time I go to hatch, I just I felt like, I want to get so involved and be an activist and all that stuff. And it's, it makes it a lot easier to be with your friends and, you know, come out to your friends and stuff.



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How old are most me?



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Probably average age 17 or



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I'm the oldest, I'm 24.



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You're one of the exceptions.



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I'm a film facilitator.



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Okay. Okay. Who else has a story? For me? I do have questions. So question before you go. Okay. What does happen when you come of age, so to speak? I mean, people just say, Okay, bye, you're out of the group can't come back or oh, what does happen? You know,



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we do have members who are like 2422. And they're not, I guess, officially members. They're more coordinators. They help along with the group correcting? Sorry, they are. They still do lots of things for the hatch. They're still very involved in the group.



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They coordinate like, yeah, they're fine people. But imagine



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if you had been with the group since you were, you know, 17 or something, and you stayed with it till you're 21 you are, you know, you'd probably become a facilitator. Right? Yeah. You know, and just help with it.



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You just can't lose family.



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It is like a family



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Oh, come on. Let I'm saying, Team queens, y'all want to say, I'm saying I'm gonna go want to sing I want



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to punch family. What are we gonna do? Okay. All right. 123, we got a call that we can make or leave the room. We got called in, someone called in and wants to know what the screening process for the adult leaders is? Maybe you can answer that for us.



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Pretty adult leaders. Yeah.



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what did the screening process, all you have to do is just pretty much call hatch and get in touch with one of the one of the one of the facilitators, and the number is 9427002. And they can pretty much give you the details when you call, you're probably going to get an answering machine right now. Is that right? Yeah. So if you want to do is maybe leave a message if you want, but if you don't want us to call you back, just call us up? Or tomorrow.



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hours. Okay, pause on the answering machine. We have the time that's best to call.



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Okay. So it's pretty much called the number. If when they



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call you back they're discreet? Yeah. No, they don't say we're from hatch the Houston area, you know, yeah, they're they don't. They don't say why they're calling you back. They just I'm returning that call.



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That number again, is 9427002.



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Okay, who else's story for me?



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I do. Hi, my name is Doug. And I like to say how to add lace. She's sick. And she's listening to. She's my best friend. But Well, right now. I'm starting to become best friends with my mom. And it's a little hard because she's still trying to understand and deal with my homosexuality. It's really hard for her. She came from a very straight family like most everyone else did. Yeah. And but she's been really good, really supportive. I'm glad she's there for me, you know, I have a relationship with Joe. And she loves him to death. And he gets to come over all at once. And we go out, we eat dinner together. And just a bunch of fun stuff. And take over.



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Yeah, and if you have problems with the parents, you can come and talk about Oh, yeah.



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I'd like to say something about about Doug's mom is I'm afraid of drugs. And so we've been over to his house and she's, she's never been, you know, rude or like, you know, like, you know, stay away type or anything. She's very, very nice. If anything, she moves she asked, you know, to for the vehicle. Yeah. She's very forward sometimes because she's, you know, still trying to deal with it. But she's really wonderful. And then I think a lot of parents are like that. I mean, when you come out to them, they're not nearly as freaked out about it as teenagers like to think



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I also want whilst I'm wanting to make it a point that I'm not all of our parents Know About us. So there are some of us here that that are having problems with, with not telling our parents just yet.



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Let's see there are people who are can come to you and talk about it and how you can come out to your parents easier if you don't even have to. You don't have to. A lot of people aren't, and they just come in. They're just friends. They're just going out with friends. And that's what

you're doing.



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If you feel it's not the best thing to do, like we had people from PFLAG come and they gave us a few not do this, do that, but like, helpful suggestions. And if your parents can like withdraw financial, I mean, any kind of help for you and stuff. Maybe it's not the best college. Yeah, college, things like that. But it's best when you're ready. Yeah. When you're ready, you do it. Oh, PFLAG PFLAG. Parents are Friends of Lesbians and gays. And they go and they talk. It's like, it's a support group for people who have people who can't accept that their parent their kids or friends are gay. And also people are Yeah, they they're trying to accept it. And what else? I guess they just kind of do what we support each other and, you know, just become friends, like little family and help each other.



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Okay, so I can answer this question. This is what happened to the old number that we had. Um, we changed it because we've grown so you know, so much that we had to get our own phone. This was this was through another, another service. Somebody else answered the phone for us. Now we've got our own phone number. It used to be five to 650 200. But now it's 9427002. Great. Okay.



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There's another question.



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What are the future fundraisers? Well, we're planning on having another Roller Skate Night at carousel? That's really not definite on the date, but you can be sure to look forward to another one of those and I do say attendance very fun. We have couples skating, and maybe some drag races and limbo. Throw gallop. Hokey Pokey, too. Oh, yeah. Hopefully.



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Requires dexterity though. Well,



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it doesn't take as long for y'all to heal broken bones as it does people like me though.



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Oh, but the funny thing is we're having the Eastern



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gonna wear a hat.



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He's too burnt



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out and like whoever has the coolest hat wins a prize.



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We gave mine away. Mine away. I wonder if we can get that back. Oh, please.



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If you want any information on that, just call



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listening to after hours. So KPFT 90.1. FM, Houston. And we are talking with hatch the Houston area team Coalition for homosexuals. And did I say that right? Yes. Lots of practice. And so who else has a story for me? Anybody.



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One of the things about advertising is in hatchings, our biweekly newsletter, we were fixing to start doing advertisements from local community. clothing stores, bookstores and whatnot. And if you need any information on that, please call us. We'll we'll get you information as quickly as you can. My story about coming out I was dragged out the closet. My dad is screaming



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we're bringing crowing



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hangar marks.



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My dad and I are standing up by the car talking and fixing go out at night. And he basically told me be careful because he knew that I was gay. Rodeo season didn't want me to get beat up. So it's pretty cool.



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My mom asked what was going on in my life and she really didn't mean the gay thing. She had no idea whatsoever and I just told her Well Mom, I'm gay and she was really shocked because you thought it was something totally different. So it's kind of fun



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Jamie got something that you want to say.



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I'm not out to my parents will I sort of am indirectly I mean, they're not blind. So they suspect but I engage male counterpart on special occasions. Paging anyway. But I am I did come out to my sister about two weeks ago. It's kind of a funny story. We were in Kroger I don't know all of a sudden the inspiration hit me I was standing by the fruits. Clothes close. No, we were I was flipping through the Star Magazine you know that rag and another Kristy McNichol story so I just busted out my said I'm Cindy. I'm a lesbian. She goes, No, you're not. And I go, okay. I gave her a chance I gave it to her. But when we got in the car, she asked me about it. And she asked me if I was being safe. And I was because I was it was. And I told her about hatch. And she said that whenever she comes in town again, because she doesn't live in Houston, that she would like to come to a meeting with me. So that was great.



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That's cool. And Chris says several of you laughed when she, when a friend asked her if she was being safe. And of course, lesbians are the least people likely to get AIDS. But unfortunately, there are a lot of other sexually transmitted diseases that lesbians are catching. I know I have a friend who recently moved to Washington State because she had a condition that the Houston weather and humidity and stuff just really irritated. But, of course, safe sex is something we should all be practicing. And I know we all know that. And if you don't know what that is, you need to call the AIDS Foundation of Houston. And it's Mr. Ashe Are you want to say a few words for us to take down to want to say a few words for us to lean into the table.



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I was leaving Charlie's after having soup. And I said you gotta turn on the program because the kids are on young people are on and I couldn't resist coming up and saying hello.



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Because j is one of the directors, co directors of the hatch father.



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Older brother.



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That's right to try to make that gap as narrow as you can. Right? Well, okay,



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two weeks, I'll be 53.



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Right. There you go.



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Um, someone says something about how you were surprised to see other people from your high school at hatch. And the first time I went, I saw two people from my school, and I was surprised and they were all trying to hide from me. Um, and then I went back to school. Well, you know, later, after about two weeks on, now, I know two more people. And last year, I knew one person. There's just lots of people you never even suspected. And you're all friends now. Yeah, you just go round together.



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Bruce, are you noticing how many young people here are couples?



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Well, I've sort of j and Jane just tried a couple of down there. I'm not quite sure about that one. But we've got just cold. We've got 10 People here. And there's three sets of couples. So that's three out of three obvious sets of couples. So 123 Yeah, I think I can still count. Okay. You've

been together? A year and a half. All right.



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Did I tell you about



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three months? Five months,



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five months? Did it grow? Got it? Oh, god.



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Did they tell you about the first parent who came to our Friday night meeting last Friday? No, you know, the facilitator who worked with that group of eight or nine young people. And the mother has said that she's she's a mother of three sons that in her lifetime, it was the most special hour she had ever spent in her life. That's, that's great. Write



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some real positive feedback. You see it you had something to say, right? I did. Did you? You said it okay.



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Yeah, I did. I was I wanted I wanted to say something about being surprised to see people from my high school. And my very first time meeting, I saw this girl I went to high school with and I had lunch with her every single day, for several years through high school. And I never knew she was gay. And she never knew I was gay either. And we were like, both totally surprised to see each other there. And now we're very close again. And that was really made me happy. That's great.



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Tell them we're from what part of the city? Sure. Yeah, we're from Playa Lake.



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We're from I'm from Alvin. So Jerseyville



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I've been to like, okay, so, I mean,



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from everywhere, everywhere.



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Northwest out in suburbia. Okay. I'm out in the boonies.



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By and I you were saying a few minutes ago about how odd it was or how strange I guess it was to to see other people from your high school there. And it's, I know, I've I've heard adults say, you know, well, I really want to go to this bar, but I'm afraid if I go this bar, I'm gonna see somebody that I work with there. And then they're gonna know and it's like, well, why else would they be there? And it's like, let's get real. So I mean, they're either friendly, or or they're one of us, so it doesn't matter anyway. Any any final words you'd like to say?



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You're not alone. Nobody is alone.



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And everybody attaches your phone number



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number one more time.



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The phone number is 9427002.



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Okay, let's do that course again

Okay, let's do that course again.



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9427002. And that's



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hatch, which is yes. And the address is post office box 665-746-6574, Houston, 772666574. So I'd like to thank everybody for being here tonight. And we'll be looking forward, I'm sure we'll have you back again, sometime, maybe in another year or so. Maybe sooner if you've got something real special going on. So thanks again for coming, everybody. And I think we've got a little outfield blues queued up in there. Oh, one better world from the album up. And the group I think is ABC. Before that, we heard Grace Jones doing Levine and Rosae. And before that, we heard Romanowski and Phillips, singing outfield blues from their album, I thought you'd be taller. And i Wow. All the energy around here is I believe on drains, like major fried. But that was that was a good interview. Like this, especially thank Jim Vaughn for helping me on the board for me. So I could be in the mob in there and, and really be a part of the interview process. Because it definitely makes it all more real. It's hard to get 12 people in that little room, but it's so much fun. That's true. And luckily they were all sitting down and not physically bouncing as much as they were mentally mounts. And they had these phones lit up like a Christmas tree you are listening to after hours a continuing tradition here on KPFT 90.1 FM, Houston, we've got this way out coming up at 130. And just a reminder again that next week, this way out, it's gonna start at 120 and it'll air at 120 from now on. We are on from midnight till 3am. Now at our request, station management concurred with us that we could probably do a much more quality show if it was only three hours long. And we we feel like we can still bring you the same amount of information and hopefully make a lot better show and my body is trying to figure out what its gonna do with that



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extra hour.



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What our minds gonna do with it. I'd also like to thank Mr. Jim Vaughn for fixing our clock. Now ticking in we'll probably tune into the BBC while we're listening to this way out and see if we can catch the time or something so we can find out exactly what time it's supposed to be. But you are listening to after hours. And we do have this way out coming up in just a few minutes. Right now we're gonna listen to a small town boy from the age of consent album by Bronski be