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I have to interject there. But I have, I'm not a computer person. But what I have seen leads me to believe that the one thing that computer is is not good for is grammar and spelling.



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Well, it depends on what program software you have. And you're right. You know, I agree with you that, you know, I use a program, a software program, I push a button, it says you misspelled this word, or it says, this is a run on sentence. And I go back and change it. But you know, it's not a matter that I would have known that if I hadn't sat down, looked at it, it's a matter of it. Because of what I was doing. It was just more expedient to do it with a computer than do it myself. But I think that truly I've always thought that was a waste of time anyway. I've always thought that I always said, Well, there's a dictionary why not? Well,



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you know, language is a funny thing because it changes constantly over time spelling another thing that usage meanings that dilutes



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that's another thing that you talk to the English they think we they, they really snarl at our English they really do they think we're it's all communication trash over here. Talk. Trash English. Try to listen to a Cockney. It really well, you got something to play here.



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I sure do. Anthony from northwest Houston called in a long time ago and wanted some new eraser and I'm really happy to play it.





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And I'm happy Anthony is listening. Anthony. You need to tell some of your friends to call us. Yeah, that's right. Tell your friends about us. Don't keep this KPFT and after hours a secret. Tell your friends tell him to listen. Have a party.



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That listen. Coming up. June the 28th is the pride parade. Yeah, can't wait. It's gonna be wonderful that way and it'd be wonderful. I went to a luncheon today. The proximity seeking volunteers, and because the Grand Marshal male Grand Marshal, they invited me had a great time. It's gonna be great. I get my own convertible. Ooh, yeah, I'm planning the outfit. And I said, you know, you can decorate the car if you'd like.



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Well, how many guys does that mean? How many buff guys does that mean?



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Well, you know if I do that, nobody's gonna see me. Oh,



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yeah. They're gonna envy you.



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There's gonna be so much fun nine o'clock at night. Oh, God, I



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can't wait. That's gonna be exciting. Yes, yes. So night night, there's something there's such a romance about braids at nights and the lights and the, and the people in the streets. And there's just something very romantic about that. And I don't mean like, romantic, but just Yeah, like that of novels romantic.



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But that's great. And I'm looking forward to it. And so Anthony, I hope you can be there. And all your friends. That's right, and all your friends. So this is a song that Andy sang last night, as he wrapped his arms around Vince Clarke. It's called in my arm. I'm



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sorry, I missed it.



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Who just for you, Anthony, both songs that you requested. They



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would say I like that, who?



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That was the next song cover. Don't say Your love is killing me and in my arms. Just for you,



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just for you. But you know, the one other thing I wanted to add about this is, you know, who have all this talk that we're doing, you know, who's making all the money off this these biotechnical? corporations who are the same people who make all the money off of medicine? And



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oh, gosh, yeah, in any situation, you have to look at the economic and who's making the money. And you



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know, they're gonna just as just the way they charged \$100 for an AIDS pill. They're, you know, ripping people off left or right about that. So there's going to be a lot of you know, this is going to cost in the front. Yeah. Before it pays off in the long run for sure.



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My protease inhibitor costs \$150 a week. A week.



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That is ridiculous. And you got insurance? No, yeah. And that's the other part. You know, it's just this ridiculous. It's the money and the politics behind that money having that great big

just it's ridiculous. It's the money and the politics behind that money having that great big those lobbyists. Oh, I'm just, you know, I was Taos. I'm on my lobbyists kick this week. You know, after Hurricane Andrew in Florida. I saw this report, I guess it was two weeks ago on one of the television stations, one of those news magazines, where, you know, Andrew came was Andrew devastated Homestead, Florida. And I mean places there. People are still putting back their houses. I mean, still, and it's been what, five years now? Four years, five years, a few years and they're still putting their houses back Brick by Brick board by board nail by name. No, but you know, the FEMA money has been all doled out well, so that you know, restaurants got \$800,000 to do something to their restaurant and it was hardly touched one beach in outside of Miami who you know literally was not damaged at all. I mean, got \$60,000 of that money to build Art Deco. Lifeguard stands out there while you know this other this man in Homestead is living in his car. And it's, you know, little bitty 12 by 12 trailer with his four kids trying to rebuild his house. And I was like, yeah, it has it alone. That's right. And I was just like livid. Because, you know, this is lobbyists. This is politics. You know, the money goes with money. And if you're a little guy and there's you don't you can't afford to buy a lobbyist and you're just gonna have to do it statistic by state just hate I hated it, too. And I thought it you know, if, if in I believed, wrong, wrong. I believe that when Clinton took office that that was one of the things he was going to be working on, is cutting that kind of shit. stuff off. Gloves. Okay, I'm so mad about this cutting that kind of stuff out, you know that, you know, \$800 for toilet seat \$600 for you know,



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you know, we're idealists? Yes, we really are. I like to think that, that all these programs that really are needed, are gonna help the people who really need them. But as soon as you Institute any program, there are people out there who are looking at ways to take advantage.



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That's right, take advantage for there and then they don't need it. They don't need you don't need the keyword is in ED, they don't need it. This man with his kids need it and he can't get it. This is how this restaurant, you know, had a back patio post blown out and got \$800,000 for it. And the beach literally, you know, had no damage at all got, you know, \$60,000 put up. Lifeguard stands and this guy is sitting there with his kids and you're looking at this guy thinking, what went wrong? What went wrong when a restaurant, it's \$800,000. Now if he'd been blown away, I wouldn't say a word. But it wasn't and it's a high brow restaurant this man could never afford to go to in the first place. And the beach is a place that you know is a kind of a secluded rich area, little beach. And it just it just made me ill and I thought cheese, you know, it was Shakespeare said take first take all the loggers out and shoot them. Kill them. No, no, no, before you kill the law, just kill the lobby. And I really I really thought that Clinton was going to do something about that now with all his his his troubles in office now about his campaign contributions and stuff. I see that that was that was kind of lame. I know all you Republicans out there who are listening, all three of you that are listening to us right now. Are gonna be going yeah. See, we told you we don't. Actually I know there are a lot more gay Republicans than I would like to think that I would like to think, to me, that's like, saying military intelligence gay Republicans.



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It's people with value systems. And



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then yeah, their pockets. Pockets. Yeah, exactly. All right. And their value system is in their mind



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lover of 19 years is a gay Republican, and he values economic policy. But that's because



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he has he has the wherewithal that to protect himself from a lot of the the a lot of the negative stuff that the people who don't have the money, that's absent, right. And he wants to keep it that way. And that's where he's



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got the economic stuff that protecting that the human rights thing doesn't touch, right?



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To buffer. It's a buffer buffer. And I see that and I understand that with people like that, but I think that and you know, I think I miss Stanley once or twice. But I know him, as well as I know some people that I've known all my life through you. And I know that he's a good man and, and a con man. But I know some other people that I was talking to this guy who runs a place up north of here, he has a little spread of North Eric calls a little spreads like 16 or 20 acres or something like that. And he's a gay Republican. And he, he and I get into this little jostling match every now and then about, you know, well, wait a minute, what about you know, if you've got yours, what does it hurt to help those who don't? He says, but I got mine. I want to protect it. I see. But what would it hurt now that you have yours to help those who don't? He says, Well, you know, if they get theirs and they'll be competing for mine. I said, No. If you've got tears, what does it hurt, you know, hurt and it's a constant battle, but I love in



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case it's the idea of having enough to cover any emergency that comes along. And in his old he's older than me, and he's looking at a time when he's not going to be able to bring in the amount of money he's bringing in now. And I understand this. Yeah. This is a man who grew up During the Depression,



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and that's a, that's a hoarding that kind of Yeah, mentality, you know, you keep you pull in as much as you can, and you keep it because some days the bottom is going to drop out of the world. And it's not a maybe it's a Sunday it will. Yes. And that's right. That's the thing that people during that time learned who said, it will. It's just a matter of time. And the truth is, it may be it may be way after you're not here anymore, but yes, eventually it will bottom out again, you know, people talking about the market now. So, you know, up, it's the record breaking, it's this, it's that, yeah, all it takes is one, you know, you know, speculation that you know, things not looking good. And before you know it that you know, it could be really boring bottom out again, to the point of Black Tuesday or Black Monday, you know,

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there are people like me, gosh, I have \$10 in my checking account, where can I spend it?

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Do you know you could be arrested on the street for loitering? If you don't have \$10? In Your Pocket? No, sir, you can be arrested for loitering if you don't have \$10 in your pocket. And I say you know what? Our credit card, right? That puts me loitering 99% of time I'm on a streak. It's I don't have \$10 I know where to borrow \$10. But

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you heard anything more on this cloning thing? Well, I

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just thought it was interesting that maybe we should give it some thought. And you know, what I like to do is kind of, you know, like we did last time I was here we talked about the gay Holocaust. And you know, what I like to do is just throw things out there so that you know, a little more than you knew yesterday and you think a little more about things that you might not have thought about yesterday think

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of it is think about all aspects. Just don't jump at. Oh, the cloning thing. Oh, yeah. You know, the

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egg. Like we said, that's not really a good word. No, not a good what's the forest most extreme possibility of the of the science that we're talking about?



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When when you say clone people think of a xerox copy. Exactly. And that's a mirror image with no brain? That's not it? That's no, that's not it. Just think of all of the other possibilities.



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That sci fi gene, you know, I was gonna say Gene Roddenberry, Arthur Clarke said, that's not even science fiction, because he's a real prude when it comes to science fiction. He said, That's not even science fiction. It's just, you know, TV, it's what, you know, our generation has done to, you know, television, movies and clones, and all this stuff has made it seem like a negative possibility. But the real possibilities, the things that are going to affect us are the things that we were talking about the grains and the human skin and Miss right limbs and having children, those things are really going to affect us. I doubt seriously that will I doubt seriously that we will ever clone a human being? Probably I doubt it. I know somebody, somewhere will but I'm talking in a in a, in a mass kind of way. I don't think that that will happen. You know, I'm one of those people that says if it can be done, somebody will do it. And it can be done. Somebody somewhere will do it. I mean, you know, it's like Frankenstein, somebody, somewhere will do it. It will be a disaster.



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Remember the controversy over the first test to Baby All right. It was unbelievable.



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And now look, they're doing it all the time. Every day. It's all that? Yes. So that. But I think that as a general rule, we won't do that because of the problems that come you know, ethically and, and morally, not that I had those problems, but I think genuinely speaking, that they can be there's a lot a lot to be said for those.



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And there's a lot of people with deep religious convictions that have to really think



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through so us exactly reducing a life without God, you know, without any any spiritual, holy intervention, that kind of stuff. And you know, right now the world is run by people who are either very religious or spouse that they are very religious, and will try to you know, I was watching something tonight says these guys were cutting each other. Have you seen this? weapons of mass distraction on HBO? Yeah. It's about these two great media moguls, who want to buy a football team. And they both want to cut each other's throat to get this football team. And they step on 10,000 Little people to do it. I mean, they ruin lives. They send their little spies out to run and dig up all the dirt they can about people. And then they publish it in their

little media magazines, you know, the Tattler in the star, those kind of, you know, the globe. And they just destroy people in their path so that they can ego. It's kind of like Trading Places. Remember, that was Eddie Murphy, where the whole thing started with \$1 bet between the old man and they ruined. Danny backwards life, well, that's the kind of way I see it, you know, somebody somewhere is going to be doing it and then because they can, and they're going to they're going to use it as a because they can say because again, and I don't think anybody's gonna buy into it as generally speaking. I don't believe some mass, you know, some Qaddafi is going to start breeding mass masses of superhuman warriors, anything like that I don't believe it's gonna happen. Well, you know, that's the fear. That's the bottom line fear is that somebody would get old as technology and start making, you know, superhuman, that's warriors with, you know, leather skin and



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the Nazi thing, the Aryan race the whole thing. Yeah, no, no, no, because that's



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what they see the potential as, you know, the same as your splice splicing in these plants that, you know, that they can withstand more cold, and, you know, they grow better in this temperature and that they, you know, stronger stems that they can eventually breed into by cloning or using the DNA, they can make people who have tougher skins, you know, so they can withstand, you know, bullets and things like that \$6 million man all over again, right. It's just not gonna happen like that.



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But it's something to think about.



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It's definitely something to think about. And something to remember that, and then a couple of years down the road, it's going to be a political issue. It will be a political issue, you will be asked to vote based upon things of this nature, you know, cloning issues, not cloning issues. Let's go back to the the the gene issue saying issue. Reproduction issues. Yeah.



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And all the good parts here, right? We're straight couples who cannot have children are able to have children and same sex couples to have their own children already



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on the floor. There's been bills to ban. Any experimentation is manufactured. People in

England, actually Scotland, announced that they knew this. There were bands going up the next day that there would be no research into this direction. There we no thinking right? No thinking it's just fear overnight. Yeah. And you know, there's no way you can see the possibilities of this overnight, or even the terrible negative possibilities have it overnight. But the next day, they were already telling them, they might in fact, the next day, they couldn't get paid. They had already drawn their money out and said, Look, if you take this, if you do this any further, you're not going to get this money that you used to have in the bank, the next day, their money was gone. Just to make sure that they knew that we're pulling the strings, and you're not going to do this. It was a really sad thing. When you when you hear that somebody has done something this miraculous, yeah. And then you know, the next day, they're being told all around the world don't do this anymore. As matter of fact that it may be in some places that they won't even be able to do this with animals anymore, because it went up so quickly. Whereas now they're starting to sit back and look at the possibilities and think well, maybe not so



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well, you're listening to after hours career radio with attitude on KPFT, Houston and ke O 's College Station. And I'm Jimmy and Jules here. And it's about time to go to reflections of a Rock Lobster. I'm excited. I like to do this every every year round prom, they



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have this on the net, if you look up reflect, if you look up Rock Lobster, if you have a search engine, you can look this up and it is printed in its entirety, no cased in text. And it has some pictures. So you can see them standing there and their little product and getting out of the car and all this kind of stuff that you know, was because this was a video. This was moving. And this is a tape from that movie. And actually, this is a radio dramatization. Okay, yeah, cuz there were two of them, there was the ones that are audio from the movie. But there it's all in text. On the net, just look up Rock Lobster and, and there's several pieces on there. But they're the father and son and their relationship and how it was kind of bumpy at the beginning. But now it's gotten a lot better and how the father is really glad this happened.



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And you know, hatch always does their prom every year. And as soon as I get information on that, I'll be bringing it to you. Yeah,



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let's remember that, you know, because that's something I've always regretted. No, yeah, not going to prom not having not doing this high school reunion thing. You know, that kind of stuff. I've always regretted that because I hated high school. You know, when I was in high school, I hated that. And there was no way I would be going to a prom. You know, I you know, there was a contest somewhere recently about your worst date. And I sat down and I wrote about my worst day. And it was when I was 17 years old. My mother knew this guy who went to that

military academy where the women were at, it's called the Citadel. And his parents, his mother and my mother were friends. And they've been pushing us together. We were 17 they were pushing us together. He was going there. And and we'd seen each other a couple times gone to a couple of, you know, restaurants for dinner, and, you know, to movie and, and it was really boring. It was really boring. Worst date I've ever had was I turned to him. And after weeks of thinking about this, I just finally wanted to tell him that I was gay. And I turned to him and I said, I just you know, I can't do this anymore. I've got to tell you, I'm gay. And he looked at me with this incredible look of relief in his face and he said me too. Ah, no kidding. And we dated from that on because We just had last fall right then we can have fun. But that was both my best and worst date ever. He just turned me this incredible look of relief because I didn't know and you know, he couldn't say anything where he was at you know, we became really and I still connect with him. His name is Tom and he joined the service afterwards and he became a lieutenant something I think he became like Lieutenant Colonel or something. No major, some kind of major something major general No, whatever. It is some kind of major not Major General anyway, and it was really just this incredible look of relief on his face. And he said just as real timid little voice me too.



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Thank God that is really great. Okay, without further ado, we bring you reflections of a Rock Lobster



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don't wall on Christopher Great. take great pride in what's happened in the gay community and what's going to happen



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there's no question in my mind that the people of California don't want homeless Wait a minute here. What do we got? I did hear about teaching in the classroom there. What's it say?



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It says reflections of Iraq. Reflections of a Rock Lobster.



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Oh, oh. But you know, I wanted to go to my prom with Tom while you're looking with this guy, Tom. But he couldn't get away. And you know, I've always regretted not being able to go to the prom with with somebody you know, that was because I was dating. I was already I was already well aware of who I was and who my lover was actually. And you know, I only went out on this thing with this guy because my mother and his mother were tight friends and it was really encouraged and his mother was real. She wanted us to get married. It's my effect. She was really pushing for that. And you know, I can't imagine myself married all these years for for to

somebody who after all that Memorial Day, oh, he handed me some paperwork here so we can fill till he finds the Rock Lobster. Memorial Day customer appreciation, shrimp and crawfish boil at the brass river bottom. And boy, you know, I was talking to Ray this evening and he was recalling that the BRB, you know, did a lot to keep this station going back in the early 80s. And, you know, we need to remember that the how much the BRB has really made this community its its home and how much it's helped and done things for us. It says the subprime community will be there to sell stuff, T shirts, tank tops, 97, pins, bumper stickers, etc. Oh, I had to go by there and give me a bumper sticker. It'd be allied but band called Jambo. Jambo, Jambo x from two to 6pm at Brazzers ribbon to bottom Memorial Day, and you can bet that it'll be a party shrimp and crawfish boil. That Matter of fact, I think I might put that on my on my agenda. You think you got it there. The National Gay and lesbian parents, parents present our first summer lecture series for the community. On May 28, it'll be alternative insemination, who will have to go see that on the 24th will be gay and lesbian parenting in the 90s that you might be able to talk your parents to go there on the 22nd July 22 will be legal issues for gay and lesbian families. And Connie more will be doing that now there's a woman who knows the legal issues the ins and outs of legal issues for gay and lesbian families. On August 26, we'll be step parenting and blending in gay and lesbian families. And there'll be a Child and Family Therapist there to help and these meetings will all be held at Grace Lutheran Church 2515 wall drive from 730 to 9pm. And they have free childcare there if you can talk to folks in the go and they have free childcare there. Now remember that those dates are may 20 for alternative insemination, June 24, gainers and parenting in the 90s July 22, for legal issues for gay and lesbian families. And Tuesday, August 26. For step parenting and blending in the gay and lesbian families. Sounds cool. You think you got it? Give it a shot now but



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I have something else. Oh, something else? Yes.



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Efforts are underway to expand the Houston chapter of aware the lesbian and gay employee group, Southwestern Bell Corporation. The Organizing meeting will be held Sunday, May 18 at 5pm at the Boulevard bistro and that's at 4319 Montrose Boulevard. The dinner meeting is open to current and retired lesbian and gay Employees with Southwestern Bell and their partners, Sean Moore, who started the first chapter of aware in Fort Worth will be the guest speaker. Please call 713-253-7929 to RSVP that's 71323579 to nine, so that proper arrangements can be made with the restaurant. It is suggested that you bring cash to cover the cost of the meal and that makes payment at the end of the meal a lot less confusing. Laurie Clark is spearheading this project and now that the groundwork has been accomplished, Clarke says that the group is ready to soar. The name aware is not an acronym that comes from the fact that Southwestern Bell is not aware that their lesbian and gay employees are denied the same benefits and compensation as their non gay counterparts. Clarke notes quote, the company is not going to give us domestic partnership benefits, and no one is going to request them for us. We have to unite to make the company aware that it is a matter of equal compensation for equal work. Other benefits that are typically denied to lesbian and gay employees, our bereavement and family leave, pension plan benefits, leave for adoption or birth of a partner's child and EAP counseling. Identifying allies at various levels has given Clark hope that Southwestern Bell, which has a non discrimination policy, we will make a

discrimination free workplace a reality. Starting with domestic partnership benefits. The May 18 meeting will include an update on the work that has been done, and the group will establish goals and strategies where it's open to management and non management employees. Clark is also a member of the Equity Committee of the Communications Workers of America, which works for more inclusionary policies. She hopes that having a strong lesbian and gay presence in the Communications Workers of America will make a difference at contract bargaining time, benefits and protections for workers are a bargain for all employees whether they are union members or not. Houston aware union members are encouraged to attend Equity Committee meetings the second Tuesday of each month at the CWA union hall at 1515. Jefferson from six to 7pm. Jeff Bartlett, a former CWA Vice President will speak on effective bargaining at the next Equity Committee meeting on May 13.



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Okay, you've been listening to KPFT and you've been thinking, I want to help out. I want to keep the great shows that I like on the air. Well, now's your chance to support KPFT community radio and the music issues that are important to you. volunteer to help out during our upcoming membership drive from May 28 to June 11. We need friendly voices and enthusiastic listeners to help keep KPFT going strong. Call now at five to six 4000 and speak to Lisa to volunteer. That's five to six 4000 Tell them you want to volunteer to keep KPFT community radio sounding great



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and you're listening to after hours queer radio with attitude on KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station I'm going to have to apologize because the tape that I brought with me is marked Rybak reflections of a Rock Lobster but it isn't. So we're going to have a queer music zone. We haven't done that in a while and I invite you to give us a call at 5265738 with requests for your favorite queer music. And in the meantime, I'm going to play some artists that I've played before and a couple you've never heard before starting with Jean, the group from England and this is off their latest album drawn to the deep end. It's my favorite song on the album called fighting fit