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crucial these times and we don't really honor those families that people create. We don't really you know, have a world where every family no matter what is equally valued and, and respected and I think it's, it's half time, you know,



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I need to interrupt and let everyone know that they are listening to KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station. This is after hours queer radio with attitude. We are the sound of Texas.



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I love that. By the way, I do have the address for buying it now. Okay. The the address is 4201 Wilson Boulevard, number 110 Dash 311 Arlington, Virginia 22203 Dash 1859. For anybody who wants to get more information about my net, or a free copy of our latest newsletter. Just write that or just general information about what it is to be bisexual. And if you're questioning whether you knew you might be bisexual, we can send you some information. Can you give me a call to talk to you?



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Can you read that address one more time?



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Okay. 4201 Wilson Boulevard number 110 Dash 311 Arlington, Virginia 2203 Dash 1859. If you want some information, you can just write us or if you want somebody to call you and talk to you about biassed or about being bisexual or alternative families or something like that. We'd be happy to be in touch with you.





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And I've been really watching a lot of EBh activities that have happened all over the country. And it has been so awesome. Just seeing the you know, the one state had a rainbow flag flying over the capitol for the whole week. Yeah. I mean, I just yeah, that touched me. You know, just so many positive things going on as a result of this movement.



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I agree. And it was one of the things that was really exciting. Obviously, there are places where there is already a lot of bisexual organization, or there's already a lot of gay organization like California and Boston has a huge bisexual community in New York and Washington, DC. But this was a real opportunity for places that don't have that kind of structure to create something, you know, exciting in their home. I know Nebraska was just really ready for it. Although I think we had about 2000 people turn out to all of our activities. That's great. Yeah, for us. That was a huge turnout. I mean, that was way more than we had any reason to hope we could have. It's something like that is just



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wonderful. Congratulations. Yeah, thanks.



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Thanks. We were we were all just astounded and and it was a great opportunity for us on our planning committee probably had about 20 people. And about before all was said and done about six of us came out as buys real opportunity to bisexual people. Are there the Neato planning they're carrying through? They're steady, they're not really flaky the way we have a reputation for being it was it was a risk.



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JGS flaky Yeah. Well,



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that's one of our myths is that bisexual people are flaky and, you know, aren't studying can't stay with it.



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No, it's not true. Gigi has been doing this program for nearly five years.





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But we did get that reputation do flaky programming. See, it always helps.



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I am I'm creating change Committee of the National Gay and Lesbian Taskforce. And one of the things that really came out during this whole EBh thing for me was just seeing how how much bringing people to the state level really does make a difference. It's bringing in it's like what you said, you know, you you weren't even expecting that number of people to come out. And one of the things that they talked about at the Creating Change committee was that, you know, for years now, we've had public opinion on our side. You know, for the most part, people are pretty generally accepting of alternative lifestyles. But the legal system hasn't caught up. Right. And I think that's one of the things that EBh has done is it's given a real strong signal all across the country that, hey, it's time to wake up.



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And we have our governor is incredibly, here in Nebraska. It's very, very conservative. And we asked for a proclamation of equality begins at home week in Nebraska. And he refused it. So we just made our own process proclamation without, but we did have one state senator who agreed we had currently have an employment nondiscriminatory employment non discrimination bill in the state legislature. And we did have one senator who has always in the past, refused to support that bill who changed his mind, and said he would, would support it if it came to the floor. And so now it's our job to get out of committee. But we that was such a triumph for us to actually have one state senator, make the commitment, I will vote for it. If it comes to the floor, you know, that's great. Yeah. So you know, we're slowly making progress, and the quality begins, the home stuff really made a difference.



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And, you know, the one thing that you know, I know, I've always been different. When I was a little child, I was kind of this antithesis of a tomboy, as kind of a girl Jain. And, you know, living in Texas, I guess it's a state of manhood or something, they tried to pound it into me. Believe me, there's times when I wanted to change. And I think the whole thing is, is that, you know, I've never gone out and tried to change anybody else. The way they dress the way they like, the way they act, you know, it's like, people are cool with by me as they are. Right. But it's not like we're asking anybody to change themselves, the religious Reich. Do what you want to do. Yeah. But don't condemn us for who we are. Right. And I think that's really the message is that, you know, we all are, should be treated equally,



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right. And it's a hard message for a lot of people to hear it really, as a lot of people struggle with, you know, allowing people they've never, they've never discovered the joy in him being around people who bring a really different perspective to the world. And, and so they're threatened by it, and it just terrifies them. And I think that you hit it right on the head, if we can

get just get people to, you know, you know, relax and see the joy and letting each person be who they are. Then, you know, a lot of this will go away. Yeah, that's what I'd like to see it do. I'd like for, I'd like for buying it to be put out of business.



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Well, I've said many times on this show, like, the day, it doesn't matter who or how many types of the senior prom, then my job's done. Exactly. It's like, it shouldn't matter. Right? And, and that's really the whole point is that, you know, and it's like my grandmother used to say, she, she was such a sweetie, and she was very accepting of me as I was and, and when I was a teenager, she came up to me one day, and she said, you know, doesn't matter what form it takes love is always love. And she said, she kind of winked at me. And she said, no matter who you want to bring over my court, my porch swing is always open to you for courtship.



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That's very few pens, others say that to their, their grandchildren, that's a marvelous thing.



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And then later, when she saw me crossdress, she said, you know, you make a much better looking girl than a boy.



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It sounds like a neat place. Well, you know, every year when our national meeting, one of the things that we do is sort of guide visioning. And we take the time to sit back and and picture in our minds, a world when every person is respected for who they are, and free to form the life and a family that they that they want and is happy for them. And that's our starting place. And from that we decide on the next year's activities by saying what does it take this year for us to move toward that goal? And if we ever do get to that goal, then by net V right out of business, and that'll be great, but unfortunately, we don't look to be going out of business. mean time,



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unfortunately, yeah. And, you know, just another thing that comes to mind to me, you know, I look back on my life and you know, fought so hard and struggled so hard just to survive. And you know, and now I've got all this creative energy and, and abilities in a lot of different areas that for the first time in my life now that I'm totally out in every avenue in my life, and being able to develop, and it's like, so amazing how much energy I used to waste, right? And how non productive how everybody lost. And now people, you know, I'm winning, and everybody in my life is winning, right? Because we're, we've learned to love and accept each other for who we are. Right?



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One of the questions I've been asked a lot is, you know, why do you need to identify as bisexual? Why not just be, you know, the why not just adopt whatever identity would be appropriate, depending upon who your current partner is. And of course, aside from all the obvious questions, like what if I don't have a partner and all that the the, the one quest, the one things that for me is the bottom line is that every time I say, I came out as a lesbian several times that I was trying to find myself and, and then, you know, go back in the closet, be straight for a while and eight boys and then date girls and couldn't figure out what the deal was with me for a while. And, and, you know, every, no matter what identity I chose, during that period, it was always a lie. And some little part of me inside was screaming, I'm telling lies about myself, I'm hiding. It's shameful. It's not okay. When I was out as a lesbian, the fact that I was still attracted to men was just wrong. And, and it was a little part of me was dying. Every time I was saying, I was a lesbian. And when I when I was finally able to identify as bisexual, and this was really years ago, before we really had a good word. And when I the first time I ever heard of bisexuality, I was like, yes, that is me. That is me. And when I say I'm bisexual, no part of me says that's a lie. That's to me, that's the bottom line, why it's important to me, no matter what I'm doing, no matter who I'm doing it with,



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there are so many bisexuals that have that same kind of coming out, back and forth, back and forth. And then all of a sudden, there's some revelation that I can be both. And this is really me, yes,



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by net USA, mission is to get the word out there to be visible, so that people don't have to go through that so that they can have, they can be, you know, they can be gay, they can be straight, or they can be bisexual, and that's fine. And that it's a viable, stable, you know, choice of identity. And then if that's the one that feels comfortable to, you don't have to be saved about



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it. And I'm recent, well, I guess I'd say recently, it's been years now, but I identified not only as bisexual, but by gendered, being a little bit both male and female. And I had my name when I got a change. But unfortunately, I couldn't have my gender change because they didn't have the right slot for me to change it to



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because there's only male and female. That's it.



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But I feel like I'm going through this whole thing again, I'm the gender and I think a lot of people get confused on gender identity and sexual orientation, which are very separate things. But I feel like I'm repeating the whole thing once again, with everybody on gender issues. Because I've run around I'm in combat boots and a dress and black leather jacket and the hair rings and lipstick and



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and that's what he's wearing tonight.



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Pink fingernails.



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I'm not kidding. No,



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don't take away all the pokey outtie parts that don't look right in the dress for most people, you know, like the top then poke out more than a boy does. The thing between my legs picks out all the time. So when I walk, and it's just, you know, what's that?



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Your partner Jay has been on and talked about how she loves to like a grocery store just follow behind you and watch people's reactions. Because they don't know you know? They don't know they don't understand they don't get it.



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Right. But just the way people want to put you into the box of straight and gay. That's the way to put you in the box of Boyer regard. There you go. Yeah. And we have a again, you know, I hate to keep running back to binary USA. I read this so much my my cultural home, we have a real commitment to, you know, inclusivity for gender issues, and I guess because a lot of bisexual people sort of hit that middle road to some extent or another as far as gender is concerned, or if we don't like me, I'm just like, so fam, no matter what I do, I have not budged. There's no way. I'm still attracted to people who hit that middle road very much, is a real strong issue for a lot of bisexual people. And so we have a real commitment. There's the bisexuality doesn't go anyplace that transgender is not also included. And that's, that's really important for us.



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And, you know, do you have to make a little distinction because I know the transgender community here that is oftentimes tried to get me to join with them. And I keep saying well, would except they don't have the right operation. I don't want anything taken away. I just want a vagina added. Well, they kind of



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want it all. That's, that's it. You just want it off.



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Yeah, yeah.



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But I make that distinction, because I know there's other people that feel the same way, but don't have a name for it. The same place I was 25 years ago, going, wow, like, men and like women. Now, I'm not gay. I know. I'm not straight. What am I?



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Right? And the same thing I know, I'm not a boy. And I'm not a girl. Yeah, I actually you sound a lot like my daughter in law, who would just like to have a penis added? That's the bottom line. Yeah, he just wants to be exactly what she is. She likes really little dresses and all that, but she just feel she's missing something really important.



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You're not alone, Gigi.



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Definitely not alone.



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But I'm seeing a little bit of a glimpse of hope out there, because I have met some other people that, but I do try to bring this up on the show here. Because, you know, I know, there's a lot of people that are feeling these things and never saying a word about them. Right, you know, because, you know, it's just not talked about.



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Right. Right.



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Right. Well, you know, I think it's just, it's just really important. Again, to just let people be whoever they want to be, respect them for who they are and what they bring to our lives, for who they are, and, and where the place they are in their life. And, and then just, you know, let go, the rest of it is not my job to to, you know, figure out what other people should be doing my job to get through and get the best I can out of every relationship I have. That's very much I think the way people could just relax.



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You know, it's like, my grandmother said, no matter what form it takes Love is love. And, you know, it's, it's a beautiful thing,



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right? Even the Christians that believe that the greatest is love, right? Yes. But they are always honored.



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Yeah, but if it has to be a specific type, right? Or conditional.



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I do want to ask you one last thing. We're we're getting the new guy, news team in are coordinates thing. Yeah. But is there anything else you want to add or throw in? I kind of talk to you about, is there anything you want to kind of jump in on?



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Because it just, I really want to encourage people to, to, you know, be out there as bisexual not to hide so many bisexuals are, are hidden in other communities, wherever it is that they live based on their partners, or their majority, their partners or if they're woman identified, or if they're, you know, sort of de identified or maybe hiding and what are the other communities let people know that you're bisexual. It's only by being known as as many gay people have said over the years, it's only by being known as bisexual that people will begin to give up their stereotypes and realize that we're, you know, good partners, good friends, good good members

of their organizations, good employees, and all of those rights that we're seeking. And so I just want to really encourage people to, you know, embrace bisexuality, if that's their identity and to be out. Cool.



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And it's very important because I know some of my friends who have joined by net feel like the same, have that same feeling that I had when I worked, walked into a gay bar for the first time. This is my community. And it's creating that sense of community. That's very, very important.



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Right now And, and you you by just being yourself. And I'm very lucky because I'm able to be very out at my job. And I every day I bring a little bit more knowledge to people about what it is to be bisexual, who bisexuals really are, you know what, what the truth is about bisexuality, which doesn't mean that we're out running up and down the streets, you know, sleeping with everybody. Or it might mean we are. You could say that about straight people and gay people.



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I know you can say that about gay people. I've been there. And we're good employees and



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with that employees, and we're good people, and we're bad people. And we're all of those things. And it helps to change people's attitudes and make it all easier for the next one. So I



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want to thank you for joining us. Oh,



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yes. Thank you so much.



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It has been so wonderful. It's



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it's a lot of fun. That's what it's supposed to be things done there.



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Thanks. You have a good night.



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Hey, take care. Bye. Bye. Oh, okay. That was really great. Just push off, off.



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Okay. All these technical? No. Anyway, I could never get that dichotomy thing down. button here. That's both.



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That's, you know, what do you want from a bar guy? Okay. Both buttons. So after the news, I want to be I want to talk about a letter I received from Roger, who is also in who was also behind bars, and a person that he was talking about. And so might get a little on the serious side again, after the news stick stick around. things here, but right now.



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It's time for after hours news and views with big rah. Yeah, and it's not Michelle. It's Chris. Well, I haven't turned you on yet. Wait a minute. There we go.



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This one microphone needs Viagra.



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It just won't stay up.



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Well, I do talk with Michelle this week. She's chole in San Antonio. Yes

well, I do talk with Michelle this week. She's she's in San Antonio. Yes.



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Oh, yes. With family. That's Easter.



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She'll be back, folks. She'll be back. Good. Good. We miss her. Well, I'd like to welcome all of our listeners to this week's edition of after hours news and views on big Roy. And with me tonight is Chris sitting in for Michelle. And I want to start off by giving a shout out to Tony up there and Midway. And to Randy down there in Beaumont listeners. So I guess Tony's picking this up on our station up there at KOLs.



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That's the other direction.



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Yeah, that's up there. My midway. Oh, yeah, the



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midway. Okay, Tony. I'm sorry. I'm sorry. I can't keep straight. Both of your fans. I'm sorry. My two.



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Okay, they're cruel already. At



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any rate, I like to start off this week's news with mentioning how that a nice Parker has announced plans to run for a second term in city council. And he says Houston's first openly lesbian or gay elected official. And like I said she has announced her candidacy for a second term as city council member for position for at large position number one. And she has done a tremendous amount here in the city. And Parker campaign manager grant Martin confirmed that so far a total of \$121,000 has been raised to kick off a nice Parker's 1999 campaign. Nice Parker has proven herself to be a candidate loyal to the concerns of all her constituents. And she said that since there's not a whole lot in city government, that impacts only the gay community. Most of the issues are issues that affect everyone, and that she was going to be about councilman, Councilwoman for everyone and indeed she has



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about the only gay issues that has come up is the high the non discriminatory ban on



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that executive decision that yeah, that Lee Brown?



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Yes, let me get my teeth back in. And really that's been about the The only really major gay issue, and of course, she backed it. And it's still in effect



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right now. Parker, she did a nice Parker. Now she did emerge as a champion for neighborhood issues.



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Oh, yeah, she's always been big on that. She's with the police department for years,



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quality of life issues, the development of standards and neighborhoods, clean areas, and parks and trees. And



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you know, she sees it from both sides, because she's been involved with neighborhood associations as members and leaders. And now on the other side, so who could better, better, you know, beat I mean, she's perfect for the job.



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Really, especially, especially winning an at large position. I mean, it's not like sitting here and just working in the Montrose community, right? Saying a lot of stuff just for that community. And then maybe when they're likely not doing as much as they said, for for this area, she had to impress everyone from Kingwood down the South Houston. That's right. North Shore out to



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Bear Creek, and that's what made that victory. So sweet.



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And believe me, folks, that is a difficult thing to do to try to please. All those do. Well, you



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can't do it. You know, that's, that's the problem with politics. No matter what you do, somebody's going to be test off. It's sort of like running a radio show. No matter what I say. I can open up the mic and say anything. Somebody's gonna get pissed off.



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Just a matter of finding the people who don't mind getting pissed off. Alright.



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Chris, Chris is here with me tonight? is also our our cue patrol guy. He certainly is. And, Chris, you dealt with a lot of issues out there on cube patrol, and tonight you've got an interesting issue on the same gender stalking?



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Yes. It seems like our community is deciding to do another thing like the straight people are stalking stalking figures of same genders.



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We've been doing that for years. I can remember 10 years ago, you know, like, it's called cruising big crush on somebody and I drive by his house and all of this kind of stuff. I



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thought it was what you did in the in the bookstores.



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But unfortunately, I guess the stock now that it has a term, it's no longer cruising, are you willing to



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drive by somebody's house? You know, like every half hour, it's another thing to do them physical harm.



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Yeah. Or intend to or sit there and be at their front door? Hi, how are you this morning? If you're more regular than the delivery guys, or the newspaper guy or the milkman? Is? Those remember, milkman? I do? I do. I've seen the milk cam. Does that count?



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Oh, he milked that for all it was worth. Oh, yeah. study's been under.



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Jimmy, you've



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been doing this?



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If you thought this was the cream of the crop, we've gone sour. Let's not go on here. Got your yogurt yet. Studies been underway by the Victorian Institute of Forensic mental health in Australia.



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What do you know about mental health?



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And Victoria I'm very committed



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But there is some queenship there I'm sure there is seems same sex stalking is on the rise and 80% is men on men. But the women are deciding or coming back and trying to make it more equal in that respect. Unfortunately, not a lot of the female SAME GENDER stalking is reported based on the fact that women don't want to get late have that lesbian later on them. Sure. So it's not as well known and as and as documented. Of course, the male to male is going to get documented because one person's gonna say I'm not gay and then even if they say I'm on a talk show, and then go home and use a shotgun, everyone's gonna get in trouble for



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stalking.



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That's why we call it news. News folks. What



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seemed mill mill stalking can be in any kind of stalking, it can be very dangerous. There was one very famous Hollywood personality had a gay stalker. Not too long ago. Yeah. Remember the life of me I forgotten the guy's name



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was the guy who was who was stalking Steven Spielberg, right? For some some amount of time and they just finally did that.



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Work is not gay folks. He's very happily married. With kids and everything else. Yeah. Are you me Irving? Whatever, but the



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See that's the view did not say that. Okay, go ahead,



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I believe is why I say correctly. If I'm wrong call me



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Well, let's talk since



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well, we trashed that card. I called it and we didn't even get oh turn. Okay.



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Turn to page 22 of the Houston voice people. Well, let's talk about things. This is Easter and one of the holiest.



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One of the things we need to mention is that a lot of our information comes from the Houston voice, the triangle, and the twit and hand the Houston