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## SPEAKERS

Brian Nunes, Greg Gordon, Deborah Bell, Jack Valinski, Cindy Friedman, Lucy Chappelle

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[live musical performance]



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Thank you. Thank you Freds for performing that song for us here on KPFT Houston. This is lesbian and gay voices sent tonight. Joining us live here in the KPFT studios. We have the The Freds I mean the for it not one not a single Fred but three Freds. Tonight there'll be performing at two piece two pieces a coffee house over on West Alabama 1830 West Alabama. Just off hazard I guess. And let's see when are y'all gonna play at the Mucky Duck?



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We'll be at the Mucky Duck on Monday night.



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McGonigel's Mucky Duck.



Deborah Bell 01:00

That's right. They have open mics on on Monday night and we're going to be there early. What probably the fourth or fifth act to sign up that was at Lisa Morales's this request so the owner can listen to us sorry. So they start eight so I will probably but they keep things running smooth about 830



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They usually do well look forward to hearing y'all there and hearing your tax tonight. Yeah, apologize to if there's any mic distortion. We don't have the greatest studio mics for this kind of production in here. So we apologize to listeners if you're not coming out just as exact and clear as they sound because these guys are good. Let me tell you it and it's really fun having y'all here at the studios even though



Deborah Bell 01:46

our pleasure



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Our equipment isn't in up to standard really for vocal vocalizing and guitar playing quite as much as we'd like it to be but hey, you know the September people have a chance to give money and they can give enough money will buy you know, great stereo mics.



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Hey, yeah, I



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love that little pitch. Who sees that one squeaked out on in on your time tonight. Anyway, you got another one for us? Sure. Okay. Oh want to tell you Rick call dolly and he and Mona somebody else? Yeah, they're listening out there.



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Sing that Melissa Etheridge signs up. I don't know I told him he had your set plan but well we can



Deborah Bell 02:32


we can do that. Anything for Mona and Rick Of course. Meet me are two things you've died what is it? Good request. Yes. It's always nice to have someone request something you know.



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Dynamite you guys.




 Deborah Bell 03:00

Thank you. Thank you. killer.

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Killer. Well, tonight, you can catch the Fred's at two piece Coffee House over on West Alabama. And we'll be hearing a lot more from y'all. I'm sure. Maybe you can come back sometime when? When the listener sponsors bias new microphones? Yeah, you guys can come by and sing some more for us. Gee, thanks, Dolly. You sound great. Rebecca, thank you, Fred. Thanks, Kathy. Fred, Dolly Fred, Rebecca Fred.

 Deborah Bell 03:34

Appreciate it

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Albert King once said everybody's got the blues. I know I have. You will have to repeat tune into KPFT every Friday night for the off the clock blues show from at 10pm Whether you like BB King, Eric Clapton, Albert King, Elmo jeans theory Yvonne or local talent. This is a show for you. In addition to music, we feature interviews with local, regional and national artists as well as specialists in some of the blues greats. In this every Friday night at 8pm for two hours of down and dirty blues here on World Radio 90.1 FM KPFT history.

 Jack Valinski 04:37

From Pacifica's KPFT in Houston, this is lesbian gay voices, a show for and about the game has been community. Coming up the next hour, we're going to be talking about the upcoming town meeting to which will be happening next June. But there's a fundraiser coming up for it and we'll be talking about that. But up next is news wrap. From this way out.

 Lucy Chappelle 05:01

Welcome to this way out international lesbian and gay radio magazine. I'm Lucy Chappelle.

 Greg Gordon 05:06

And I'm Greg Gordon. Euro pride and other outings celebrate Stonewall wronged workers urge US Senate to begin ENDA and Australian drug sweeper gets stamp of approval, all that and more because you've discovered this way out

 Cindy Friedman 05:31

I'm Cindy Friedman.

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Brian Nunes 05:32

And I'm Brian Nunes

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Cindy Friedman 05:33

with news wrap a summary of some of the news in order affecting the lesbian and gay community for the week ending July 30 1994.

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Deborah Bell 05:41

Homosexual movement right here in the United States in Houston Texas especially this is lesbian and gay voices. This is Deborah Bell along with Jack Valinski lovely Jack Valinski that really wonderful and they're going to be over at two Ps which is located at 1830 West Alabama 10 starting at nine o'clock, they'll also be playing at Nancy Ford's midlife crisis which is 14 from sits

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Jack Valinski 06:04

nice how she can just kind of that crisis to happen at a certain time.

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Deborah Bell 06:08

I now feel less when it comes on her birthday is

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Jack Valinski 06:10

do want to do over the air.

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Deborah Bell 06:12

Yes, yes, it's kind of hard to because we don't have all the equipment set up like we should for them to sound as good as they do live. But you can hear them live over to bass internet, Nancy's birthday party. This is a fundraiser next to the safe sex program for lesbians that is sponsored by the AIDS Foundation, Houston and Nancy has been doing safe sex seminars as part of her routine that she does over at the ranch on Thursday nights. Who and the friends have opened for her but part of her I mean she's got this like raffle prizes all kinds of wonderful things I hear but like just donated something, you know, extra special twist arm while she is

payback time. Although people that she's done things for over the years are paying her back. So oh, she has the tape over at The Ranch 9200 Buffalo Speedway at Mur-, Mur- worth Murworth. say that in English.



Jack Valinski 07:07

It's not too far from gate four probably



Lucy Chappelle 07:09

over the Astrodome area. August 14 from six to 10pm. And be there there's a small admission that helps a foundation Houston, there's a lot of activities. And there's a very special guest star which was scooped here last week on lesbian gay voices. Julia Sweeney, who's starring in the movie it's Pat and up Saturday Night Live will be there in person as Pat and you'll. She'll be there. At it. She was performed at the closing ceremonies of the gay gangs in New York. And she'll be there for the entire evening helping us celebrate Nancy Ford's 40th birthday. And if you would like free tickets to it's Pat, the premier showing the preview showing is Wednesday, August 10. At 730 at Mar Park 14 and a free tickets admission for two are available over this evening at 2pm. If you go by there to see the Fred's will have some free tickets available for you to pick up. Fine. So this public service announcement for tonight. Ready? Ready, okay, just waiting. We have a person who's fairly new to the Houston Community. He's only been in town for years. And about four months ago, he got this idea, which was that there should be a town meeting for the gay and lesbian community in Houston. And his name's Allen Bourgeois. While he's been busy doing a lot of things, but we're going to talk to him first about town meeting and find out what that's all about. Hi, Allen. Welcome to lesbian gay voices. Good. Okay. You've been around in the Houston community about four years. And you said that you got tired of hearing people talk about having another town meeting?



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Yeah. And the last two years, I was working on a publication and talked to Ray healed the time. And he had told me about telling me to one. Well, since then, I kept hearing a whole bunch about possibility of another one time after time after time. And then finally, about four months ago, I said enough was enough, right? Do you mind if I take it over and do it? This is no problem. Go for it. So that's what I'm doing.



Deborah Bell 09:27

So tell us a little bit about what you know about the original town meeting. One. What was that?



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The original Town meeting one was held back in 1978. Actually, June 25. It was proximately attended by 4000 men and women. And from that they created a whole bunch of resolutions, things that were important to the community at that time. And most of my standpoint the

things that were important to the community at that time. And most of my standpoints the community. Our civil rights been number one. They took those resolutions went to a whole bunch of different city and county politicians and tried to get new laws passed, things that were in favor of us. They also helped create the Montrose clinic. The Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus, which was already created before then was able to triple its membership. There was a group that I forget the name now but they were like Q patrol, they patrolled around the areas of Montrose bars and stuff. I think that was a Montrose to patrol. I think that yeah, they got together sports groups, a whole bunch of things were created from that event. And that's, like I said, back in 78, that's a long time ago,

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Deborah Bell 10:37

a lot of good things did come out of that meeting. Just let us recap a little bit about who you are, Allen, you've been working on a cable access television program called Gay 90s. And what is Gay 90s? What is the format of that is like lesbian, gay voices on TV.



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And pretty much we are in a magazine format. So we go on to the community and film all the events that relate to our community, or whether it be gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, whatever it relates to the community at large. We want to cover it, which we've been doing, it seems like I haven't had a day off since we started this. We are on public access and various hours right now. But we will begin a regular scheduled time in October. And our goal at the time as well to go live on a weekly basis. So we'll have news cast for about 15 minutes, and then we'll go into some future stories. What do you think about the future of access? Oh, it's great. Based on everything we've been hearing, and actually have seen so far, I'm really excited about because they're really committed to the individual producers creating good quality stuff, instead of just slapped together things I've been going on their commitments, purchasing equipment, to train people in more detail. I think that's great.

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Deborah Bell 11:59

And you've also been the creator of a exercise video for HIV positive people. Tell me a little bit about that.



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It's called positive fitness. And it stars Joe Perez, who in New York won a gold medal for Well, let's

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Deborah Bell 12:15

look at a gold medal. Yes. Okay. Make sure we know



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people me forgetting. And we also have a nutritionist Clint Stevens and a therapist, by the name of Greg case on it through the course of an hour and 20 minute video, we have three different exercise sections for about 15 minutes each. And then we have the two on nutrition and one therapy. And it basically discusses HIV, and the nutrition exercise and things of that nature, we've given out about 175 of them. Right now we're requesting like a \$3. donation, basically, to cover the cost of the tape and mailing it to the person.



Deborah Bell 12:57

If someone was interested in getting that, how would they go about?



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They could call me at 9493119. And I'll be glad to give them the proper address and information for it. Okay, great.



Deborah Bell 13:09

So you have been very busy. So on top of it, you want to do this town meeting. Now, there was about four or five years ago, in an effort in the community to put together a count meeting to we felt like there was a need, but it turned out pretty much that everyone that was involved was way too busy. What are you running into in your efforts to get



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most of the people that we have contacted, very busy people are this community, you have about 100 to 250, maybe 200 People that are constantly doing things for the community. The two of you are perfect examples of that you guys have free moment you're out of town, most likely, that's the only way you're gonna get it. So what we're hoping to do, and talking to a lot of different people, a lot of organizations is to more or less, find new blood, people who are want searching for involvement in the community, but don't know how, and hopefully bring them onboard and letting them find a way to be creative to put the energy to good use. So want to tap into an untapped market basically.



Deborah Bell 14:20

You feel like there's a lot of gay and lesbian people out there who maybe are not involved in the community who could be part of making this happen?



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almost definitely. There's a lot of people who are just lost, you know, they know they want to do something, but they can't figure out what we can't like, with everything that we're doing for


this event. There's something somewhere that they can do.

 Jack Valinski 14:41

The magic question is how do you get them involved?

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While building up? Enthusiasm.

 Deborah Bell 14:47

You told me you were looking for someone particularly to go around and talk to other groups and let them know about this and promote it. So I figured that one job someone could do Yeah, and

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it's not even just that we're Need a treasurer? We need someone to handle the town meeting itself. We need someone to help us with the business expo. We need help on marketing parts of it the accounting business. Yeah,

 Deborah Bell 15:11

yeah. You had said that there's a business expert what your How do you envision town meeting to what are all the elements that are in place? Well,

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I need to clarify coming in to right now is just a catch all name for us at this point in time, hopefully Tuesday at our fundraiser, we will have our official logo and the event name. That's our goal. It

 Deborah Bell 15:35


may not be called town meeting. I wanted to ask you about the fundraiser because that is coming up next week. Give me the details. There

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it says museum restaurant on August 9 from five to 7pm at approximately six o'clock the makeup presentation and announce who the winner was for our logo contest and the name and




makeup presentation and announce who the winner was for our logo contest and the name and give a real good breakdown of what this event is going to be a really give a good flavor how important it is what is circle aspect of it is and how everybody can help.

 Lucy Chappelle 16:06

What are the elements of town meeting tip

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then we have the concert to top it all off in the evening. And our goal is to bring in some pretty good sized known people like well, I have to be willing

 Deborah Bell 16:29

I know we have our dream answered and then who who will say that. But I mean really What are you looking at

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what we have put out flyers and we are in the course of discussion with k.d. lang, Wynonna Judd, Liza Minnelli those are the people we are working with. Whether they sign on the dotted line or not. That's still up in there where we hope we can arrange for something to happen. But locally we have Brian blacks people on tentatively agreed to do it. criticize the people have tentatively agreed to do it. We have Mr. Gay on America, David paste who is very good entertainer. And we had briefly talked with the Houston gate corps. We are putting feelers out everywhere. For entertainers in the Houston area as well statewide

 Deborah Bell 17:18

to be a part of it. Maybe it could be a festival and not just a concert.

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Yeah, it's gonna turn out that way. We got ours planned for it. So we want a large event. We want everybody to be involved in it.

 Jack Valinski 17:29

Do we have a timeframe of when this is gonna happen?

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Right now. It's scheduled for June 18 1995. And we have submitted our application to the Astra Raina and we're just waiting for their approval on it.



Lucy Chappelle 17:40

Well, that comes like smack dab in the middle of Pride Week. And that's an area that Jack's very involved in considering that he's the chair of the board of the pride committee of Houston and his tone as well. Okay, and he's served as co chair, as have I a Pride Week. Just putting that on alone is a big, big job. Well, it's



Greg Gordon 18:00

not alone.



Deborah Bell 18:00

Are you planning on working in conjunction with the pride committee?



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Yes, we are planning on working with everybody. We are not singling out anybody. All the organizations that are out there, we are tapping into their sources example the agora, a public relations committee, we have come to them to express working together, they're going to put our campaigns down. So our wait. So there's no reason why the two can't work together and achieve the same goal. This is a kickoff event for gay pride. So we definitely want to work with everybody and especially the Gay Pride committee.



Deborah Bell 18:34

I'm just wondering, do you say that there would be a conflict with like the two things going on or that this would kind of work hand in hand this



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will work hand in hand. This being a historically bad for Houston, and for the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender community. This is definitely something that everybody works for, and works together on. Once this event is over with, all the other activities will continue on. While



Deborah Bell 19:03

you're trying to set up as a 501 C three organization. If there are profits that come out of this, might they be turned over to other organizations such as bad week or AIDS Foundation, etc.  
Right? That's

Right? They



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will be what our goal is at this point in time. As per the board meeting last week, 50% of the profits will go back to the community, mostly to the groups that help work with us the most, and also groups that we feel needed the most. Then the 50% leftover, if depending on the size of the amount will go back into signing up for another business expo art show, etc.



Deborah Bell 19:44

Nothing it is an annual event.



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Not most of it, yes, but not the town meeting, the town meeting part we see maybe every two years, and we have to allow time for people to take the information that they've received from that event and work on it, develop it Um, that's why we say maybe every other year situation on that. But for like the business expo, our community is growing. So I see that we need that on a yearly basis. The art shows, it's always nice to see who's up and coming and who's now experiencing your new creative outlet. So those are on on a yearly basis.



Lucy Chappelle 20:20

I noticed on your board that you don't have very many women involved. What have you done to reach the diversity of our community? What kind of outreach do you have in place,



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every woman I know, personally, I have told about it and tried to get involved in it. Unfortunately, most of the women I do know are, again, very busy people. So they have put out the word to other people. We anticipate at the fundraiser, seeing some new faces there that have so far indicated, just they'd like to get involved as to what level they can wait and see. But we want everybody involved. This is a community event.



Deborah Bell 21:00

Is there maybe people are not seeing the need for this? I mean, we've had marches on Austin, where we've had big political gatherings, we've had marches on Washington and Stonewall, we have Pride Week, every year, we have National Coming Out Day. Why would we need something additional, such as town meeting to



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we, as a community, her face on a daily basis with a very conservative community. Other than Houston, we have Texas and large, but mostly the right wing are gaining more and more ground, we as a community need to be united to fight that. If we are broken up into our own little groups, we're not gonna be able to succeed. That's just bottom line, we have to be a united community. And Tammy is a good outlet for that. There are so many things going on in this community. There's three different groups trying to get a chamber of commerce together, there's another two or three groups trying to get a bank together. There's all these little bits and pieces that we need to pull together and pull the resources together as well, to make these things happen. When you're in smaller groups, they just don't happen. And you guys both know, being in charge of the Gay Pride committee. If you don't have a large working group, it just doesn't happen. And that's the way this community is. If we're not pulled together and working together and not Vickery. It just won't happen.

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Deborah Bell 22:29

Actually, there's an awful lot of work that gets done by small working groups. They're never quite enough people find enough volunteers. And part of that is because of the large closeted community, there are people who may be gay or lesbian, but they're not involved. They're not out here doing things. Maybe they're on a softball team or something, or maybe they're not even associating with other gays and lesbians. There's, for all those reasons that we talked about earlier, such as hate crimes and gay bashings and, and harassment by police and, and those sorts of things. What what? I lost my train of thought there that helps to make those neurotransmitters to shut down. What I was going to ask you, is it I find out about this event? And I want to go to it, what would be the process? What would my day look like the door or buy a ticket, and



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while we will open the doors at 10 o'clock, for the business expo, and the business expo and art or show during that course of time, from 10 until about one o'clock, it's pretty much find out what's going on in your community as far as businesses. Currently in the current issue of the Yellow Pages, there's over 225 business people out there, different shops and things, kind of find out who they are where they are, you'd be surprised they're not all in one chosen. They're not all inside the loop all over the place.

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Deborah Bell 23:59


Will this be set up so that people actually can make use of the services or products from these businesses? Some power? In other words, we can go shop?



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Yeah, there'll be some shopping. Yes. And then there'll be also some areas where it's just information, such as the community organizations, there's another 200 groups out there, we want them involved as well. And this is a great way for people who don't know about

community to come and find out about these groups. The skydivers, the scuba divers, the flag football team, that softball team on and on and on. There's just so much going on this community that this is a great way for people to learn about

 Deborah Bell 24:38

it. Do you feel like you're getting a good response from the Houston Community?

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I'm real pleased with the response. The only negative responses we get are from those people are so busy, they can't devote the time. Otherwise they say yes, go for it. Keep doing it. Hopefully as things progress, we'll be able to put time into it from the other people who are looking for something to do this is great outlet for them and we are getting people involved and we're excited about it.

 Jack Valinski 25:04


Okay, the fundraiser is this Tuesday at the museum cat museum restaurant, which is on the

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West Alabama 1500 block and from five to 7pm. And if they'd like to find out some more information they can call me at 9493119.

 Jack Valinski 25:17

Allen, thank you very much for joining us this evening. You're listening to lesbian and gay voices and want to remind you that up at eight o'clock exactly at eight o'clock, we have news from the BBC in London. And right after that, we have off the clock with Noreen Nuri. I believe Noida is going to be on tape again. He's

 Deborah Bell 25:33

still out of the country, but he has sent the troops sent in to cover the show.

 Jack Valinski 25:38

Great. But first let's listen to this

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Hey, wake up. It's Saturday night at midnight, and you thought it was bedtime? We'll just listen to what you've been missing.



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Nap queens are in the house. Ladies and gentlemen, snap your fingers for after hours.



26:04

Jodie Jodie Foster. Jody, this is Nancy. You know who this is Nancy for? Don't pretend you don't know who I am. And if you're listening, you know you're listening to after hours. A continuing tradition here on KPFT. Houston, 90 point.



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This is Sarah G with the gang at after hours, saying if you're queer, we're here. Saturday night at midnight to 3am on World Radio KPFT Houston.



Jack Valinski 26:41

A lot of things going on this week. Actually, you know this is



Deborah Bell 26:46

going on to act like we can. Vacation. Have



Jack Valinski 26:49

you seen your officiant?



Lucy Chappelle 26:51

Yes. I loved it. I know the people who made that movie. And it was very interesting to me to see him in that film. Or talk a little bit about it. But have you seen it? Yes. Okay. And what did you think of it? Especially being that it's a lesbian film? Being that it was to that? Why should that? Oh, that's right. I forget Jack, you are less being trapped in a man's body. Okay. From a male perspective of what was being showed, how did how did you relate to it? Well, I



Jack Valinski 27:21

mean, you know, whether it was man in man or woman and woman, I mean, there's there's some issues there. It was a movie about people who did not have a lot of money. Where I think

some issues there. It was a movie about people who did not have a lot of money. Where I think most working class people Yes, definitely. In a major city. Yeah. In fact, I didn't know what to do yet person. So I saw the CTA sign on the bus. And it was pretty good. I mean, it was definitely a low budget black and white movie, that sometimes those are better compared

**L** Lucy Chappelle 27:49  
to some of the big budget films. It was a lot better than

**J** Jack Valinski 27:53  
50 Here in the paper. But have you ever

**D** Deborah Bell 27:55  
had, because part of the theme of the movie is is having friends fix you up with somebody? Have you ever had that happen and turn out?

**J** Jack Valinski 28:06  
Well, most people I know are so busy being involved in stuff that like Allen Yes, yeah. That happens. Yes. And yes, everybody has a different connotation of the way things go. And that was neat that when the couple scenes there were they all sort of talked about that.

**L** Lucy Chappelle 28:21  
Yeah, about what how the progress of the relationship was going? Well, you know, it's just a media frenzy these days. I mean, we have had so much from our community. Last week, Nancy Ford did a review of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert, which is a show about drag queens, which is going to be showing later this month. And, of course, we have its path, the movie coming out a comedy that proves Love is a mini gendered thing.

**J** Jack Valinski 28:50  
Well, something else that's happening, that's a really good show, is Dream Girls. Opening. That would be a plane. Yes, it would be a play and musical and it's really, really good. I don't know how this production is going to be hopefully it's going to be good. It opens Tuesday, and I guess goes on for about a weekend type music hall and yes, tickets are a little bit expensive. That is something that to see.

**D** Deborah Bell 29:13  
Does that cover it for our theatrical activities? Yeah, I

J Jack Valinski 29:17

think we're pretty low on are we missing something and some of the things that are happening? We have a whole bunch of things going on at one time. Oh, well, we

L Lucy Chappelle 29:24

still do. They're just not all theatrical. One of the things that I'm loud chapter is recognizing and they will have a new ad Inklings, which is at 1840 The new right at hazard upstairs at 630. And whatever your concerns are, you can come to the now meeting and address them. It's open to both men and women and and anyone that wants to get involved and make a difference. When we look at they're still taking away custody of children. If a mother doesn't stay at home and wear an apron, when we look at the The issues of race and the fact that there are people that are let out of prison and allowed to, you know, break again, when a woman can be murdered after years of abuse. A you think, gosh, we make so much progress. And then there's always those few steps back. So

J Jack Valinski 30:17

yeah, and I many different dimensions. I mean, some of the stuff that Brian was talking about earlier is he was asking questions to Sheila Jackson Lee running for US Congress at the game was being Political Caucus meeting about denying funds, you know, how they tried to sort of blackmail us denying federal education funds, if a school promotes homosexuality? And where do you draw the line on that, you know, if you're bringing an article Life magazine or something like that, but

L Lucy Chappelle 30:43

you know, what, if we don't do something about it, nobody is going to so we

J Jack Valinski 30:48

depend on the people that we support it to also, you know, draw the line to That's right speaking sort of on another subject, as on progress. Actually, the game was being Political Caucus is moving into new space 2700, Albany, the old officer's club, as a lot of people knew it, now we're emos is a nightclub, they have this beautiful area space on the third floor in this mansion, which is just a few blocks off of Fairview, to a change names there. And their first, I guess, official meeting, there is going to be the Wednesday where they have the board meeting. But coming up, I'm not exactly sure when that's going to happen. But they are going to be having a general meetings there, except for the large large endorsement meetings, and it's a really nice space. And probably it's also gonna be having their meetings there in the future. Not right now, but a little bit in the future. And it's real neat. Now, finally, the caucus has a home.



**D** Deborah Bell 31:38

That's great. It's about time. Well, let's go to a little bit of music and stay with us on what's been in Gay voices for more exciting news. So the boys Well, you may have wondered, what does the OJ Simpson case have to do with anything I was hoping we would have done, as, amazingly enough, the women's group at the Unitarian Church has come up with this as a topic. But I think they're going to handle it a little bit differently. They're going to have some defense attorneys, including Claude Williams, at Holman at 330. In the afternoon, not a lot of middle neighborhood. Well, they're going to appreciate and hearing and churches going through a renovation, which hopefully will be done by next March.

**J** Jack Valinski 32:33

So I'm stadium,

**D** Deborah Bell 32:35

I certainly hope not, I don't think we need any more stadiums. And, and, and the topic at the women's group is going to be the OJ Simpson case, and the issues of battering and things like that from a feminist perspective. So it should be very interesting. Well, you know, we

**J** Jack Valinski 32:52

talk about a lot of meetings and sometimes meetings can be boring. I know, I got a lot of meetings at work and fall asleep in them. But they're, but if you want, why don't want to get down and really do some work. There's this sort of community computer nerd committee that works on the mailing list for a couple of different organizations.

**D** Deborah Bell 33:10

I saw that group of guys and they're not nerds. But well, I Okay. Maybe you

**J** Jack Valinski 33:18

if you're interested in getting involved in helping work on a database or getting you know, learning a little bit about a computer or stuff like that, and how all this stuff is work, give me a call at 5291223. And we work every Thursday night from about 79 or thereabout and the Thursday night, and we're really trying to do some positive work for the community and helping us all get connected in that sense.


**D** Deborah Bell 33:41

Those mailing lists are important. That's how we get the word out, let people know what's going on and all that sort of thing. I want to remind folks again that they can go buy two piece of

which is a coffee house a non smoking, chemically free smoking, chemical free coffee house, the drug of choice is coffee, and that's located at 30 West Alabama, the bread which were heard live here on lesbian gay voices earlier this evening, will be performing in person. And you can also pick up your free passes to the movie, it's packed. So go over there tonight. And enjoy that and then plan on seeing the friends along with a bunch of other people including the star of it's Pat Julia Sweeney. At Nancy Ford's midlife crisis, her 40th birthday, August 14 at the ranch. Nancy has been a wonderful contributor to lesbian and gay voices, right for outsmart and uptown Express and it's just not about anywhere she can get a microphone that's right. But you know, I always say Go girl because she she really is one of those happening kind of people as something's

 Jack Valinski 34:50


coming up in the future. The game has been Political Caucus is going to have their annual dinner on September 24 on a Saturday and the author of queer in America Michael Angelo's signature rally is going to, yes, going to be the guest speaker. And that ought to be a real dynamic thing. And if you haven't had a night out, you chat, you might not meet. If you haven't had enough of parades, our sister city in Dallas is going to have a parade the end of September on the 25th, the weather will be a little bit cooler, that ought to be a lot of fun.

 Deborah Bell 35:21

And it must be fun to go to somebody else's parade where they did all the work.

 Jack Valinski 35:24


Yes, I did that in the only time I did that was in South Florida a few years ago. We'll

 Deborah Bell 35:29

go up there with you if I can wave from a convertible.

 Jack Valinski 35:31

Well, yesterday, but we may do one of those trips that you drive up and come back the same day.

 Deborah Bell 35:37

I love those up to Dallas, you'd be amazed at what people do to have things happen in this community. Yes, we

 Jack Valinski 35:40

**J** Jack Valinski 35:43

thought we were doing a radio show on the way back. We did. Yes. We were interviewing each other. Oh, yeah. That will

**L** Lucy Chappelle 35:49

we, you know, it's always fascinating to find out what's going on. And of course, listening to lesbian gay voices every week is one of the ways to do that. You know? And one of the ways to make sure that lesbian gay voices is here to be heard is to everybody who's on whom That's right. And to support the station. Well, guess what kids It is that time of year again, coming into September, we will be doing another fun drive time here. Yeah. Well, we have Ralph filling in for urinary tonight and very out of the country. So our regard to the big boss, man, wherever in the world he is. We want to thank everyone. We want to thank the people over at two peas coffee bar and having the breads there. You can hear them at nine o'clock tonight live in person. And we're supposed to thank everybody and their dog. Well,

**J** Jack Valinski 36:38

I want to thank Google for supplying the Romanovsky and Phillips

**L** Lucy Chappelle 36:43

that was from Don Knuth. Thanks, Don. A nice Parker for all the work she does in the community, especially her work with the civilian review board and the police advisory board. Happy birthday to Kathy Hubbard

**J** Jack Valinski 36:57

and Elena bourgeois who is working on town meeting too.

**D** Deborah Bell 37:01

I love that English law is so French. Mary Helen for her music and all the work that she does. Congratulations on your new job. It exactly still that green. Still. I love that name. That's a great radio name, Zachary Steele. And of course, the lovely Don I Brene for producing lesbian and gay voices is heard every Friday from six to 8pm here on KPFT in Houston.

**J** Jack Valinski 37:23

And if you'd like to leave us some information

**L** Lucy Chappelle 37:26

on volunteer if you would like to volunteer, you can call



Jack Valinski 37:29

us at 289 2700 which is not the number here at the station but the voicemail number for Lesbian Gay voices. You're listening to KPFT Houston. This is a Pacifica foundation station. This is Jack Valinski. And I'm Deborah Bell. And I'll see you next week at Friday at 6pm. Thanks for joining us.