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Dear Duane,

I respectfully submit the following request to you for future consideration.

Houston being the 4th largest city in the United States has one of the largest and continually growing Gay Communities in the country. I feel that now more than ever all segments of society are showing renewed intrest in the Gay Movement. This intrested is reflected by our politicians once again showing up "in person" at Gay events. The tragedy of AIDS has made people in all walks of life more aware of Gay friends and co-workers and public opinion is slowly showing a belief that Gay members of our society do serve a very active part in making up our world.

It must be understood however by Gay men that they need to have pride in not only themselves as productive members of society but in thier heritage as Gay people. Radio is a very powerful media and what better way to reach out to my community than by radio. That is why I write to you.

If a time slot is ever available, I would like to do a radio program that would be called "AFTER HOURS". The show, in the beginning would rely a great deal on music only to get the attintion of the Gay men in Houston. It is my hope that the music would quickly be replaced with interviews. In the Houston area there are over 80 groups and orginations aimed at Gay men. I would like to see any, hopefully all of these groups wanting to come on AFTER HOURS, (either live or thru pre-recorded interviews) and each of these groups reach outto the community.

The idea time slot for "AFTER HOURS" would be either on a Friday, although I would really perfer a Saturday night (actually Sunday morning). The program would be aired at 2 am, after the bars have closed, hence the title AFTER HOURS.

The 2 a.m. time slot would allow for very open and frank discussions that could not be presented during day or evening hours over the air. I respectfully would seek for the program to be an hour posibly 2 hours in length.

This program would seek out help from all intrested so that any and all people in the Gay community could come in and work on the show, in other words the time and show would belong to the Gay community.

I also offer the use of a 24 hr phone line, usually operating with a phone answering maching to be used as the "central office" (contact) for AFTER HOURS. The phone has already installed in my home and the number would be used in all promo's, news stories, ect as a way for the community to contact the program. The number by the way is 529-4MEN.

I would like to see the music replaced by many different weekly features to be inserted into AFTER HOURS. One such feature thAT I have in mind would be a weekly (or at least monthly) report from Montrose City Councilman George Gerinas. Being an elected city official I'm sure he would show intrest in the show as he now writes a weekly colum for the Montrose Voice.

I honestly feel that the Gay community, if approached correctly, would not only listen to the show but would support the program and KPFT with thier dollars.

I would like to also state that I am not trying to replace or overshadow and other Gay program that is now or someday might be a part of KPFT.

I remember the lonely hours of leaving a bar and going home to my radio. I feel like I could contribute part of myself to AFTER HOURS only to watch the program grow and gain the support of the entire Gay community of Houston.

I would be happy to come into the station, at your request, and discuss more in depth my dreams and plans on how a program such as AFTER HOURS would not only benifit the Gay community but would hopefully come to be a very welcome and respected part of the schedule at KPFT.

If a time slot is ever made available to the Gay community for AFTER HOURS, I would like as much "advance" notice that you could give so that as many guest, advance promotion of the show, ect., could be carried on long before a finished product goes over the air.

I offer to you my word that I would do my best to make AFTER HOURS and important part of Houston's Gay Community and I would do my best to air quality and informative radio.

Sincerely,

Buddy Johnson