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Oh K that was called, of course Carol of the Bells by a group called cast in bronze. Now I know this particular group, but, Robert, you requested this so why don't you tell us about cast in bronze to



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Renaissance Festival last week of the festival Saturday and I caught all three of his shows. His name is Frank dela Pena, and he's in Pennsylvania. And he travels around the country with I guess it's the best way to describe it is an or an organ of Bell's. Yep, it's called a carillon. It weighs about 4000 pounds. So he all of his performances are not primarily indoors. Right. He's primarily beautiful nose. Yes, it is on the Today Show. He did some performances for Epcot. He was out there all 16 weeks for the Renaissance Festival. I heard his first performance last Saturday



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means looking at you like 16 weeks what you see they they rehearse for seven weeks before the Renaissance starts. Oh, the Renaissance. Everything at the renaissance festival starts seven weeks before opening week. Oh, they have seven weeks to get their all their act together. Didn't know that. So it's 14 to 16 weeks. Okay. He has.



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He has a fan club that just started. It's located in Katy. I don't have the address for that. But caston bronze has its own website. He provides his own transportation. He's not supported by public funds at all. All his money coming in or through the sales of his CDs. And so with this in mind, if he doesn't have a performance coming in or his CDs are not selling, then he's without funds. Now, Caroline, Caroline artistry is a fast disappearing art. Nobody really wants to play

Caroline's these days. Yes, they've got a an academy in France, where Frank studied to learn to play his carillon. And the fascinating history of his carillon is is that he acquired all the bells individually. Wow. They're all named for a specific family member. That apparently, family very was a very large family. The family passed away and they had an estate sale. And he had to purchase the bells at auction. And then he had to assemble his carillon himself. Wow.



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I know about this. This God because Jim Vaughn went to Renaissance last year and saw him and bought this CD



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took me to renaissances ago. Oh, see. And we were there for them. formance.



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And that would be w cubed cast in bronze.com.



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And he has three CDs currently offered a new one is scheduled for release within the next six or eight weeks. And he's got previous CDs that apparently are on backorder and you can get from him. But I haven't yet had the opportunity for him to get in touch with me, so that I can pick those up. But I was thoroughly impressed. Yeah, Caroline. Yeah.



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And it's quite different when you see it in person because Jim said you can you feel it? Oh, yes.



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Yeah, the vibration definitely is there. It reverberates throughout the entire body. It's almost like having a full body massage. Oh.



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Okay. If you get close to a few Yes. Gotcha. Okay. Thanks, Robert. Thanks, buddy. Now, before that we heard from the Baring family Christmas album called tau and the Jim Benton trio. It's Christmas time in Texas. And we started it out with Bob rivers. Walking around in women's underwear. Yes, perennial favorite gotta play it or I get phone calls people pitching. So it is 155 156 in the am you're listening to after hours Queer radio with attitude. Right here on good ol

Pacifica station KPFT Houston 90.1 FM. And if you're down there in Galveston way you come pick us up at 89.5. Time for Francisco Sanchez. Hello, Francisco. Good morning. How are you? I'm wonderful. How are you doing?



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Trying to stay warm?



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Yeah. What is this?



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This is winter for Texas. I



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hate it. I hate it. I moved here to get away from cold. This isn't cold compared to Chicago or New York. Yeah, that's true. That's true. Before I get to you got to Seoul. Notice here from our intrepid photographer, Paul, about the events that's going on. Right now. As



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The circuit boys are starting in about an hour.



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Yeah, the circuit boys. It's called spoiled boys, mistletoe. And it's happening at 511 Main Street at mint. And it's starting at 3:30am going to 8:30am on Tuesday. Always was too old for that.



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Bad bye. We finished here with 232 45 limited by three.

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Jimmy Carper 06:05

Yeah, I want to remind folks, and I'll be saying it a little after the top of the hour too when they're leaving the bars and we're gonna go to house of pies. Oh, no. Let's go to this man here. 511 Main Street,

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got circuit party and have everything to say. Hey, President states. What was the name of that circuit party?

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Smoking Toke? There you go.

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Roy is with us again, as usual. Yes. And we've got guests this evening. Jeff Martin and Diane. Devin Tyndall. I knew as Devin I told Roy

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Like Brian said, haven't.

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There you go. That's right. And this is our annual holiday show. Yes. And taking a little bit different course we're gonna be talking again about different ways that people can plan some of their holidays, but also New Year's is coming up. And we've got people that are contemplating what their New Year's resolutions are going to be. And Jeff and Devin are hypnotherapy

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or hypnotist hypnotists. Yes. And

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they can do just a wide array of things and help people achieve some of their personal goals are and they're going to be here and sharing some of that with us. So cool. That's, that's good

are and they're going to be here and sharing some of that with us. So cool. That's, that's good. And Jeff was tell me a little bit about his experience earlier. Because I knew a little bit about hypnotism, but not a whole lot. And I guess, Jeff, you can tell us a little bit about what you do and how you do it and all of that fun stuff.



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Sure. Well, we do mainly is we working with people where for weight loss, and stop smoking and stress management. And, you know, with the New Year's just around the corner, you know, everyone are making, they're making their New Year's resolutions, and hypnosis, and is a perfect way to achieve a goal that at one time, you thought was unreachable. hypnosis can help you change your belief about yourself. And as you change your belief about yourself, you change the person who you are. And it's fascinating to watch people transform. And, you know, I've worked with hundreds of people, and the successes that I've had and working with people and to change their life from one of just really no hope, to a belief in themselves, and what they can do after they have solved you know, some of their own personal problems and achieve their goals. And it's just it is really wonderful working with him.



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Now, I think you just mentioned weight loss and helping people stop smoking. And we had a little bit of a conversation about this earlier. But what sort of what other things do people call you about in terms of wanting help with through hypnosis?



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Well, hypnosis can be used for virtually anything. It's if you want to change a behavior that you have, say it could be, you know, a fear of flying. It could be, you know, being you know, sad.



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Like biting your nails,



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biting nails. That's right.



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David's question, Jeff, here's



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here, so. But if you want to change our behavior, and when you really think about it, you know

here, so. But if you want to change our behavior, and when you really think about it, you know, our behaviors are a part of us, right? If you're thinking about who you are and why you're that way. If you think of your mind as the conscious and subconscious mind, you're right. You may think, you know, our subconscious mind is that part of us that's with us from birth to death. And as it moves from a conscious into the subconscious, it becomes like a habit of ours. So, if you want to change a habit, you, it's very difficult to do so because it's like a part of you. So hypnosis kind of, it's kind of like a computer where you can go back and perhaps erase a behavior and reprogram it for a positive result. So



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let's say for example, let's say, I, let's say I tend to procrastinate, sure, which I do. That's true, except that would be, for example, a behavior that hypnosis might help me



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on program or, absolutely, if you're, if you procrastinate, it's a behavior. It's a learned behavior. Number one, it's probably a learned behavior that you learned very early in your life. And it's, it's an automatic response that you've learned. So it's like a part of you just like your arm or your hand is. So in order to change that behavior, number one, you have to want to change it. And number two, if you have a belief that it can be changed, hypnosis helps you to, to focus your attention to make that change.



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And explain to me, I guess, if you have any questions,



Roy 11:25

or no, I'm really good. I'm just listening in right now what?



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I guess what is the theory behind hypnosis? Or how does it work in terms of what is or maybe I guess we just started, I guess, let's start. Maybe maybe the best way to start is, before we get to that question, sort of in taking the steps and stuff, let's say, I go to you because I wanted to stop procrastinating. Sure. You know, you know, we contact you or Devin and I show up for an appointment. And this is what



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how the process process would work. You would, you know, call me on the phone, I would, you know, set up a free screening. And I would visit with you for about 30 minutes. And I'll explain to you what hypnosis is how it works. And it's actually a screening for you and for me to find

out whether hypnosis will work for you. So what I generally will do is do a couple of tests to find out how well you can focus your attention and and whether or not you really want to change. So

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not not everyone is susceptible to hypnosis. But

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if you were to think about it, like if you wanted to change something and you came to me for a change, I can help you change using hypnosis. Can you be hypnotized virtually, you know, 99% of everyone can be hypnotized if they want to be if you don't want to be there's no one person or anyone that can make you go into that state.

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Roy 12:57

Can you hypnotize someone and make them do something that they would not want to do?

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No, you cannot. Okay. For instance, if if you if you are a smoker, and let's say a friend of yours sent you to me to stop smoking and you didn't want to stop then it wouldn't work. But if you come to see me you want to stop but just don't have the willpower to do it. That I can help you to increase your willpower so that you can get through those humps to become a nonsmoker because it really is to stop smoking is is very easy. using hypnosis for me

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yeah, we have a real high success rate with that for smoking.

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Now, I guess in terms of in terms of success rates and when people are looking for for hypnotist, what do they what do they look for to know that the person is credible that they know what they're doing? And I think maybe some people may have I guess, the wrong impression. I you know, I was exposed to two people into this profession several years ago and got to learn about a lot about its effectiveness and sure, but I mean for people that you know, just don't have that sort of background or the LHC is you know, the hippies and they see on Jerry Springer and sure you know that sort of thing that that what did they know what what should people be looking for when they're looking for a hypnotist and looking for to get help and through that avenue?



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What I tell people is, you know, it's okay to get on the internet and do some searching. But you know, you want to make sure that the hypnotist is certified, and that he has got it from an accredited organization. You know, like the National guild of hypnotist, which is you know, the largest in the nation is a very good one. There is American Board of hypnotherapy in the international medical and dental hypnotherapy association. So there's national organizations that you belong to that have minimum requirements and standards that you have to keep up and you do need to do continuing education with each organization.



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And what's what is the how does if you want to be certified, for example, what sort of training did you have to go through and other different other different specialties, in terms of



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the initial training that I received, I got about 350 hours of class time, okay. And there was, it was case studies. So during that process, I was I was working with people and I was being supervised. And it was all done by a local company here, which is the Pet Foundation, and who do a very good job of, of taking you through the process of, from basic hypnosis all the way up to they have cell command therapy, which is something that they have patented, that that I use. So, and also since then I've taken, you know, other courses up, you know, have over 1000 hours of class time now. And so every year, you know, I add class time to it. So, you know, between Devin and I, with hypnosis, and NLP, which is neuro linguistic programming, we have, you know, 1000s of hours of class time, and working with people to help them to change their habits. And



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whether you're in the same practice, or do you have a separate practice or heading?



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Well, how it works is I have a practice in The Woodlands down which is woodlands hypnosis. And what we're doing beginning in January 1 is is we are opening up its we're calling it gallery hypnosis and we are doing some of that right now. But we're finalizing the paperwork on a location that will be in the Galleria area, to work with people in this area also. So we will be working, you know, here in Houston and in The Woodlands, Woodlands area.



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And I guess the question is popped in mind because this is a must are



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are some of our audiences that targeted sort of Latino gay lesbian community? Sure if someone has a relative or something who doesn't speak English, I guess hypnosis you they should obviously be able to communicate, I guess, in Spanish and not how does someone get information on referrals for something like that?



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Through the organizations that I belong to, okay, I would give them a person's name that spoke, you know, Spanish or or, or or whatever, because there are other people in the area that that do that. And



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how to how to someone if they wanted to contact you to get more information about



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if they wanted to contact my office, either the woodlands or the gallery office, they would call 281-363-0783. And do you have a website? Yes, they do have a website under woodlands hypnosis.com. You



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know, there are links on there for example, to to get more information because in some of the accrediting organizations if



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they wanted to do further research, the National guild has their own website, the International Medical and Dental hypnotherapy does. The American Board has their own website.



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Okay. And we'll come back with some more questions right now. We're gonna take a little music break and listen to some Christmas music. You will be the first one is Jingle Bells and second sleigh rides. So we'll be back right after these two songs



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we're back. So that was Jingle bells, and sleigh ride in Spanish. So hope you enjoyed it.



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Well, I certainly did. Yeah, really cool. talking



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to Jeff and Devin. And Roy brought up an interesting point. For the for those of us that for those of you that have children or are gay and lesbian parents on the hypnosis hypnotism can also work with with children and right so very good question.



Roy 19:15

I was wondering if you have a child that may seem to be a slow learner, if hypnotism can help them, because I'm of the belief that no child is stupid, that from the moment they're born as an infant, straight on up through the middle years of grade school, there's a phenomenal explosion of learning going on in that young child's head. I mean, they are learning through sight and smell and touch and they're learning a whole bunch of stuff. And then when they become a toddler, and they're going around on all fours and causing mom and dad to have cardiac arrest, don't go in there, but they're still going around. And then they are learning they are exploring and all these things as the child gets on, into like the middle years of grade school, then all of a sudden they can start coming home with report cards of D's and F's and just really bad and can hypnotism help a slow learner, a cow that is having difficulty with the basics and things of that nature?



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Absolutely, hypnosis can be used to help to compliment virtually any type of learning experience when it when a child is very young. Like what you said there they're learning is just it's at a rate that it's faster than at any time in their whole life in just those few first years, now, if the important thing is to with the child is or with anyone is to make sure that they're developing good habits. Now everyone learns different you know, some people are more kinesthetically, some more visual, some more audio kinesthetic. Yeah, by touch,



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their sense of touch, like football players usually learn better by having something they can feel. And



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so depending on, you know, how they're being instructed. A child may learn in just a different way. And if that's not pointed out to that child, or accessed, that the child can be presumed to be a slow learner. But not necessarily. They just learn a little differently. And hypnosis can help them to focus in on that

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Roy 21:43

can hypnotism help you learn a foreign language.



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Let me put it this way, if you feel really good about yourself, and you're relaxed, now you retain more information. Most of them yeah. So hypnosis is a relaxing, if you relax the mind, he relaxed the body. And as you do so, you can focus on what you want to do. As you focus on it. You you you're not distracted. So you become like a small child, who learns very quickly. Does that make sense to you? Absolutely. Okay, now,



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and on that note, I guess, I mean, you know, life I can say is more stressful than it's ever been, you know, you've got, like we're talking about to break this horrible traffic in the city. And just those small things, you just, you know, just weigh people down on an everyday basis, you no longer work hours, you got to work more to earn the same amount of money and all these things. And in terms of what you mentioned, in terms of relaxing the mind and relaxing the body, I think this gift that can do good wonders for a lot of people. But in terms of in your practice, if you weren't into it, anyone, for example, that that is HIV positive, or has AIDS and has like a need for? I mean, it certainly is there any benefit in terms of hypnosis for someone in that situation that maybe in terms of your stress relief and stress management, aside from that person, I'm a little bit about that. And then maybe there's anything else that someone may be aside from if they are they shouldn't be smoking and things like that. But if you encountered anything like that, in your practice, well,



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you know, with visualization, if you can see something with the mind, and to say go within yourself and see like a cancer cell and dissolve that in one way or the other, then hypnosis can complement. Other Other methodology, other methodology Exactly. Now, it doesn't replace it. But it can complement it. It's just like, you know, if I was very, very sick, and I was going into surgery, if I had a very poor attitude and felt really bad, my chances of getting through the operation would be less than if I had a really good attitude and felt very positive. Right. So people, how you think about yourself has a tremendous result in how your body is going to recover. Right.



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And in terms of you mentioned, other methodologies, and I guess what other professionals do you work with closely in terms of what you do with with clients in any sort of particular situation? Do you deal with it? Do you deal with physicians, psychologists and psychiatrists are

it in terms of being able to complement something someone's already doing? I guess it's unique. Do you ever situation what they're dealing with, but what professionals do y'all work with or collaborate with? Well,



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I work with or have worked with in the past doctors, I've worked with some psychologists and helping them in specific areas. So you know, if a person you know, like I don't work with people for without a doctor's prescription, for instance, if if they have a serious injury or a disease? Now, if a doctor writes a prescription for something like that, then I work, you know, under the doctor to help a patient get better. Okay? Okay. So it's very effective when it's really just complementing what the doctor is doing. Okay? I



Roy 25:20

was wondering, and this is gonna sound really kind of strange. But can hypnotism be used? Or has it ever been used to, in place of or to aid an anesthesiologist before surgery?



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Yes, it has. And, you know, there have been studies that have shown that there, you know, hypnosis, you know, can be used for that, you know, if a person is is really, if you think of yourself or someone that, you know, that is very stressed. And when a body is stressed and uptight, it tightens up. Correct. Okay. So if you have an injury that's going to make that injury worse, or make it hurt more, right, okay. So just by relaxing the mind relaxing the body, the person, you know, will feel better. Now, for as far as surgery, you know, I don't hypnosis can be, but it's it's the case is, you know, they don't do that so much in the United States, if you're thinking about, you're not going to replace anything that we use. Now. If it's not available, hypnosis would be a very good alternative. Now, if you're thinking of, like, for women that are going to have a baby, crew, okay, the LeMans technique is, you know, like, it teaches a woman how to breathe, teaches her how to relax her body. And when that happens, she can she can give birth with less pain or no pain.



Roy 27:08

I accept your I accept your explanation. You



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know, there's 1000s, and probably millions of women that go through the LeMans and experience very little pain. That's what I mean, if you're looking at the how the how the body reacts, if you change your breathing, then you're going to change your physiology.



Roy 27:21

 Roy 27:51

I mean, that really doesn't make a lot of sense week because it's kind of I'm kind of thing. Someone's to say mind over matter, but it's really not. But it's kind of close kin to mind over matter. Yeah,

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cuz I was gonna bring me I guess we started I would start it off on this question. And I asked, I guess first how the process works in terms of getting an appointment or how you know, how you how you initiate the process. But I guess what is the in terms of mind over matter of what is it in terms of between the hypnosis that you conducted your end? And then for example, let's say, You're hypnotizing me, what's the interaction between? What is it that activates the mind and through hypnosis to be able to select it layman's explanation of what the what the mechanics are of, of that as a method? Yeah,

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well, I guess I can answer that best by explaining that. You know, all hypnosis is really self hypnosis. And if a person wants to change something, I can, when I take them through a process, you know, if they'll take the suggestions that I give them, what they'll do is they'll put themselves into a, like a trance state. And as they do that, then because the more relaxed they'll and if I give them suggestions that they want to do, not something that I think that they should do, okay, so, you know, I talked to people in length to find out, you know, what they want to do, and then I help them to accomplish it. Now, if you were to close your eyes, and focus on your breathing for a minute or two, you would be going into an altered state. Okay, just closing your eyes is an altered state. Okay? When you when you really think about it, it's it's, it's hypnosis is a way to, to change a belief about yourself. And as you begin to change that belief, then you can change. It's like, unless you really believe you can do something then you really can't do it.

 Roy 29:52

And I see where he's coming from, because it has always been kind of like one of my life rules. that, if you can think it, and if you can believe it, you can do it. You know, and you may not. Because just remember that getting to from point A to point B. Getting to point B is not the big part, the big part of the journey from point A to point B, and the learning process that's involved in that, you

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know, when you when you're talking about someone that is, is a smoker, a smoker is going to be smoking more when they're nervous when they're stressed or when they're bored.

 Roy 30:32

True. I mean, like when you came in tonight. I mean, the short time that you was in the back

that. I mean, like when you came in tonight, I mean, the short time that you was in the back lobby there. I know, I smoked three cigarettes and that's your time.



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Yeah. Yeah. So if you had a way of being, you know, less stressed, and then you would smoke less, wouldn't you? I'm not stressed.



Roy 30:53

No, no, no, no, really. And you know, it's funny, because and also when you're occupied, and you're doing stuff that you enjoy doing I smokeless? Because I'm more focused on what I'm doing, and enjoying myself and what I'm doing that I am.



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When you're feeling better about yourself. Yeah, yeah. Or like,



Roy 31:15

it seems like I can't go 30 minutes without a cigarette. Sometimes. But when I went to see, excellent, the new excellent writer. Yeah, that was a two hour movie. I you know, cigarettes was the furthest thing from my mind. I went to see the Titanic when it came out. That's what was what a three hour movie. You know, I cigarettes were not even on my mind. Yeah, yeah. I was enjoying with them. But



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you know, there's, there's a lot of methods out there helping people to stop smoking. In my opinion, hypnosis is the best. Because I work with people who have tried the patch who have tried the gum who have tried,



Roy 31:56

that is me, I have spent I'm serious. And this last year, I have spent close to \$300. Yes, on everything in the market. And it's just like I just gave up on that. And



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they're in the reason is, is because they will work. You're trying to it, you're not changing the habit. Hypnosis helps you to change your habit. And you have it now is smoking, you're doing it consciously and subconsciously. So we have we work at both levels. We work at the conscious and the subconscious level. It's like a person who is who's overweight. A person

that's overweight is doing the same thing that you're doing with smoking. They're they eat when they're nervous, stressed and bored. And a person, the people that I work with have tried, you know, many other diet programs. Well, when you really think of the word diet, the first three letters in the word diet or die.

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Roy 32:49

He's ever true. Yes.



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So you know, I've known people who have gone on diets and actually gained weight and ate less. Because what happens is, you're you're giving that signal to your your subconscious mind that you're trying to kill yourself. So using hypnosis, you do it in a way that is accepted. So you feel better about yourself. You're going to exercise if you feel better about yourself, you're gonna exercise more, if you if you stay up. You're going to be focused on what you want to do. What happens with many people is, is they'll step on a scale. And in three or four days, they've



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probably been dead air.



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I guess we're really good. Okay.

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Roy 33:33

Here we had a caller called,



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I have a practice in Houston. And how can you be reached? Oh, there it is. And how can I be reached? I did not bring my glasses I wasn't expecting to read tonight. So I do apologize for that. Yes, I do have a practice in Houston. And it's in the Galleria area. And you can be reached at 281-363-0783 and it's woollen at Mr. Woodlands hypnosis. Well, it's woodlands hypnosis.com. And I guess hypnosis.



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It's H yp and OSI Yes, it is. Just so people know. We're gonna after we come back, we're gonna take a little break and come back and listen and talk a little bit about the holidays. And Jeff and David, thank you for coming. But two silly questions before y'all head out of here. Surely, there

are pet chiropractors. does hypnosis work for pets?



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I haven't personally worked with pets or they have no evidence to do



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it. No, I do not



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know exactly what there's actually chiropractors that work on pets and that sort of thing that would



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make sense for them and other for a chiropractor, because, you know, they they're, you know, they work with bones. You know, there does need to be some kind of communication. Although I can say that, you know, I've worked with many people. You In hypnosis and that have pets and what tends to happen when I'm working with the other person is as that person slows down the dog if they're jumping up and barking as I go through the session the dog tends to calm down also. So whether it's what I'm saying Are they just know that their master has as being relaxed that calms the dog? I really don't know but that is phenomenal you know, dogs and cats tend to be more relaxed you know during the session.



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And what's the what's one of the strangest requests you've gotten as a hypnotist? When people someone has called the problem



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the strangest the strangest besides besides working with you two gentlemen here as well this is about the strangest right here.



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I find it hard to believe Sandy referred us So Sandy sent Jeff and Devin over so I'm sure they've heard Stranger Things from Sandy





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Thank you very much Sandy.



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Well, Jeff and Devin thank you for coming by and explaining that to us I think is people especially accepting a lot of friends that always say we're going to quit smoking this year or we're going to do this this year and maybe this will help someone along hopefully you'll some people will consider this as an option.



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We enjoyed it and once again that phone number is 281-363-0783



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Jeff and Devin thank you we're gonna take a little music break before we speak and talk about the holidays we'll listen to one song and then we'll be right back thank you for listening after hours on KPFT



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messy though those fans have been Whoa, okay, now what was that?

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That was me just getting on hypnotized. No.

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No, I meant the music. Okay.

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That was asbestos and a Leo. That's a traditional Mexican arrangement around Christmas. The literal translation is fish in the river. It's a neat little piece.

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Yes, very nice. Very nice. And it's 238 in the am you're listening to after hours, Queer radio with attitude right here on KPFT Houston 90.1, a Pacifica radio station and 89.5 down there in

Galveston. And it's it's another opportunity to tell you about what's going on in just about one hour. Down at mint, located at 511 at Main Street at Prairie spoiled boys mistletoe, a special after hours party going on from 330 till 830 This morning, DJ Josh Graham has flown in from Wichita,



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and how exciting for him



Jimmy Carper 41:22

switching off with our own Chris still cool doing all kinds of wonderful music for you. And of course you know these kinds of little circuit parties means that's where the beautiful people are. Without shirts without shirt or



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this little circuit boy to spell Christmas with an ex but



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I don't want to marry them. I just wanna Yeah. Yeah, I do. To keep boys meant I've not been to meant neither of I've



Roy 42:02

never heard of it until tonight. I've 11



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Main Street at Prairie



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chickens got Eve you're hosting it on the way.



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Hope you have a good party. Yeah,



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Roy 42:10

no one called that I have heard of his club. Oh, we're the crew of after hours. We will be there.



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Next week, next Saturday night will be there. And



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Paul is here. So if you want to see pictures of the little shirtless boys on Seattle dotnet or the next few days, I'm sure he'll be there with his digital camera. It will now want to see the pictures that don't get posted.



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He never shows us though.



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All bad shows up. He could at least give us a little tidbit. So much. The little



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tidbits. Yes. So that's how some folks are gonna be spending their holiday tonight at mistletoe. And probably got about five minutes before we head to the next segment. So we just wanted to kick around some little ideas on the holidays and do something a little bit different in the past couple years, I think ever since 911. I think some of our charities have suffered. Yeah, I think people actually look at holidays a little bit differently. So we wanted to OutSmart did this in part. In their December issue. They highlighted some local charities that people can, as they say, share the wealth with and maybe give during the Christmas list is try to include some folks in our community

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Roy 43:28

share the well. I think the cover?



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Who is that? Actually?



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Who cares? Scott rice? Yes, send him over.



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And he will looks like he probably will be at mistletoe tonight. Yeah,



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he does that look.



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And so there's different if you look at OutSmart magazines, a couple of suggestions on some charities that people may want to send a contribution to one, including the assistance fund. There, you can give them a call at 713-529-4788 or just look up the assistance fund.org. They're gonna organization that has been around since a little over 10 years since 91. And they help people that are on medical, disability, HIV and AIDS. And I think you've been through through more illnesses now, but deal people helping them pay for their insurance policies, which is not only a resource to people that are HIV positive, who prefer to keep their physician and their private insurance but also does a tremendous amount to be able to help people keep paying for their insurance, keep them off public assistance and taxpayers out but, you know, is someone that if I were in that situation, I would prefer to keep my own private insurance and to continue to see the physician that I want to see.



Jimmy Carper 44:45

Well, there's been some studies done and if you can afford a private physician, you're much better your chances of survival are much greater than if you're in an HMO. or, or if you're on public assistance, because in those two areas, you don't always see the same doctor. So, you know, you don't have that history with with the person who knows you and knows your condition. It's like starting all over again every time you go to the doctor. So it's it's very, very important.



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And this is an essential function because it just seems to me that once you would start getting sick to the point where it's difficult to go to work that, you know, that's when you're at most risk of losing your insurance policy.



Roy 45:33

I know this for a fact that the assistance fun has helped. So many people they have helped so many of my friends. You know, they have done just a phenomenal, phenomenal job.



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And Ken Malone, his executive director out there has done a phenomenal job. And if you're listening, thanks for all the work that you do. Another organization that actually is not featured here, but it does. It does a great job as the Montrose clinic headed up by Katie Caldwell, you can look them up at [Montrose clinic.org](http://Montroseclinic.org). And they just didn't they actually just had to do a staff reduction as well as their administrative tab yes took a voluntary pay cut and to cut back and just to be able continue to provide services so visit [Montrose clinic.org](http://Montroseclinic.org). And while doing that and also this year, I think if expanded their health care outreach, I think I know people can swing by and get a flu shot Yeah, and they're taking on more things that are more general approach to making sure that the gay lesbian community has access to health care and that her unique needs are identified yes or so check out [Montrose clank.org](http://Montroseclank.org) and tried to help them out as well. And I



Roy 46:43

just want to say sort of the flu shot and everybody's hearing about there is such a shortage in the country right now of the flu vaccine there is no shortage of guarantees we do not we are not experiencing a shortage here and use that if you're in the right age group you will have to get a shot you get the thing they ship you know the it's a it's a new spray that goes up to those for people up to age



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Free Will you stick it up your nose girl



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oh he does more than more than just as



Roy 47:17

we we had to get stuck in the arm



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What do you mean arm



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go in there okay, it's actually an inhaled version of the same shot that they give you whenever the shot you just sniffed up your nose and then you get the same crap as if you got the shot. Oh.

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boy seven



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immunity is good. immunity is has pretty well rehearsed and if you need if you need a quick crash course visit mistletoe starting. Visit the bathroom at de menthe and you will see plenty of live demonstrations for your education purposes.



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And you'll see several pairs of feet.



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Yeah, and you wonder why they leave the toilet doesn't flush. They weren't exactly when they're doing. They weren't conserving water. You know what I made going just check that. Also positive. Houston gay lesbian community center has a positive art workshop that's being directed right now by Ryan Fugate who I know we both went through HATCH together some time ago. Oh, really? Yeah. And now he is director of the bimonthly class that helps people HIV and AIDS. Healing Through through through art. And



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they do that every year. And it's it's just amazing work. Oh, yeah.



Roy 48:53

If you haven't seen it, you really incredible stuff.



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Yeah, I'll check it out. You can check that out at Houston LGBT community center.org. And they're planning to do a benefit in February to raise funds. But if you can help them out earlier, that'd be even better. Couple of my personal favorite charities check out MD anderson.org. Children's defense.org And Sierra club.org. If you're looking for something a little more general, not just gay and lesbian specific. MD Anderson, you know, I'm a big fan of things. I went through a couple of years. Yes. Do phenomenal work there. The Children's defense.org that advocate for children's issues here in Texas at the national level, providing health insurance coverage and advocating for for the needs of kids. Sierra club.org. Obviously environmental

group does a lot of work with educating people about clean air, clean water and just a myriad of other issues. So check those out. And OutSmart magazine also has the, the listing for other or connotations that you might be interested in helping out that that serve our communities. Yes. So, as you think about your shopping for the holidays, don't forget to share a little bit with with folks you can do a lot with with



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thanks to Tim over there at OutSmart timber go over rocks. He does rocks, he's always doing, you know, new and different things. Yeah, in the magazine,



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or something and look for something in January, you know, I forget I forgot to get back with him. He's okay. Do something. And he's, I think they did an issue, I think in January, February of last year with discussed community concerns. And yeah, and he's been he's planning to do that again. So check that out. Speaking of



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Tim, in either, it's not tied down yet, but either the January or the February issue



Jimmy Carper 50:53

is doing a spotlight on after hours is black on black black segment. Oh, he's interviewing Steven Jerome and Dionne Redman. And because this program is the only place in Houston, you can hear about GLBT black people, or black GLBT people or black, same gender loving people.



Roy 51:22

Now also, you know, before we get too far away, yes. On the people that you want to remember, you know, your characters, and while you're doing your Christmas spending, I do want to say, if you made your pledge to KPFT, and you haven't, send in your pledge.



Jimmy Carper 51:41

That's right. That's right. And will there'll be another, our next year's first membership drive will be coming up the usually the end of January, beginning of February. So keep that in mind and, and pledge some support to after hours. We've been here for over 16 years now, bringing you wonderful programming every Saturday night, and we want to continue to do so.



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We're also I wanted to mention why we're talking about this yes, if you've got a little bit extra time on your hands on Friday or Saturday night, and you don't want to go to the clubs, you can get a hold of Q Patrol where you're doing patrols on Friday and Saturday nights. And the number is 7135 to eight safe and just give Chris a call and volunteer to come down and go out on a patrol with us see what we're doing and help cut down on the hate crimes and the unfortunate attack that just happened here. Reese? Yes. We're trying to get our membership up higher. Yeah.



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Because we'll be talking more about that at the top of the hour when we're into our roundtable.



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And what is it does Q Patrol have a website are there other than I know there are listed in the OutSmart as a as an organization that people will want to consider donating to if they do do they just call 713528 safeeraser a website as well. Do you know,



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is there a website?



Chris Harrison 53:13

It's a yahoo group is what we have.



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Right? Okay. Okay.



Chris Harrison 53:15

It's groups.yahoo.com/groups Group slash Q Patrol Houston 713528.



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If you would call it



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w cubed. Yahoo. groups.com. And then when they you know, you have that little box there, just put in



Chris Harrison 53:37

Q Patrol Houston. Okay. You can email us at Q Patrol. houston@yahoo.com.



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Okay, that works even better that way. And then



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how about for my Christmas gift? I tried fighting to see if I can donate jello website? Yeah. Let me look into that. And also, I guess, a unfortunately, a more somber note in terms in terms of giving as well. Ross Allen, who we just lost recently. Yes. And I meant to bring this up, because I think one of the things that gets overlooked about Ross is his commitment to the Hispanic community, not just you know, oh, I didn't know that. But Ross had just had such Ross and I were registering people when I was 19 years old. In some of Houston's Hispanic neighborhoods and having were known Ross, on that level was just an experience I think we people overlook. And never a lot of people didn't get to see that side or bras. I think he probably had more passion for Hispanic politics and empowering Hispanic community that they needed for our community. And he will be missing him this New Year's Eve, He always was the unassured Midnight Mass at St. Ann's Catholic Church. And I don't know if you read his obituary, instead of flowers or anything like that. And remember, surprise, she could make a contribution to St. Anne Catholic church. I



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was wondering about that. Yeah. So feel free to do that as well.



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And that should wrap us up for the Latino Hour segment here on after hours and then folks will be here for the roundtable discussion. I'm gonna go grab some breakfast maybe drive by mint and see what little circuit boys are walking cold or no cold I'm sure they're running around shirtless at the moment. And you're gonna



Roy 55:25

you're gonna see what kind of little sweet treats you can get. Just



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spread some holiday cheeks I mean cheer



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Yes, folks. Francisco is the top



Roy 55:40

out of the closet.



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Indeed. Francisco Thank you and have a Merry Christmas. Thank



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you bet we'll see you next month.



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Okay, now we've got something a little bit rude here on the Christmas side show Oh, you expect it This is Judy to nuda and this came out quite a while ago it's on the Go Go boys gay apparel Christmas CD. And it's called a Christmas wish from the goddess



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years



Jimmy Carper 56:13

here's the lake great Sid Spencer with please come home for Christmas. And before that we had the South Coast chorale with coming out for Christmas and we started that out with Judy to nuda a Christmas wish from the goddess you're listening to after hours Queer radio with attitude on KPFT Houston 90.1 FM, a Pacifica radio station. And if you're down in Galveston, you can pick us up at 89.5 and let's see it is time for a little roundtable who voted here we got the David's here. Oh wait. And who's in the talk studio?



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Matt?



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Chris, we're on Oh.



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Chris joined the restaurant.



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Chris sorry, he



Chris Harrison 57:15

played Judy to nude and I still have flashbacks where she was getting an eight year old to put batteries in her vibrator.



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And the problem with this is



Chris Harrison 57:27

that eight year olds father gave him the batteries to give to God



Merlin 57:33

somewhere in this happy little studio building actually is Joseph He's around here somewhere.



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So I think he's hiding in the other room.



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He actually made it he's here is



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stuffing his face with pizza. Oh



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I bet if I go into the lobby since he's all alone he'll come flying and



Chris Harrison 57:56

be gentle he's in recovery



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yeah well aren't we all that guy and guess what I need recovery for your legacy



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but he's not alone out there he's got a big one for company of dear ally right



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run for the hills people



Chris Harrison 58:20

make ROI on my x



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I don't think anybody would watch the big ROI is made for radio will love you big if



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you're not in the control room or the talk studio you get talked about



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Yes, I'm sure Jimmy has been on the receiving end of it enough times when he's



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on the receiving end of a lot of things that he didn't long time



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he knew exactly what he was



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happy holidays yes once again yes we



Chris Harrison 59:01

put the hoe and holiday



Merlin 59:10

when I require to have a sex life in order to be



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not necessarily you can use use your hand



Chris Harrison 59:22

or if you're on the farm you actually use a hoe Well, that's one way to plow your back 40



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Not me



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okay, and Chris's mic gets turned off



Merlin 59:45

you kidding he's the only one telling the good jokes right now.



Chris Harrison 59:49

Yeah, yes, I'm in good mood. Now. You already switched back to bitch mode.



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We can hardly tell



Merlin 59:57

it no bitch mode at least know the day difference between his current one and vich mode is right now he's smiling



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yeah and a bunch of sugar



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okay



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what's on the roundtable there?



Chris Harrison 1:00:17

A soda



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up the NBB



Chris Harrison 1:00:22

yeah bad on yes we have extra thick here



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are you talking about smiley again?



Chris Harrison 1:00:29



Chris Harrison 1:00:29

I'm sorry I've I have been requested that I do no longer speak about Smiley's penis



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well I didn't promise and I did



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neither I made no sense



Chris Harrison 1:00:42

so we'll be discussing the nose that comes out of a smiley boxer shorts well and how would like to blow it without using a tissue



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all my information comes from him so I mean cuz I have not had the privilege of seeing it myself.



Merlin 1:00:58

If you're not gonna provide the information. We're going to talk about the information. YEAH.



Chris Harrison 1:01:05

Jimmy got a little bit of a talking here for for being away. Yeah,



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you got read. He read you for being a



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night off? I would think so. We'll get ready because January's coming up January



Merlin 1:01:20

is coming up. That means Jimmy will be away and because they will not see him for a week. At least two. Maybe two will play



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two I will be gone two weeks. suntan lotion again. I'm leaving. Yes. I'm leaving on the sixth and I'll be back to he'll be here he'll



Merlin 1:01:38

be tan for about a week against



Chris Harrison 1:01:45

just trying to figure out with just trying to coordinate my schedule there. We have a conflict.



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No, I don't



Merlin 1:01:53

Yes, absolutely no conflict. He hears the word Hawaii and all the conflict goes right.



Chris Harrison 1:02:02

Okay, well then here's the thing if I can't play bartender that night, when you get back we're going to have a dozen big men coming in here getting you and not in the way you want getting me what?



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Think about no fat guy sitting on you.



Chris Harrison 1:02:20

Okay, so that's gonna be the most most pressure and flesh he's gotten in while



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I was trying to be nice.



Chris Harrison 1:02:29

There's a thin line between suffocation and erotica. We'll be lucky to be able to say it that night next



Merlin 1:02:44

I just want to mention it on a serious note here just a momentary thing especially on the show on this show, the loss of a friend of ours community who you know a lot of people knew but a lot of people just saw him in passing because he used to deliver the Houston voice to a lot of the locations Baba Tom Lafferty who has an old friend of mine passed away about a week and a half ago he was a member of the leather community and we always you know like the paper said like the voice said on his open you know they always thought that he was you know he would survive just to spite everybody he had a bad heart and it finally get I guess it just finally gave anyhow much love to you know all of his friends and close people and family and stuff and we're gonna miss you. Yeah. Oh man. Yo, yo leather man you so much love All right. Well, that was my serious moment. Cohen



Chris Harrison 1:03:55

what a downer you are



Roy 1:03:59

I just heard it was a serious moment



Chris Harrison 1:04:03

we got a a Christmas card from David who put a letter in here specifically to me



Roy 1:04:12

well you actually got to pin



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part of it was the influx could



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kill ROI with



Chris Harrison 1:04:22

like David's comment earlier if looks could kill Roy would have died the first time he looked in a mirror



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I did not have a card though.



Chris Harrison 1:04:32

It's an it's a French horn. Yeah, the French horn with the holly knows the the note from David is actually a similar theme. It's in part of Smiley's letter was regarding the recent assault on Alan Tobin Tibbets in the Montrose and kind of based off of my rant my soapbox that I went on last week.



Merlin 1:04:55

Unnecessary one though. Yes, yeah to be said.



Chris Harrison 1:05:00

For those who didn't hear it, let's put it this way at the end of it Roy was speechless.



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We know how difficult that is. Usually



Chris Harrison 1:05:06

that takes a handout toffee




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duct tape a cock





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if looks could kill, but no, I


 Roy 1:05:25
would have been dead.


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Okay, but it works the first time, Roy a couple


 Chris Harrison 1:05:31
of comments, like I said from from both David and smiley were about the incident and they're interested in joining up to Q Patrol once they are free of their current situations. And unfortunately, David, we do have the non interventionist part. So we don't go out and kick ass and take names, which is part of the reason we don't have as many lesbians in the US because every every one of the lesbians have come up to me lately who wants to join the patrol when we say we're non interventionist, you can't get out and beat the hell out of somebody, they get really disappointed. And then leave. So but we do need people to come out there and walk the streets with us and join us on there. A few

 Merlin 1:06:14
people out there this night weren't. Tonight,

 Chris Harrison 1:06:17
we had the what's normally our first Friday. We did it on the second Saturday was do the queue with the lawyers group. Yeah. And we had a nice crowd that came out for here. We've gotten a lot of coverage in our community about this incident. And not sure where it's going to lead to, but hopefully, something good will come out of this. It was especially scary after finally seeing the pictures of the victim and the Houston voice. I

 Roy 1:06:45
had no idea that and it was really quite sad. And it was quite disgusting. What these were these punks do to this guy, right,

 Merlin 1:06:55
I didn't see the

 Chris Harrison 1:06:57
pipe, a pipe. So hopefully we can get some good to come out of this. It's sad that it takes this

but hopefully, this will make the community up and basically, you just have to be careful out there. You're going to just follow the same safety rules you're going to hear them telling you when it comes to shopping at the malls, this this Christmas time. You know, keep your head up, know what's around you. Be alert, have your keys in your hand ready to use and you know, don't get so hammered. That you don't know where in your hell you're at. And walk with somebody has a reason to pick up a trick.

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Roy 1:07:38

You know, purpose, even if you even if you don't have a purpose. Even if you are lost, at least look like you know where you're going. And fortunately

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Chris Harrison 1:07:45

I will say this we have seen the especially here tonight we saw an increase in police activity. Patrolling the neighborhood we saw some constables, Constable precinct one. Yeah, there was there was what two or three of them two or three there was a sheriff's deputy was patrolling the area as long as well as HPD. So it was good to see that increased presence. Yeah, yeah, out there. And look,

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Roy 1:08:09

Chris, I've heard that since that pipe attack. There's been a few more attacks.

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Chris Harrison 1:08:15

Well, now what? Here's her the whole story of what's been happening. What you hear was the reports, when Alan Timmons went to the hospital, the CT technician told him a CT technician CAT scan, scan. And one of the hospital employees told him that there were five to six other people who came to that hospital recently, with similar injuries telling similar stories. As of right now, they have been unable to confirm at the police department have not received any records of this. And hospital officials haven't been able to locate this. So we're not sure if this actually happened or not. But like I said, so what we've been saying is that we had one assault and we have rumors of at least five other assaults in a similar manner. Now whether or not all these assaults occurred in the Montrose area, or our city wide, were they occurred if they occurred, we're

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Roy 1:09:15

still not sure. So it might just be an urban legend. And we're not

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Chris Harrison 1:09:20

like I said, we're not sure but it's better safe to be sorry. And fortunately, I think what happened

with this story is that between the story coming out, and actually I think KPFT was the first one to break it because they were covering the story last week here on the KPFT news. After it came out and the story was heard some individuals I'm not sure if they actually are with it but Sanders was claiming to be with Park Queer Nation began putting up fliers in the neighborhood. Basically saying we're not going to take it we're queers fight back now all this for Queer fight propaganda. And that's when I think the story started to really grow legs. And the Chronicle did an article on it Tuesday morning. And then of course, when the Chronicle carrier something, then the broadcast news decides it's, it's, it's newsworthy. And and I can tell you from from answering the phone calls it was fast and furious that these news agencies started to call and get this stuff together. And the fact that it took to that level so quickly, it's surprising that we're that you're starting to get this kind of coverage in our community of something that couldn't be considered a hate crime. As of now, it still hasn't been classified as a hate crime. And that comes from the fact that when Alan was attacked, he didn't hear any gay epitaphs. He didn't hear him saying, hey, faggot, hey, Queer, anything like that. It's assumed that because he was in the neighborhood, he was wearing an HRC hat and a shirt that had a similar Queer logo on it, that that was the reason. But as of right now, it's not classified as a hate crime until they do further investigation.

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Roy 1:11:19

But it is important anybody, whether you here in the Montrose or wherever you are in the city, if you are the victim of an assault, if you are the victim of a hate crime report, even if you don't, do not get injured. If you're a victim of a hate crime, it must be reported. You're walking down the street, a car comes by somebody yells out an epitaph and throws a beer bottle that shouldn't be reported. And you may think, Well, I don't have that much of a description. Well, every little bit of a description that you give, and the next person gives a little bit more, as soon as possible starts taking shape with the at the police department, and they start being able to look for somebody. And

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Merlin 1:12:05

even if you simply are stating that it happened and making a report that it happened. At least they know that's significant in itself, because they know that it's out there. It's been said, and it's known.

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Chris Harrison 1:12:21

In fact, Alan did call Q Patrol this occurred on the Friday after Thanksgiving. He called Q Patrol up and left a message on our voicemail. We were on patrol Saturday night and we made sure we kept an eye on that area, which Avondale and Whitney, actually was an incident there six years ago, at the same corner, and they when it goes down Avondale knows it is dark. It's spooky, it's a scary place to




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be going down little area back there. And

 Chris Harrison 1:12:49


like I said, some things are gonna be there's gonna be some changes with that. There are some members of that community that are having a sit down meeting. I

 Roy 1:12:58

think they're put streetlights down there.

 Chris Harrison 1:13:00

We're not sure what's going to happen with that. The next here's what the next step is, okay. Some members of the community are going to be meeting with HPD officials. This upcoming week, there's going to be a sit down meeting to go over something in a small manner, just as a small group of community members and community and leaders and activists. That's going to be happening eventually here, you're probably going to be hearing soon have a larger town hall meeting. There has been some interest expressed in that coming out of Council, Houston Council. There's also a couple of the state representatives that are for this area, who have expressed an interest in what they can do for this. So where it goes from here, it's hard to say. But like I said, the first step is we're going to HPD has increased its is HPD and other law enforcement in the area are operating their investigations in the area, their patrols, they're keeping an eye on it. The next step is like I said, once we talk with HPD and actually sit down and have a chance to discuss with them our concerns. That's the next step.

 Roy 1:14:16

I know this that I was talking with Ken Burns, the president of the Houston gay lesbian Political Caucus, and they're going to be putting doing their part by putting pressure on city hall and with the state legislature and talking with Sheila Jackson Lee about about these incidents.

 Chris Harrison 1:14:37

We're also as far as on the Q Patrol side, we're hoping to get more members to come out so that we can do patrols more often that we can be out Friday nights and Saturday nights. We're also looking at putting together a safety and awareness program. We're going to be looking at a couple of different options that we can provide to the community at least two times a year to give you interest because, you know, it's something you have to worry about all year round. It's, it's a sad thing, like I say, when we talk about safety at the shopping malls, they only talk about it at Christmas time, right? It's like, you know, we only seem to care about the homeless and the hungry out there around on Thanksgiving to, to Christmas. And then it's like, who cares the rest of the time,

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January comes in,

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Merlin 1:15:24

they just forget that they exist and don't realize is that the problem does last a year round. So guess what, these problems are still here. The other, you know, 912, you know, to 11 months of the year?

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Chris Harrison 1:15:39

Yeah, it's one of these things. I mean, we could, we could have the Queer I guys walking down this walking in the Thanksgiving Day Parade here, we can have wheeling Grace going into the end of the rodeo parade, it doesn't really matter. There's a lot of cultures out there that still need to change. And I don't mean culture is in just ethnicity, the culture of what some of these kids are being brought up and taught that the fact they're hearing when they hear about us in the community. And that's the thing we've been worried about. We've been we've been expecting this since June, since Lawrence v. Texas. And the fact that they're talking more and more about gay marriage, and all sorts of the gate of issues involving our community, when you start hearing about it at the Capitol, when you start hearing about it, in the courthouse, when you start hearing about it from the pulpit, people's emotions get stirred, especially

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Roy 1:16:32

when you start hearing about it, hearing about us in a very negative and derogatory way from the pulpit and from other areas, people take this to heart. And they get, and they get old, they go to the extreme with it, but

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Merlin 1:16:47

on the other, but along those same lines on the opposite end of that scale. When we're hearing really positive things about our community, the fact that we are being mentioned in positive ways by media and things like I mean, you know, Queer, the guys from Queer, I just won an award on a VHS one. Gay of gay of you know, and I mean, even what it is simply that we are mentioned, and in this case, and sometimes it's mentioned, in a way, that means we're being accepted by it. On the larger scale, we get that backlash is the word I'm looking

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Chris Harrison 1:17:30

at. It just it's just the fact that there's coverage of anything in this neighborhood. I had a caller who called her phone in earlier about the fact that he recognized with the stuff I talked on here about Q Patrol and all day that I was interviewed and quoted in the Houston Chronicle. So for something like that, I mean, first get this story in The Chronicle. In their

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photograph, well, by the way.



Chris Harrison 1:18:00

I wasn't photographed for the Chronicle. Listen, now.



Merlin 1:18:01

I was talking about the TV. Yeah. And also look good on TV.



Chris Harrison 1:18:05

Thank you. It was that was that was a strange thing to coming in here and giving television interviews for this for the community, and I guess it gets in the way of being elevated to this fit. I'm now a community leader. Oh, boy.



Merlin 1:18:25

If there was anybody on the planet who didn't know you were gay. Yeah. Now,



Chris Harrison 1:18:32

yeah, I walked into work the next day. And it's like, you know, what, if they don't know, I'm gay, it worked. And then, but apparently, my co workers don't really watch the news. No one,



Roy 1:18:44

no one knew that you were not on. There was



Chris Harrison 1:18:48

I really didn't have anyone at work come up to me that I didn't tell ahead that I was going to be on the TV. Just one person came up and they said they saw me on TV. One coworker said they saw my name in the Chronicle article. And he said, What was teasing me about not having a photograph and I go, Well, I apparently you didn't watch the evening news.



Merlin 1:19:09

The interesting thing, but that goes along with that you're talking about community leader is that once you're once you do become someone who's well known, and you know, you've gotten your face on TV. you know. and and they've talked to you and stuff. If they start to do that on a

regular basis, it becomes like you you have a certain level of authority as a leader and that you you're supposed to, you know, do something with that once you

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Chris Harrison 1:19:42

I'm not a role model. I mean, that's that's the thing is where to take it from here of, of what parts I want to emphasize on I mean, I've spent seven years with Q Patrol now and I've been working on long the the hate crimes issue As far as that is, and it's it's one of those things that it's very near and dear to my heart. And but I'll say, I'll be the first one to say, You know what? I really hope and wish there's a day that a group like Q Patrol is not needed. The way I equate it with some people, as I say, it's, I think Q Patrol is just like the has has the same mission that the AIDS organizations do. We are all there. And we're hope that there's one day that were put out of business. Yeah, that won't happen, though, that we're not needed. It's my it's my greatest hope is that it happens, unfortunately, what's going to happen first, before the climate changes on the other side, what's what would end up killing it is apathy in our community. And like I said, with my rant that I went on last week, you know, if, if you're not going to step up and help, who is because, you know, it's one of those things that affects so many people in the community, just the fear of not being able to walk down the street,

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Merlin 1:21:07

I was having some kind of conversation with somebody about, you know, the, the need for Q Patrol, and, and the fact that and they were mad that people didn't, that people left stuff up to other people to do stuff. And, and I looked at them, and I said, and I was like, as they're sitting there talking to me about this. I'm like, so why aren't you part of Q Patrol? You're talking about it, but you're not there. You know, Fleming

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Chris Harrison 1:21:44

for a good example, there was a a certain GLBT bookstore that closed down. That will remain nameless. And there were there were just off of the crossroads of Montrose.

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Merlin 1:22:02


And right there at the crossroads of Montrose and Westheimer. And, and


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Chris Harrison 1:22:07


somebody came by and shot up their front window with a BB pellets on some Wednesday night. Right. And in the paper, they had to go well, why wasn't Q Patrol to help us? Well, we don't patrol Wednesday nights. And even if we did, I mean, there's only so many people where we can be at every time. I mean, even we don't have enough people to station at each street corner right? Here, but if we do, yeah, we do occasionally go over that area we hit. We make sure we visit the lesbian triangle a couple of times at night. You're smiling that title. I just


 Merlin 1:22:47
love that title, because I know what you're talking about. So it's like, you know,


 Chris Harrison 1:22:51
the lesbian triangle is the three lesbian bars on that triangular shaped piece of property.


 Roy 1:22:55
I'm gonna take a chance on it. Yeah,

 Merlin 1:22:58
I know what the color is on the bar, the new bar. It used to be in between I don't know if it's the g spot the G spa, it's very difficult to find and, and chances. And I'm a gay man. And I know the names of the places.

 Chris Harrison 1:23:14
There's two reasons we call it the lesbian triangle. One is because it's three lesbian bars on a triangular shaped piece of property. And also like the Bermuda Triangle, no seam and allowed

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to cut this educational conversation short, but we're going to take a brief break for some music to be put in your ear and we'll be right back on after hours Queer radio with attitude. Over

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Yes, the Vandals with a lovely little ditty they're called Christmas time for my penis. And before that we had Klaus Nomi the late great Klaus Nomi, German gay activist with Silent Night and started it out with Jan Barlow Dyk the halls. So my it's one of those nights dad

 Merlin 1:24:16
would have gotten along famously, yeah. You both fake deafness really? Well. Every word. Like I said, your fake deafness really well. Love it, Jimmy. Yeah.

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Shall we just start he's



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irritated with me or something.



Chris Harrison 1:24:36

He's in a mood isn't.



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It's that time of month again?



Chris Harrison 1:24:42

Well, no one was impressed with his green Dickie last week.



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Excuse me,



Chris Harrison 1:24:52

your green Dickie that you're flashing all around Galveston.



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That was a tie. That was a dickey. No, it wasn't. Dicky goes around. Your neck and no



Chris Harrison 1:25:03

this was a test your problem when you think a dickey goes around your neck that's



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that's why he's having a bad break.



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Actually, what a dickey is, is kind of this little fake turtleneck thing. You got the collar and then just the little flap that goes under the shirt in the front. That is a dickey.

 Merlin 1:25:24


Yeah, well, here's he's had one as a child, and I looked at that I said, Somebody forgot the rest of the sweater.

 Chris Harrison 1:25:33

Well, I thought it was closer to a dickey than an ascot.

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It was a tie. Green lace tie.

 Merlin 1:25:42

All righty, that GreenWaste moving on, I'm not touching. So not touching that. Not going there.

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What don't you understand about Dickens on the strand? Where you go in cars

 Chris Harrison 1:25:57

costume. We said we told you.

 Merlin 1:26:00

How did you I realized there were like several 1000 people there and everything. So how come we like didn't see each other?

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He saw you it ran the other direction

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because there are several 1000 people there



Chris Harrison 1:26:14

because he was trying to correct people that is not a dickey. It's a tie.



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I spent 90% of the time in shops



Merlin 1:26:20

to to quote from Farscape. Yes. To the to your young gentleman right next to you. And I use the phrase gentleman loosely.



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Yes, I was just



Chris Harrison 1:26:34

like Pharrell, you. Okay, where are we? Anyhow? We're in the studios. We were discussing we're gonna talk about these thingies here with Yeah, yeah, let's



Merlin 1:26:48

do the thing. There's I got the cool one in front of me. I think that's the one about the three generals, the generals and the rear admiral.



Chris Harrison 1:27:00

Rear admirals against gays in the military.



Merlin 1:27:05

According to this story to brigadier generals and a rear admiral all retired disclosed that they are gay and denounced Don't Ask Don't Tell in an interview with The New York Times. Wow. Keith Kerr virtual Richard and Admiral Steinman said the policy effectively excludes gays from military so and force them to deceive friends and family. They're the highest ranking military officials to disclose their sexual orientation, which is really cool. It's nice to have people that high up in the thing saying throw you to the whole Don't Ask Don't Tell. There. They said Don't Ask Don't Tell. They said don't think so.



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Just wait till we leave.



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Anyhow, well, now there'll be thinking a different kind of Battleship. Yeah. That was cute. That was a nice segment. That's, that's cute.



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He saved up for that.



Merlin 1:28:06

Are you kidding? He's been saving up for weeks just for that one.



Chris Harrison 1:28:11

Saving up a lot of things. If those dimples if that dimple goes and bigger on his grin, there are some of them to fall in.



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He wishes and



Chris Harrison 1:28:25

go ahead with yours. Let's go. Let's get one with the lesbians and the Iowa lesbians. The




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K sounds like the eighth county judge in Sioux City Iowa, approved a divorce for two lesbian couples who obtained a civil union and Vermont, saying he didn't realize he was signing a settlement for a same sex couple, but ultimately decided to let his decision stand.




Chris Harrison 1:28:55

He must have had one of those. What did


 Merlin 1:28:57
he drink beforehand? Did he not notice the two females and


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I have no idea. Okay, maybe


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one was really good.


 Chris Harrison 1:29:06
Okay, then at least the name should have gotten him Kimberly Brown and Jennifer Perez.


 Merlin 1:29:12
No awful lot of men named Kimberly do.

 Chris Harrison 1:29:17
I know one person one man known Kim.

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I know. I know. Men named Kim. But Kimberly.

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Yeah. That's

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a little. That's stretching it. Yeah.

 Chris Harrison 1:29:26
A couple clarity. cornfed lesbians, I guess. Something like that. What's that? That's gonna be interesting considering what happened here in the Houston area where the two men went and

interesting considering what happened here in the Houston area where the two men went and got a had a same sex had a civil union and Vermont came down and tried to get a divorce and it was approved and then who's the delay? No, no, the Attorney General Ashcroft now for Texas. Or whoever the whoever the Talgo is. Texas Attorney General's Office, whoever that is Stephen said you can't do that. And so he had the judge had to reverse himself on that. But it's nice to see that that would be the first type of case that this is possibly working on. I know. The former archbishop of canterbury is supporting British civil union law. George Carey as a vocal opponent of gays in the Anglican Church says he is in favor of recognizing same sex relationships that remains opposed to gay marriage, as long as we don't call it marriage, because marriage is for marriage for me and for so many people's relationship between a man and a woman for life is not to do with same sex relationships. What about their their marriage? Take 2321. But there, reverse that. There may be sorry, I'm trying to read British here and it's not working this early in the morning. But there may well be a case for looking sympathetically, sympathetically at civil partnerships. Here's what happens when I do the show not drunk. The British government is expected to bring in a domestic partner law early next year. Details were announced last month in the Queen's speech opening the new session of parliament. So I

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Merlin 1:31:11

have a solution for that whole language thing though, was just spend a couple of weekends watching episodes of EastEnders and Are You Being Served, which of course had had a poof on their ship

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Chris Harrison 1:31:24

free. Are you free Mr. Merlin?

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Merlin 1:31:28

No, I'm very expensive. Jimmy looks at me like You're joking, right.

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Chris Harrison 1:31:38

Jimmy's grabbing for his wallet Charles Armstrong investments analysis a holiday gift giving to 12 Wonderful nonprofit organizations that work toward 12 months a year. What are you staring at? Oh, you haven't figured that one out either. Please, work hard work hard 12 months a year providing services for both men and women alike in Houston's GLBT community on behalf of their employees. They're going to be giving away the 12 days of Christmas to 12 nonprofit organizations. And they include AIDS Foundation, Houston, the assistance fund. Sisters, Ave amigos volunteers in education and services, bearing omegas Community Services, the Center for AIDS HATCH, the Houston area team coalition homosexuals, Houston Buyers Club, Montrose clinic, Montrose Counseling Center, Q Patrol Incorporated, and snap the spay neuter Assistance Program.

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Merlin 1:32:47

And a lot of those places will really assist. appreciate the help. funds have been kind of short all around a lot of organizations.



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I mean, this my personal heartfelt thanks to Mr. Armstrong. Yeah,



Chris Harrison 1:33:00

I mean, Charles Armstrong and Charles was the owner of Jr's the mining company in South Beach. And several other clubs in the Houston area, not just in the in the GLBT community. kind of gets a bad rap from a lot of people but he is very Phil, Phil. He gives a lot of money to organizations and charities that need it. But



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I can't wrap my word around philanthropic, philanthropic,



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a lovely couple.



Chris Harrison 1:33:32

Yeah. But now, there's part of it, I think comes from the fact that Charles doesn't promote it as much that he gives out that he does these donations. And first of all, Q Patrol was being a member of being a part of this, along with all the other work that Charles Armstrong does, very thankful. I'll say flat out out that Q Patrol wouldn't be here right now if it wasn't for Charles.



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Well, that's true. I know that he's really put himself out there for free Q Patrol. Bobby's the one that