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Michelle Meyers 00:02

Let me tell you about hatch and about a success story around the Houston area teen coalition of homosexuals recently announced that it had raised over \$30,000. That's 80,000, not 30,000 for the scholarship fund. Now originally hatch and MP flag, Parents and Friends of Lesbians and gays. Were working together to get a scholarship fund. And Pink Floyd pledged about 4000. And hatch was trying to get three to \$4,000 to match that. And lo and behold, a anonymous donor stepped forward and dropped on them. \$27,000 Wow. So now, there's a joint hatch PFLAG Scholarship Committee, that's looking at, okay, what you do we give scholarships to? And more importantly, how can both organizations form a separate, jointly founded and funded scholarship foundation that's able to stand on its own? This should be fantastic. And Kevin Davidson, the president of had said, this is just the beginning. From here we grow. I think it just, it's great.



Roy 01:24

And it's so it's sorely needed. It is sorely needed, because there are so many young, gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender kids in our high schools, who do not play sports. And sports is the number one scholarship. Yeah, I know, higher education. I know. And if you were like me, you couldn't get who couldn't catch a ball. If it had superglue on it. You know, a lot of these kids, you know, are just out of luck.



Michelle Meyers 01:49

So Kevin said, hopefully we can become the largest scholarship fund of its kind in the country. I think all of Houston ought to be proud of what the joint efforts of hatch and p phi have been able to shake loose and create. I think it's fantastic.



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It really is. I'm really proud of our hat,

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Michelle Meyers 02:14

our hat. Yes, we should.

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Roy 02:18

Well, I got some interesting news from around the state here. The Senate Minority HOUSE MINORITY LEADER Richard Gephardt Deke apart, met with gays and lesbians last week in Dallas at an impromptu tol town hall meeting at the Cathedral of hope, and that happens to be the world's largest predominantly gay and lesbian church. And Gephardt opened the one hour meeting by denouncing derogatory remarks made by a US Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott and house minority leader Derek Garmi. Now Mr. Law and Mr. Armey, were recently quoted as saying that homosexuality was a sin and compare gays and lesbians to kleptomaniacs and sex addicts that needed treatment. Both Mr. Lott and Mr. Armey, were invited to visit the church. And neither of those two politicians responded. They declined. Gephardt was in Dallas on a voter awareness campaign drive, and he decided to visit the church and he noted that the House and Senate leadership should represent all Americans, not just the far right decap art addressed several issues and important to gays and lesbians, including gays in the military aid funding and proposed federal anti discrimination laws. That's the end. And Mr. Mr. Mr. Gebhardt, emphasize that as long as Republicans control the House of Representative issues important to gays and lesbians would have difficulty servicing through the bureaucracy. So let's get out there and support Denver Denver.

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Michelle Meyers 03:59

I'm planning for the transgender community. The next meeting of the Texas Association for transsexual support will be on the 25th of this month. That's two Saturdays from today. And that will be the nurses coming also mentioned that that meeting after that will be on August the eighth and will be open to the general public will be at the Houston lesbian and gay community center located at 803 Hawthorne, and that will start we had our first one there today are really Yes. The next meeting of the Gulf Coast transgender community screening group will be on the 16th of this month. That's this coming Thursday. It will be at seven o'clock and we'll be at chances. Chances is located at Westheimer and WA and the next meeting of helping crossdressers anonymous occurs this Tuesday and Every Tuesday at 7pm at Susan Anderson properties, which is located at 239, Westheimer. Oh, so what kind of heavenly news do you have for us now?

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Roy 05:13

Okay, now we have promised all of our listeners that we would keep you informed and up to date as to what's happening with heaven. Oh, yeah. And well, I've got to tell you that heaven is no more. Heaven has shut its doors, and there will never be a heaven. However, the good news is that we're heavens was Charles Armstrong is going to be opening up a new club called South Beach. And it's going to be better than ever. And the ambience of that place is going to be truly

donate the name. And it's really going to have a very tropical flavor. And it's going to be a combination of fashion and culture and style. It's going to be the bomb, it's going to be the place to be seen or be seen.



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Whoa. And when does it open up?



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It's has a grand opening scheduled as for December of this year, December,



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it makes you wonder what they're doing to the place. I know



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it. Well, it gives against all the people that are that are into the dance clubs a chance to save your little pennies and you know, by the high culture high fashion, because that's just what it's going to be I can tell already is going to be very high fashion. Oh,



Michelle Meyers 06:24

okay. And Houston area Women's Center has expanded its support services for male survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence.



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That's good to hear. Because there are men who have been raped. Oh, yeah, men can be raped, and not only and not just in jail. That's right. Many men have been raped. The problem is that they feel too ashamed to report it.



Michelle Meyers 06:57

Yes, sir. The Houston area Women's Center aid center is offering off site group counseling for survivors of sexual assault and childhood abuse at New Directions. That's a residential treatment facility for ex offenders. And in addition, they provide individual counseling for male survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence and group counseling for male survivors of sexual assault. And that's at the counseling and education building located at 1010 Law. So you can call the 24 hour crisis hotline, rape crisis hotline, and that's 713528 rate. That's 5287273. Or you can call the 24 hour domestic violence and information referral hotline 713-528-2121 as five to 821 21. The center provides short term emergency shelter for men as well. And all

services are free of charge in 1997. They provide a counseling and support for more than 400 Male survivors survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence. And I just also wanted to mention that they have a new manager for the non residential Children's Services. So they provide services for children, ages four to 18, their parents, siblings and caregivers with individual group counseling, and so they have a full range of services. And it's available to men in the queer community. Yes, men in the queer community have children and have children but

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the Women's Center is there for us.

Michelle Meyers 08:54

Yes, it's for everyone. I think it's a fantastic place and I drive by it every year.

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They're right there on long drive.

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Okay, now, I hope Sara and Michelle is really listening up because I got some great news about Christmas in July program. Yes, this year Jackie Thorne is the entertainment coordinator. And Jackie has been involved with the PWA holiday charities for nearly 10 years. And this is the first time that she's actually been in charge.

Jimmy Carper 09:27

But she's nervous. Because this is a big important show. And Jackie has been in hundreds and hundreds of shows but you know, putting one together can kind of make it a little bit nervous. And Jackie and I've always had a lot of funding in the footsteps of lady victoria last right. Well,

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it was founded by lady victoria loss, right? And the purpose of this is to raise and disperse charitable funds for the betterment of people living with and affected by HIV or AIDS. In addition into its annual Christmas in July. Cash Disbursements excuse me the PWA holiday charities. annual events also include a Mardi Gras and Galison bus tour PWA campouts Easter and Thanksgiving gift distribution projects and PWA Christmases. A lot of these people that are suffering with AIDS and HIV are not able to financially afford a decent Thanksgiving or Easter or a Christmas

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that's what the holiday charities does. Now where is the where's that going to be held?



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Okay, this year's popular show is going to be scheduled for next Sunday July 19 at 8pm Okay, at the Brazos River bottom 2400 Brazos near downtown, and it's going to have an evening of entertainment, drag music and comedy. It's going to be hosted by Jackie Thorne and 1998 Houston Pride Parade, grand marshals, Bob Bhutan, and Dr. Jackie Deauville as special co MCs. The show also features a raffle with gift certificates from area restaurants and retail shop. Okay. This past past weekend on July 4 Gifts of \$50 were distributed to nearly 100 PWA holiday charity events. Clients. Desperate Jackie Thorne estimated right and Jackie says that she hopes us here the show raised over \$1,000 to restock the Treasury in preparation sure for the PWA holiday charities expenditure it well.



Michelle Meyers 11:32

So that's the BRB



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BRB next Sunday night, folks, eight o'clock. Yeah, be there. That's it's gonna be one of the shows of the summer.



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And if you have more, need more information, call area code 713-521-0911. That's 5210911



Michelle Meyers 11:54

How's the theater these days?



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Oh, there is so much going on in the theater. I was there tonight. As a matter of fact, at diverse works. Oh, to see the quack show queer artists collective who happened to be on the show last weekend? Yes. And you still there's still going to there's one more show. It's Sunday night. At eight o'clock, diverse works art space 1117 East freeway, this is performance art, by young queers. And in this show, they they explore racism a lot. And what it is to be different. It's it's quite interesting. It's a different assets. That's a different perspective. They've not done anything like this before. So it makes you it's one of these shows that make you little uncomfortable. And then when you leave it makes you think. Also, also, Ray Hill to prison years. is still playing on Wednesdays at eight o'clock. However, not this Wednesday. It's playing the last two Wednesday's of this month. He's out in the woods with the fairies for a week.



Michelle Meyers 13:18

He was on vacation. Well,



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that's where he's gone. And this is this, these two were performances that they didn't plan on. Oh, yeah, it's been sold out. Absolutely. In fact, the performance I went to people were standing.



Michelle Meyers 13:35

Yeah, there's certainly room for Sydney. retable.



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Incredible. So that's at so little room downstairs, folks that have been on the show quite a few times. They're located at 2326 bissonnet. That's between greenbar Briar and Kobe, if you know where ks Lounge is, it's right next door. And also, they're doing alternative music, the hilarious comedy where you the audience sit side by side with the characters at the bar. And that's it. The stage is a meet, they've built this bar and the customers sit there and the actors come out and kind of do their lines and interact with a couple of couple of people. It's kind of an interesting, kind of an interesting thing. Honestly, you



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had to get your tickets early for that.



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Oh, yes. And not that. Well, you know, even even though some shows are in competition with after hours, we still talk about them, and one is called faux Kasia. It's musical review that is outrageous. And it's dragon person impersonations of Aretha Franklin, Cher, Eartha Kitt, Gloria Estefan, Madonna, Patti LaBelle, Paula Abdul, Reba McIntyre, Tina Turner, and it's being presented every Saturday night at midnight at the laughs stop right there on West gray. And this is produced by someone who, who after hours listeners may be familiar with Scott Lewis. Oh, you're



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You're kidding. He



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is producing this show.



Michelle Meyers 15:23

Oh, that's great. Yeah. And



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your, your co producer,



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my ex co producer. Yes. Is okay is constantly show at the last stop. And it's going over like gangbusters. And actually, this show is being advertised mainly to the straight community. And it's packing them in. Absolutely packing him in.



Roy 15:47

You know, in the last month in the advocate Gloria Estefan was talking about the people that are impersonating her. And she loves it. Oh, I'm



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sure she does. She



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thinks it is a T she, she loves it immensely. So gone and then see this.



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And we want to remind people that the Houston lesbian gay community center is opened at 803 COC Hawthorne. That's like a block away from Walgreens. And their operating hours for right now are Monday and Wednesday six to 9pm. And Saturday noon to four. They're also looking for volunteers. If you have time to offer, give us a call at 86778904.



Michelle Meyers 16:38

Let me just add there the hours that you can just come by and stop in and check out the facility

and use the facility. Right. If you have a meeting that doesn't fall within those hours, you just get a hold of the community center. And they'll get somebody to be there for you. And you can be there almost anytime you want. We were there today. tach was here today from 27. So cool. Yeah. And a lot of organizations, you're coming there and having your meetings there. It's a great space. Okay.



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And also want to remind folks about TV Montrose. I know they're on Wednesday night. Channel 54. Warner Cable is supposed to be on a Monday nights, but they were on Tuesday night this week. So I don't know they had



Michelle Meyers 17:25

gay fishing on Monday. I don't know what that.



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Yeah, they had a fish. I was trying to watch it last Monday night. They had a fishing program.



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Well, was it Okay,



Michelle Meyers 17:34

well, maybe. That's what Roy told me it was fishing



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with a fishing for anyway, they have a fabulous, fabulous copy of the price. Great. In case you missed it. So you should get a hold of these folks. Because it's cheap.



Michelle Meyers 17:55

Now go down to their offices. I think it's 1250 or \$15 for a videotape of the Piper Yeah, that's



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great. It's great.



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Also, the also the pride committee has a copy. Oh,



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yes. We have to mention that. Yes, they about the same price.



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Yes. For about the same price.



Michelle Meyers 18:14

I think it's \$20. But it's got a theme to it and some kind of overdubbing under dubbing. Supposedly pretty good.



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Okay, well, I'm



Michelle Meyers 18:25

gonna get both actually. Yeah, that's what I think everybody should do.



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And if you want to make comments on this show, you can email us at after hours. kpft@hotmail.com That's ma il. Or after hours at web tv.net. You've been listening to after hours news with big Roy and Michelle.



Michelle Meyers 18:52

Good night all good night.



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Ah, yeah. Big Ryan Michelle with the news.



Sarah Dabholkar 19:06



Saran DePalma 19:00

And this is Sarah dipalma. We're



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with Jimmy Carter. Doing after hours.



S Sarah DePalma 19:13

It's right to the tape. I was reminded we're supposed to identify ourselves more off yeah, we are. I don't know who the heck they are. Listen, I



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know what I know what I know that we get the Yes. You know, lesbian and gay voices does it very well. Because you listen to that show. And Jack is doing this every five minutes.



S Sarah DePalma 19:33

No, this is one station that really annoys me that does this. It's like every other song. That's like Sunday. 99.1 Yeah, it's Sunday night. Oh shit. We know every song anyway.



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But you know, I mean, it does matter. And maybe we have a different show. But I know many of our listeners tune in right at midnight and stay as long as they can. So they know who we are. Well not gotten used to that. But a lot of people catch us on the way home a lot of people in cars. Yeah. And they're turning, tuning on right in the middle of whatever. And so they need to know.



S Sarah DePalma 20:11

We're going to do a little bit of music here. But I want to tell you about the next two cuts. No, you did not tune in to the blues program. And I guess what you're about to do station break first.



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Yes. Just one moment,



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the sound of Texas KPFT Houston, of Pacifica radio network station 90.1 FM 89.1k e os College Station.

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Yes, we are the sound of Texas actually, we're the queer sound of Texas. And and proud of you got it and we vote. The next

⌚ s Sarah DePalma 20:43

two pieces of music, I know you did not wake up and tune into the blues program by mistake. But the next two pieces I wanted to talk about because this shows you how gay lesbian issues are starting to be mainstreamed. The first piece is by a woman from Louisiana by the name of Katie Webster, quite a legend in the blues. And it sounds a song is not particularly clear. As you listen to the end of it, you can kind of try and judge for yourself. Whether she ended up having been married to a transgender person, a gay person or drag queen take your pick, oh, it's kind of left open. So we'll and we'll let the listener decide. The second piece is by a group called Sapphire. And they are talking about it's a very liberal piece actually. She's married to she discover she's married to a gay man. And she's kind of lamenting the fact. But let's face it, it happens. I mean, I was married at one time, right? And really a very interesting piece of music. In although I assume both know all these artists are straight it frankly, we don't know. It's the kind of music it's the subject matter that we're playing this for. So with that in mind, let's go to a little bit of blues music. We're gonna wake y'all up. That was Sapphire. Yeah, I

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love Sapphire. I've got two of their albums. You know, it's a three women three woman grew

⌚ s Sarah DePalma 22:08

looking at their ages. I'm guessing that they are all at age. One of them is in their late 40s, perhaps? Oh, yeah, I think so something like that. And that is just a terrific Z album. Apparently, that was released in 1996. It was new to me. But it's very interesting, because both of those songs dealt with gay issues, or queer issues, as the case may be in a blues setting, which in blues, I guess is probably considered to be one of the more conservative social contexts. Oh, yes. And no. I mean, they're kind of been outlaws over the years.

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Yes. Quite a bit as a matter of fact, because, you know, there's, there's quite a few albums out about the blue singers from the 20s. In the 30s. Talking about women sleeping with women, and Bessie

⌚ s Sarah DePalma 22:50



Saran DePalma 22:58

Smith was probably the most well known of that was yes, in her day was quote, notorious and, right. So yeah, I mean, there have been lots of gays and lesbians in in bisexuals in the blues, but it's unusual to hear it on record or on CD. Yeah. And it's first time that I that I'm aware of it making through like that. So anyway, I just thought the listeners might be interested to hear that



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I was interested in hearing that actually.



Sarah DePalma 23:23

Okay, now, this next piece of tape that we're going to go to this is from Pat Khalifa. And, Pat, out of all the interviews we've done, this has been the most requested, partly because Pat Kilifi is so well known in the s&m community. Oh, yeah. And as I go to pet meetings, people have been coming up to me and saying, Can I please have I'll pay you, but I really want to copy that as well. Okay. And the other part of it is because some of what she said was actually fairly controversial. Not that pet clip you would ever do that intentionally. Never, never, never, never. But what was interesting is that we were actually discussing a book that was not about s&m it was about more or less the history of transgenders. And in transsexuals, in particular, but



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she named the book was, you know, I



Sarah DePalma 24:14

was just gonna say all of a sudden, I forgot the name of the book. I'm



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sorry, to put you on the spot.



Sarah DePalma 24:20

It was that the politics of trends, yes, politics and six changes, I think something like that. But in any case, because there was so many there were so many requests. We probably will I probably will go ahead and put this on tape. And I know you said you want Oh, I know I want you want a complete copy of it too. But I wanted to go ahead and play the first two pieces, because there were a couple of things that she talks about in here that we did not have the time to discuss while we were actually doing the show. So with that in mind, let me go to the first two pieces with Pat Calafia. Okay, where we go Okay, we're gonna try and figure out what happened here. We thought we had this together, and obviously we don't. So that's what

happens when you do live radio, I'll tell you a little bit of what we were about what was being discussed. While we're waiting, we're talking about something called there's transsexuals in particular, are in something called the DSM V, the diagnostic status dition manual. And what it is, is this is a, a tool used by psychologists and psychiatrists, and this manual transgenders are listed as being basically mentally ill. And it is the it is the, the tool that they use in order to rationalize transsexual surgery, they say that these people have gender dysphoria. And I was discussing with her the idea that I would like to see that done away with because I don't consider myself to be to have a mental or emotional issue. I don't know that don't think the people I I'm that are my friends have this issue. And she was discussing some of the things that she had said with Ricky Wilkins, and discussing the idea that this that there is no reason for us to be in the manual. So okay, we're going to try and do this one more time and see if we can get this together. Let's see what happens. Okay, wait, we're still trying to figure out why in the world. We can hear it running and I'll tell you what, I think we're gonna try and put another piece of music in and we'll go ahead and do some of that while we're figuring this out. We'll be



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right back. You're listening to after hours queer radio with attitude on KPFT Houston, and ke o s College Station



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the sound of Texas KPFT Houston, a Pacifica radio network station 90.1 FM 89.1k EOS College Station



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from our studios in New York City via the Cajun satellite service. Our international news update anchor team correspondent director of audio transmission, reporting directly on the lake breaking propaganda hogwash Raymond.



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Babies