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D Deborah Bell 00:01

He has since moved on to the city or return to the city of New Orleans. That was his hometown. And a lot of people trace their involvement in the Lesbian Gay community through Larry's influence. And so he is being honored today as a special founder of this event, and he was waving to us from the convertible. Once again, we have a bit of a gap

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with lots of colorful balloons down there,

D Deborah Bell 00:30

yeah, all coming up. It's interesting with the parade because sometimes it'll move really fast and then sometimes it really slows down and from from our vantage points and it's kind of hard to tell exactly what's coming is true.

B Bruce Reeves 00:45

It is a beautiful day out here though the sun shining, the blue skies are blue, hardly in clouds in the sky at all. It's a very warm day and there's lots of people out for the parade. I would dare say that. The numbers from what I can see from here the number of people that are out today for the parade probably exceed anything that has been before of course with well over 70 units in this parade. It's the largest game has been parade in the history of Houston and is the second if not the largest parade in the city of Houston this year. But it's at least the second largest parade taking place in the city,

D Deborah Bell 01:23

the largest outside of the downtown area. And why is that a wedding? It looked like it looks like a wedding to me are those the folks from Bacchus



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probably so I think



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I'm not I'm not sure what the wedding was about.



B Bruce Reeves 01:48

Musical flow going by now just lots people having fun. And not sure what we've got. We've got a couple of people here in tiaras. Maybe this is the Texas gay Rodeo Association. Now, this is Bacchus it says



D Deborah Bell 02:12

they're located right down the street on walk press right behind Charlie's coffee shop it's vaca to



B Bruce Reeves 02:18

and Baca says to everybody to be proud and be safe. And then right behind here we have chichi or a purpose Chris Christi, the Corpus Christi Chapter, The Texas gay Rodeo Association and of course the rodeo will be coming up



D Deborah Bell 02:33

and they're having a splash day on July the fifth in Corpus. That sounds like a lot of fun. And of course they have a rainbow row set up they're all ready for the beach. They got they've got some beach beach guy there. And



B Bruce Reeves 02:48

right behind them we've got the T gra the Texas gay Rodeo Association chapter from Houston.



D Deborah Bell 02:54

They have lots of women on horses lots of woman yards

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Bruce Reeves 02:57

ours is a large float with the Texas flag and the rainbow banner with T gra Houston chapter on the front and their message to the crowd is let's write in Dallas. So that's going to be coming up not the too distant future but getting a lot of response from the crowd as they go by in their western goods in their blue jeans and all over the state to gra has chapters in Fort Worth and Dallas and Austin and purpose as well. That was first purpose out their own quote in San Antonio to do in a large Texas flag is running down the street

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Deborah Bell 03:47

there's a few more clowns, the clowns doing the traditional cleanup after the horses that rescue just about every parade I guess, including the Lesbian Gay Pride parade here in Houston, Texas. And coming

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Bruce Reeves 04:02

now we have the AIDS foundation from Houston. There have a hotline that's open 24 hours a day the membership requirements to care about life and the quality available to persons with HIV and AIDS. And they're promoting AIDS awareness. The AIDS Foundation of Houston is showing that pride equals power in the cielo the embracing of life through a musical celebration. And there are some horns, some drums in the background. So it sounds like they're born into music but they've got different signs.

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Deborah Bell 04:36

Their signs features some of the different areas that Aid Foundation Houston is involved with in such as the buddy program for someone can go and be a friend to someone with AIDS the public relations, the speaker's bureau the fundraising is so vital and necessary for all our organizations. The pediatric which is a growing concern, outreach to the school holes in education. They were sensible enough to bring some parasols to for protection from the sun including umbrella hat. And it's so unfortunate that we even have to have a foundation Houston but one of the things about it is that it was an organization started by our community. And it's one that we we all work at supporting and call upon to be there are so many people in need. And I think they're passing out condoms. So one part of playing safe in this is protection and knowing what is safe behavior and that you love one another carefully. I think that that's some of the best best advice we can give anyone. Take care of yourself and take care of your partner by loving careful

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Bruce Reeves 05:54

right behind them with lots of lavender balloons and lavender Pearsall's is the lesbians over the age of 50 Loafer Incorporated, they are encouraging all women over the age of 50 to come to their meetings and socials to show that there is pride equals power.

D Deborah Bell 06:10
So you see a lot of women with silver hair and I think one too far to be low from Sunday, the

B Bruce Reeves 06:18
Brazos River bottom with a couple of tracks and some music. They've got lots of white and pale blue balloons and

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dropped the whole bar on

B Bruce Reeves 06:30
a very large flow that looks like the BRB itself. Driving down the street. We've got some cacti and several award tubers,

D Deborah Bell 06:40
dancing and thinking in their draft and everything from Cowboy to leather.

B Bruce Reeves 06:44
Miss BRV 1992 is riding on the throat waving to the crowd. This looks like they're having a lot of fun. There the afternoon of the garden party the the annual denim party takes place at the BRB, so that's going to be coming up here in just another month. And we've got Colt 40 fives of Houston their sponsor then reside at the BRB, be called 40 fives is a 501 C three charity organization that serves the Houston Community is and their sponsor, they sponsor and events such as Christmas in July and the fall harvest. They support the cave called 45 AIDS trouble fund program as well as the stone soup program, which is a very needy program for the persons with AIDS for food.

K Kay Harper 07:41
They're one of the banners is a check from CVC club body setter for the Colt 45 That's great

B Bruce Reeves 07:47
club body centered made a donation to the Colt 45 a very generous donation and rather than have spending money for a float this year, they decided to donate that money to the coop 40 fives and

D Deborah Bell 08:00
we'd like to end there merrily throwing condoms to the crowd, give them a great thumbs up

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for their assistance

D Deborah Bell 08:08
provides money or things like rent and food and clothing and things like that daily needs of persons that are affected by a very vital organization in our community.

B Bruce Reeves 08:24
Oh goodness, we got a limo going by now. Limo bodies and it's I'm not quite sure who these

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three crowd or an

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American look like. So we're in free out there still with

D Deborah Bell 08:41
club body and looks like bodies anyway. And then. Now coming up, I believe

B Bruce Reeves 08:49
we've got a very large colorful flow coming up with lavender streamers and balloon colors of all the rainbow and lots of people on it. Ed Barnes

D Deborah Bell 08:59
who just could not stay away from sample from Houston, he he's one of the few people that left San Francisco to come back to Houston for the parade pointed out to me that this is in fact the silver and trade group. And these are people who have have been in recovery and have found a

new lifestyle, a healthier lifestyle by getting off of drugs down the hall. And they're so proud to be here and celebrating and waving to the crowd. They've got glittery streamers and balloons and they're there. They're just very enthusiastic and very up which we get have to give him all the credit for finding the power and the strength to enter into recovery. Say

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Bruce Reeves 09:38

we are the winners. And then next we have the teenagers from hatch the Houston area teenage Coalition for homosexuals. And of course, think all the programming that KPFT have had to people from Hacham from many times and their goal is to offer support and guidance to young gay and lesbians to do fundraising through shows and genders. and dancers and trying to become a nonprofit organization is there going

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Deborah Bell 10:05

to be about 80 to 100 young people there in that group. And it's so important for a long time, we really didn't have anything for the youth, with the queer youth in Houston, and so it's great that they're their families are able to be part of this community. And I am always touched when a young person says, You were the first voice. I heard on the radio that said the word lesbian or said the word gay or, you know, I tuned into all of a sudden I tune into after hours, and it was so great knowing that you were there. And so we're really thrilled about there being a group such as catch here in Houston. And, of course, you can contact them. Do we have a number for the hatch? Perry? I don't think so. Okay, you can contact them through the gay and lesbian switchboard, they'll give you the information. And now we have someone in a lovely glittery, turquoise sequins rock. That is the new studio 13 over at 1318 Westheimer. From we're open from 9am to 2am. And that is a puppet client care, call clientele and mostly to the black community. And they have contests and events all the time and some some of the best music in town I hear. That's right down at 1318 with timer and their other some lovely ladies waving their gloved hands. Oh, they've got that way down that.

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Bruce Reeves 11:33

Of course, the crowd has basically moved out into the street to just get as close to the parade as they can. There's just a lot of people here today. They're out enjoying the sun, enjoying the weather and watching this wonderful parade as it goes by. It's just it's phenomenal the number of people that are out this year. And if you're out in the crowd listening to us, we'd like to just remind you, you are listening to a live broadcast with gay and lesbian programmers here at KPFT 90.1 FM in Houston.

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Deborah Bell 12:02

Yeah, you know, it's amazing to me. I mean, we see I don't know 1000 or so folks right here on this corner roll along. So we stretch out all the way down from Woodhead to pass Montrose, I believe, yeah, down to quippy Street. And the rally takes place after the parade. Right here next door. They're married at the corner of Joe come and Westheimer across from Bismarck. And it's a good way to come out and play the rest of the day and have some fun folks and find

out some information about community events. The Montrose activity center is having a raffle. raffling a monster truck and a Suzuki motorcycle. So if you want to be in on that raffle you need to get down here and buy your ticket and support the Montrose activity center. Oh wigs on fire goodness. You know anything about that group? It says it's a bad bad bad with it Mr. Bad on that wig thing. Oh, Bad. Bad. Bad. Bad. Bad wig. Yeah, real bad wigs. Tell me something about the wigs on parquet.

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Kay Harper 13:09

They have a costume ball every every October and it's celebration this year. It's called wigs on fire six a celebration of all the wicked naughty and cheap. Okay, oh, yes, but I think they make you wear a wig. Some festive

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Bruce Reeves 13:28

wigs. Well, actually, they say you don't have to wear wigs, but they would like

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Deborah Bell 13:32

to hear those wigs. All those bad wigs even as we speak. They're on fire and they're in wonderful outfits. And they're, they're throwing goodies to the crowd. It could be more condoms. Some folks are gonna say more action than they say no one time. These condoms have been thrown out from the fray today. And I tell you these aren't bad weeks.

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Bruce Reeves 14:06

Yes, I'm pretty bad weeks out there. They remind me some of the ones I saw at the barley last night. But they are throwing looks like some beads and condoms and Confederate to the crowds. fairy dust and their fairy dust is gonna stick when it says wet bodies out there today. I tell you. This is one of our grand marshals walking by the stage right now Sherry

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Deborah Bell 14:34

She's got one of her sons with her and she's taking him over to watch the West and of course, it's editor of the newsboys you know, sharing without attending the band concert last night but actually was having to do coverage of the big events working even though she's being honored this year. And yes, those waves on fire are they're dancing on their float. They're interacting with the crowd. have the whole production number going. I'm not really sure what all we're doing, and even the music. They're dancing, they're skipping there. They're so happy and gay. Even if they have to wear wigs or maybe because they are wearing way because I'm not sure what that's all about.

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Bruce Reeves 15:18

We're just like, we've got the National Bar of Texas coming up here. Naturally,



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they're getting a big response from the crowd on top of course, and

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Bruce Reeves 15:29

Chris Mary just wants to tell that there are Houston tradition in the game has been community and they're going to continue to serve this community and loyalty and pride. Of course, they're saluting the crowd on top of Mary's as well. But it's a beautiful day out here.

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Deborah Bell 15:49

There's a nice breeze right now, which makes it even more beautiful than it was. It's always nice to have some relief from the heat here in the city of Houston. I'm sure even though the temperature is about 96 that the heat index factor is made it well over 100 degrees. And of course just the heat of the excitement of the day the celebration of lesbian and gay pride here in Houston Texas. In May makes everyone's energies really up I know that for a lot of young people when they experienced their first parade they feel more empowered and they want to come out they want to be visible and married people are doing some kind of production number here are their friends up on the roof and there we've got several more folks to come about I don't know about 20 more I think so. Stay Stay tuned for more coverage the we are the only live coverage of the Lesbian Gay Pride parade although you will be able if you have access cable and watch it later tonight at nine o'clock and what type of musical break

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Bruce Reeves 16:58

Sure let's take a short musical break Jim if you got man loving loving man by Bill funk looking for Mr. Right we had Miss Montrose Rita Charles has gone by and then right just prior to this we had the minister Mike Show went by with several flat banners Jesus Jesus said some



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sexuals pay retail boy column with sexual harm your own hair

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Bruce Reeves 17:29

then right there we've got a very large group of queer nation actor up for yes, we're

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Deborah Bell 17:34

a nation out and for I am a member of the Houston tribe myself. They have died power and



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fact power



Deborah Bell 17:44

triangles and they have a picture of George Bush with absolutely evil. And



Bruce Reeves 17:52

they're fighting homophobia and fighting for basic human and civil rights for same sex individuals. They want everybody to know that we're here. We're queer, get used to it because we're not going away. That's true. That's definitely learned. Right equals power back fan sites and



Deborah Bell 18:11

queers online is what the time says. And there's several 100 members of the queer Nation Marching in that group now on July 11, starting at the corner of Montrose in West Giroux will be a takeback the streets two which is a commemoration of the anniversary of the March last year, which followed the brutal gay bashing murder of Paul Broussard in



Bruce Reeves 18:34

the Montrose area, and it brought over 2000 queers into a rally. Yeah, we actually



Deborah Bell 18:39

shut down the corner of Montrose in Westheimer. And this time, we're going to have speeches and some some rallying to once again, remind ourselves that we're going to fight back that attack on any of us as the pack on all of us. And so that's July 11. We invite you to come and be a part of that. Whether you're gay, lesbian, or an ally or family member, we would really like your support. And here we have the parade co chair Darrell de Meg, Dear woman, and lady victoria lost. They both worked very hard to make this event possible trying to take you know, take care of the details such as getting bullhorns, and signs and, and permits and so this is an extra special thank you to Daryl Mike nierman and lady victoria loves



Bruce Reeves 19:34

and ladies done up in her cowboy best today with her. I can't believe in Texas flag fan and her cowboy hat.

D Deborah Bell 19:43
She's got a red wig on today. Yeah, yes, she looks like

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a denim jacket.

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Looks like toothy, don't you think?

B Bruce Reeves 19:52
Kathy 20 years from now. Right behind them is the Chang gang Bicycle Club. And they're starting to come out and say Houston on two wheels. They have ride scheduled almost every weekend and have well over 100 members. So if you're into bicycling, then the Houston Chang gang Bicycle Club might be the group for you.

D Deborah Bell 20:14
And they sensibly most of them are wearing their helmets, which is something I really believe that

B Bruce Reeves 20:19
you're coming up right behind them is one of our sister radio stations.

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104 came on repeat II,

B Bruce Reeves 20:28
but you're listening to 90.1 KPFT FM in Houston.

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They have this gigantic boom box.

B Bruce Reeves 20:37
It's actually it's their portable studio. I wish we had one like that girl I'm

D Deborah Bell 20:46
gonna request right now for next year that we have one of those and air conditioned studio. And of course, we're glad to see all members of the media support Lesbian Gay Pride Week here in Houston. We have I think this must be

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Drago florist. Maybe.

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Yeah. And then it's also the gays and lesbians

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of rice.

D Deborah Bell 21:10
They you know, it's really funny when you see people again, and the parade, which you saw earlier in the parade.

B Bruce Reeves 21:16
Several people just kind of they must make that route two or three times

D Deborah Bell 21:23
to another group and get back in because a lot of us are involved. There's several organizations,

B Bruce Reeves 21:28
of course jebra, your own the Pride Week committee, right. So I mean, you didn't even get to write the

D Deborah Bell 21:33
dish really funny. Yes, I served as secretary of Pride week for the last several months. And we only have one person who was able to write in our executive committee vehicle, who is our treasurer, because so many of the rest of us were either being honored or had some other organization that we were acquired out

B Bruce Reeves 21:53
misses the gays and lesbians of Rice University going by right now. They're getting a very large round of applause from the people in the audience. I remember

D Deborah Bell 22:02
when all of those people could have fit into one vehicle. And so now we have a large walking contingency of students and friends also,

B Bruce Reeves 22:12
the game was being sued in association with the University of Houston.

D Deborah Bell 22:16
And you know, the galer group from rice is putting on the play as is over in Provence works. I think the last performances tonight.

B Bruce Reeves 22:26
Okay, we've got just four or five more groups coming down the sea of very festive flow coming,

D Deborah Bell 22:33
Lovell and Nancy Melinda and I don't know what group you're wanting.

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I'm not sure he

D Deborah Bell 22:39
just jumped in the parade. I just got a convertible and said let's go and add wage to folks. And

they did, of course.

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Bruce Reeves 22:45

Nancy Molina is the new co chair of lesbian and gay Democrats of Texas and sea level is going to be a national delegate,

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Deborah Bell 22:54

was also elected as executive committee woman for senate district 17, which is of course my district here in the Montrose and Rob bridges, who was the rally coordinator today is the other culture of Lesbian Gay Democrats. I'm Texas

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Bruce Reeves 23:07

coming up right now we have the crew of Olympus, Texas. crew of Olympus was originally founded in New Orleans. And because of AIDS, they lost a lot of members in New Orleans. They had a lot of members in Houston and they decided in the last year to move their event to Houston and riding at the top of the float or Mr. And, and Ms. Olympus king and queen Olympus of 1992. And I also see Scott, it's going to be ball captain for 1993. So



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let's kill the ostriches for all those feathers.

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Bruce Reeves 23:38

That's a festive bird, a very beautiful float.

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Deborah Bell 23:42

It really is pink and purple, ostrich feathers flowing. Many head dresses and now we have some more lovely folks from rye production productions. This is Jena Malone, and friends and



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Queen waved Yes,

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Bruce Reeves 24:02

Queen way That's right.



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I'll never be able to be a queen because I just can't quite I guess I'm just too good Chuck. Hey,



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so I'm sure that and this is mother's



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day got some nice looking gathers must



B Bruce Reeves 24:18

have been a lady and whether they're their 402 Love it. They're across the street from the station actually a very nice looking float with some rainbow flags. And we've got several more floats coming down the down the street. I see the police cars coming at us. So we're going to finish up here a little earlier than expected. So when we get through with our parade broadcast, we'll have a 30 minute tape from the Stonewall talk about the history of the gay riots



D Deborah Bell 24:51

remembering Stonewall which is how all of this got started and why we get out here the sweltering sun in the month of June. but it's really beyond that it's a celebration. And this year the thing, pride equals power. It's even more so we have the Northern Lights alternative. The AIDS mastery workshop is a nonprofit service provider for people affected by HIV disease. And there's Jack linskey and some other folks closing. We have another float.



B Bruce Reeves 25:28

The country lifestyles dancers that performed about four o'clock here on the stage, and I think there'll be back to perform again this this evening. Maybe they did something similar to clogging but it's not really blogging. They're really just answers. We've got several floats going by now. We're not sure exactly what we've got. We've got Mr. Gay Houston, scot free and Miss Gay Houston. hope for tomorrow.



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This must be the florist.



D Deborah Bell 25:54

Oh, yeah. All those flowers on it. What was your lovely pink? Looks like roses.



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beautiful floral. They're letting balloons go to



Deborah Bell 26:07

closing off this 1992 Bride equals power lesbian gay pride parade celebration. You've been listening to a special broadcast from the lesbian and gay programmers at KPFA. Thank you very much Jimmy Vaughn for engineering to garland gathered for on slide engineering. And for all the people that worked on making this program possible. And to are out here celebrating. This is your day. Happy. Happy Lesbian, Gay Pride. Be



Bruce Reeves 26:36

sure and listen to all the gay and lesbian programming on KPFT. You can hear Walt and Stein with your co workers Deborah Bell and Jack valinski on Monday evenings from nine to 10.



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taking a day off Monday



Bruce Reeves 26:51

break through with pokey Laura and Suzanne on Friday mornings from nine until noon. Myself Kay Harper, Jewel gray and Diane Williams doing after hours from midnight till 3am Saturday night Sunday morning. Thanks again for listening. Thanks again to Jim Vaughn for being with us. Hope you have a very wonderful pride day and we'll talk to you again