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Diane Williams 00:06

If you think queer nation is a bunch of radical queers think again. We're doctors, lawyers, teachers, parents, politicians, students, and radical queers. Queer nation is a group of people joining together to end discrimination in all its forms. Many people are interested in queer nation because queer nation addresses ideals and issues particular to them. Affinity Groups A queer nation include shop suburban homosexual Outreach Program, a program to be visibly queer places where lesbians and gays would not normally be visible, pissed people with immune system disorders. That's FYQ, fine young queers, United Colors of Queer Nation, Q Patrol, the eyes and ears of Montrose, and many many more. We meet Tuesday nights at 7:30pm 1505 Commonwealth in Nevada at the Montrose palace. For more information call 5292969.

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Jewel Gray 01:06

People whose lives have been touched by HIV AIDS are invited to come together for club carnival 90 to a free event sponsored by 10 local HIV service providers. Club carnival 92 will be held on Sunday September 13. from 11am until 3pm at the Metropolitan multiservice Center at 1475 West grey, free food and carnival style games we provided for the HIV AIDS infected individuals and their family and friends. Local jazz band Sebastian Whitaker and the creators will provide live entertainment. individuals interested in volunteering at this event you'd call 6236796. sponsors of this event include AIDS Foundation, Houston, Ovid, Barron, community service Foundation, body positive critical care America, home nutritional services IV team, NAACP, national medical care and the PWA coalition of Houston club carnival 92 is not a fundraiser for any of its sponsors

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H Harvey Milk 04:38

we must destroy the Miss horses Roy shatter them. We must continue to speak out and most importantly, most importantly, every day versus you must tell your immediate family You must tell your relatives you must tell your friends if indeed they are your friends you must tell your neighbors you must tell the people your work you must tell the people in the stories once they realize that we are indeed their children now we are indeed everywhere every every lie every innuendo will be destroyed once you're much better



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and do my own deck some time



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you may come out where will you be? When they



J Jewel Gray 06:52

come? Okay if you're switching around on your dial you've discovered after hours of continuing tradition here on KPFT Houston 90.1 on your FM dial. This is Jewel Gray here with Diane Williams tonight, and we're gonna have a good time. Scott Lewis is gonna be here. Jim Clark is here. We got some friends in the Sally. Sally Woods is gonna be here. Sally, where are you? We're listening. We're waiting. And we're gonna do some interesting stuff. Tonight. We're going to do the Q MC, the queer music zone with Tim Kapur for 30 minutes or so. And following that, we're going to talk about what happened at City Hall This Week. So if you're if you caught some of that on the news and are a little curious, stay tuned, we're going to talk about that. We'll see

if we can get in touch with Q patrol. We're going to talk about family values Molly Ivan's column this week, then we'll do some community events around too. So we'll make sure you have your pencil and paper handy. And after that, we'll talk about some local events going on the garden party just happened and maybe we'll take some calls. So if you have something to add, or you want to question ask, give us a call tonight. We'll take a couple of calls. So I'm going to turn this over to Jim Kapur and let him do the QM Z tonight.

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Jimmy Carper 09:13

And Thank you Jewel . This is Jimmy Carper with QM z the queer music zone this week as every week dedicated to the men and women on our streets patrolling and keeping them safe. The cue patrol following up last week, as you'll recall, we played a little number by a group called lab RIS, which around here, there was some discussion about what that meant, and we told you to go and if you're not a lesbian, go find one. Find out what the labrets is. It's not a body part. Anyway, coming up by laboris the title cut to their song labyrinth was labyrinths doing the title cut from their album, labyrinth and in case you don't have a lesbian friend to ask in case you're a lesbian who doesn't know the labyrinth is the double hand had headed yes headed X worn as a symbol by many women now it doesn't stand for I want to cut my Men's heads off now. It stands for very independent woman as that all right seems to find agreement here in the studio. Coming up next. Not new, not terribly old, but a classic Sylvester doing a song you've probably never heard of taking love into my own hands. Seems like a song for the 90s Yeah. Little Sylvester story there's so many there's no disagreeing that Sylvester was rather flamboyant fact on the one album he wore heels and bleached his hair blonde. But there's a story about him being on the Joan River Show and Joan turning to him and say, well, Sylvester you would drag queen. And Sylvester looked at her and said Joan, honey, I am not a drag queen. I am Sylvester Oh yeah, you're listening to the QM z the que quiere music zone with your host Jimmy. regular feature of after hours. Right here on KPFT. Houston. You just heard Nona. Hendryx doing baby gogo off of her female trouble album. She's not clear enough. Where are you? What do you think we're stands for different. Nona has did an interview a little while ago saying that? Yes. She had a male lover. She also had a female lover at the same time. Coming up something new, something that's only been out for a little while. It's erasure in their new MIDI CD Abba ask. Yes. Yes, they are. They are bringing back some Abba songs. And I must say they do with a little bit better. Well, hell a lot better than Jimmy Somerville did a few years ago when he tried his Abba drag and and flopped. Not because he looks so bad, but because he sang so bad. Just couldn't hit them notes. Jimmy sorry. However, thence and Andy do very well. And if you haven't seen the video, the one coming up called take a chance on me. You're in for a treat, because both of them are in drag. And guess what kids? Vince looks better. Much better. Not only better than than Andy but better than he normally does. So here it is. Take a chance on me. Well, we hit the wrong button. We cut off the song. Oh, well, we'll pick it up next week. That was erasure doing take a chance on me and I was talking about the video that goes along with it. I'm told it's going to be out in the stars next month. So you will be able to see Vince and Andy and drag. This has been the QM Z. Cut a little bit short tonight. Coming up in just a minute we'll be doing the rest of the show. Don't forget this way out. Coming up at 115. Drill you're ready.

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Jewel Gray 13:57

I'm ready. I'm ready. I'm here. I was in a panic. I heard dead air. Okay, I made a slight error earlier in my schedule. We we did forget this way out. How can we do that? I don't know. So

we'll just move things back about a half hour and and we'll do this way out and it's right, right time at 115. Okay, tonight we're going to talk about some things. First, I want to remind everybody that this show and every show that I'm involved with this show and every show that I'm involved with are dedicated to the men and women at the barren Care Center. And there's some there's some real people out there who help us and support us as volunteers here at KPFT. And I'd like to say hi to a couple of Janie's out there tonight. I know she's listening. And I appreciate your support and hope I can be there for you. Becky, I love you. Let's do it. And Q Patrol. Where are you out there tonight? Come on, give us a call. We're waiting to hear from you. Come on, guys. We know you're out there Let us know what's going on. I want to say hi to Randy. I know you're out there listening, Randy. And I know you're hidden out. And we'll talk a little bit about that tonight. And hi to Marian, from Diane. And I want to say to Roy, if you're listening, and if you're not, I'm going to remind you that you make my life a little easier. Thanks. scooters, Scooter. Scott Lewis is here with us tonight. He decided that he wants to wait a few minutes. He's taking a couple deep breaths over here. You taking a couple of deep breaths before we get started night. I'm pretty revved up tonight. So I hope you're I hope you're going to have a good time tonight. Some of the things that we're going to talk about are some positive things going on in town. And we'll get to those later. So make sure you have your pencil and paper. And so you can take some numbers down and and participate in some of the things going on. Scott tonight, and we'll go back to we'll go back. Let me get you on. Yeah, there you go. Now you're on. We'll go back to calling you a scooter because I just for some reason I just hard for me. I met you a scooter. That's right. And you know, I, I'm going to call your scooter. I saw you on TV the other night. How about that? What was going on you? You look good there? Well, thank you looked older. Oh, watch it. Yeah. Well, you know, I want to let you know something I like to. I'm one of those people who like to say now and not Not, not later. I'm really proud. You're out there on TV. It makes me feel good that someone like you is what people see when they hear about gay and lesbian issues that they think you're a good representative. And I wanted you to know that. Thank you very much. And you looked terribly good and terribly smart. The other night smart. You were just right on numbers at City Hall. Was this a planned event over at City Hall. I mean, I didn't hear anything about it before it happened over at the city hall Councilman meeting. It was

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Scott Lewis 17:07

very planned. It was very planned. It was very organized. And it went just as we expected. Almost. To to backtrack for anyone who's been living under a rock and hasn't watched the news or read the paper. City council member John Goodner made some very aids phobic statements. Tuesday, in the council meeting, they have a pop off session is what they kind of call it, it's just a chance for them to talk about whatever they want to address any kind of issue that they want to say how they feel about different things. This last Tuesday, John Gardner wanted to address among other things, AIDS, and how he feels like AIDS, this quote being for money for AIDS is, quote, being thrown down a one way tube with no return for the community. It's not good for the economy. And people living with AIDS should have just been quarantined in the first place, and that would have saved a lot of problems that we're suffering now. And he even suggested quarantining at the current time, until Vince Ryan told him that there are upwards of 110 million people in the world who are HIV positive. And when he heard that, he said, Well, why didn't you tell me that? My question to Mr. Goodner, would be well, why didn't you educate yourself to that? So we went into the city council meeting Wednesday morning, to speak to Mr. Goodner. And we knew full well that if we tried to contact him, he wouldn't want to talk to us. So we went in and we asked our Callaway, Vince Ryan, Sheila Jackson Lee, to suspend the rules so that we could speak so that we could address this man in his comments and let them know

how we feel about it. They all refused to suspend the rules. They said that, while I don't agree with what he said, and they all said they did not agree with what he said, I believe he has the right to say it, which we strongly of course disagree with. So after those three people refuse to suspend the rules. We felt like we had to speak to him and if it was going to take bold measures, then that's what we were going to have to do and on an issue as serious as AIDS and money if it takes getting arrested and that's what we're going to do. So our wonderful Brian Bradley, who is an incredible AIDS activist, probably the most active as channel 13 called him Houston's most controversial AIDS activist, got up and went up and approached Mr. Goodner and started to hollering at him and calling him a fool. And Brian was dragged out by the neck and placed under arrest. And Mr. Goodner definitely knows that we're upset. He definitely knows that we're there. and that this is an issue that he's going to have to address. I'll be it. He walked out silently and wouldn't address the reporters and doesn't want to address this issue. He knows he's made a big mistake. This is not the first time that John Goodner has attacked community, his attack the black community, the Hispanic community, he has attacked women, he has attacked every council member and called them either racist or incompetent at one time or another. And he was a leader in the fight against the referendum in 1985. And I think, I think this time he's met his match. I don't know that he's ever been attacked this way before by anyone that he is attacked.

J Jewel Gray 20:42

What what district does he represent? How was he elected that position?

S Scott Lewis 20:47

F and he is elected because it's out in the boondocks? It's out. Yeah, Sheldon Sharpstown. area. And I understand it's a very good old boy area that he's elected from. He's been there for many, many years. And hopefully not too many more.

J Jewel Gray 21:09

But it's, you know, I wanted to point out some of the reason that this is so important to us to address and to some people think, okay, he said it, he has a right to say what his opinion, leave it alone. But the issue here is, is more than his opinion is that this man sits in front of a lot of people. And people watch these people who are counseled people, and, and live their lives emulating those philosophies. That's how these people got elected is because there are people out here who think like that. So we want to dress these rather quickly. So that the role model that he should be is the, the, his role as a role model should be addressed. Whenever he makes homophobic or racist remarks about anything or anybody that we need to address that to show that there is an opposite role model out there, too. And that can be like I was saying with you on the TV, I think that presenting an equal and opposite view is just as important to me. It's just as important to promote that idea that, that we need to get out there and dress these. It's not something we can just ignore.

S Scott Lewis 22:35

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Well, I think that's what's so egregious about this is that John Goodner, it's not just John Goodner, saying this, John Goodner is in that chair, because he is the voice of 1000s of people. He represents them. He is their opinion in this city. And that's what has angered so many people is that people in his district, who are there are queers in John Gooners. District, whether he wants to think it or not, there are HIV positive people living in John Gardner's district, and he has come out with these egregious statements speaking for them.

J Jewel Gray 23:10

And that's what that's what so it's like when we talk to you about writing letters to, to the television programs, one letter is like, what would 20,000 1000 N and his his voice is like, a couple of a couple of 100,000 when you guess I would estimate and these people need to, to know that. That's that's not okay. It's not okay. If you want to reach John Gardner and let him know what you think about this situation. If you saw or heard and felt something about this situation, you can reach him at 2472002 and his office and let him know how you feel. We think it's really important that you make your voice heard it's an it's a safe way to make your opinion known just picking up the phone calling someone. And it's something we would like to start doing in this town is making our voices heard. You know, I was telling you skewer that thought that. No, this was earlier I was telling I'm sorry, it was someone else was telling earlier about Brian, that this is this is not the first time he's been in jail, is it?

S Scott Lewis 24:22

This is Brian's 12th time in jail if I remember correctly, it's it. I believe it is 12 It might be 11. But it's it's over 10 But this is

J Jewel Gray 24:30

the real scary one, isn't it because of the discharges airy scaring. As Brian was

S Scott Lewis 24:35

being dragged out of the council chambers, he was dragged out by the neck. And if anyone knows Brian Bradley, as I'm sure we all know, Brian Bradley. He is very feisty. To say the least. And Brian will stand up for his rights. That's what he's there to do is to stand up for all our rights and he got up and he screamed at that officer. He pushed that officer from him and he said If you are going to place me under arrest, you place me under arrest like you would any other citizen I am not resisting you. He was not as calm as I am. As he said, I am not resisting you. Don't choke me and don't take me out of here by the neck. And the officer kind of was taken aback and shocked and released him and said, you know, okay, we'll just walk with me this way. At some point during him dragging Brian out of there, the officer scratched his arm. We don't know if it was on the wall or on a door. When I say scratch. It's like a It's kind of like a red mark like, gets kind of like a rash. It's not a cut. It's an abrasion exactly an abrasion, like a roadburn exam. You would probably don't know about her and I. But it's just a just an abrasion on the man's arm. It's not even a cut. And Brian was charged with aggravated assault against a

police officer. He was charged with a \$10,000 bond. Now let me put this in perspective to you. The 10 butchers that killed Paul Broussard, were each charged with \$10,000 bond. Now, does that seem like a little bit unbalanced? They're like something's not quite right. Oh,

J Jewel Gray 26:25

definitely. And it's got to be politically motivated. I understand this. This officer may be reluctant for to press charges.

S Scott Lewis 26:33

The officer was very reluctant to press charges and it was taken out of his hands. Oh, that the district attorney did it. Right. Yeah. So Don Strickland, I'd like

J Jewel Gray 26:44

to clear up i that there were there were other charges against Brian. He was carrying some prescription drugs without a prescription.

S Scott Lewis 26:54

Brian is no secret that Brian Bradley is HIV positive. And the medication that was in his pocket is something along the lines of Valium. The police have even admitted that they know for a fact that this is medication that has been prescribed to Brian by his doctor. Brian didn't have it in the bottle. And that label acts as the prescription and without the prescription. They had no choice but to file those charges. So I think it's unfortunate that that happened because as we've all seen on the news all week long, its AIDS activist charged with among other things, possession of a controlled substance and we know what kind of picture that sends and it reinforces the negative of perverted drug addicts. And that's why I wanted to address it's unfortunate, but, you know, it's a prescription that he just had a couple in his pocket.

J Jewel Gray 27:49

And there was some more excitement outside. I want to talk a little bit about that I every time I think about Lesley Perez out there getting booked she just I just want to die laughing outside during this fracas or soon thereafter. Michael Crawford who was our guest last week, became what was actually from what I saw and I don't know I only had this little burp of of channel 26 News. was attacked by Leslie Perez but both of them were charged. Do you know much about that? So

S Scott Lewis 28:24

you saw correctly Well, I was not too happy to see Michael be arrested because Michael was our spokesperson that day and he was supposed to address the media and I wasn't prepared to

what happened. Lesley being as she is

J Jewel Gray 28:39

sent let's let's let's address who Lesley Perez is quickly,

S Scott Lewis 28:43

Leslie Perez and and I am not the expert on Lesley. But as I did on another radio show this week, I described Lesley as a person who was there trying to take a little glory who she is she is she founded or started got the DBA to act up. I think about three years ago here in Houston. For one reason or another many, many people were alienated from that group because of actions that she took and tell ACT UP has become a two member organization including herself and her mother. A few weeks ago old time members of act up called a meeting and invited anyone interested in AIDS activism in this town which has been outside of Brian bat, Bradley and the piste caucus of coordination non existent for the past few years to come to an act up meeting. You know, they were they were tired of the ineffectiveness of the organization and they wanted to reclaim it under the charter of the original act up in New York, which all act ups around the country follow as long as a minimum of three members of the organization agree no A member of the group can be basically excommunicated, or the group can disavow themselves from a member. And a couple of weeks ago, 33 members of ACT UP unanimously voted to disavow the organization from Lesley Perez. So AIDS activism is back. What happened that day in City Hall is Lesley wanted to make a statement to the media. She wanted to say something and they asked the media asked her after she started making some statements, if she represented any groups, or if she was involved with any groups. And she first said that she was with ACT UP Houston, which is fine, we understand that she's not going to be happy about losing that name. And, you know, that's not a problem with us. But then she said, I'm also affiliated with queer nation. Lesley has never been to a coordination meeting in my involvement with the group. And I think I can speak for coordination. When I say that we don't want Leslie involved in our organization. She said she was affiliated that was very offensive to us. I would compare it to the woman who keeps breaking into David Letterman's home and saying that she is his wife and using his things were very protective of