

HOST 1: A stained-glass curtain. I mean, the stage didn't have a curtain. It's stained glass. And they have the light coming up. And it's like you go from dawn till dusk. It's just absolutely beautiful.

HOST 2: It's beautiful. It's actually a Tiffany thing. It's fascinating, yeah.

HOST 1: It must have been the largest pieces he ever made. It's got to be.

HOST 2: Can't imagine what the value is on that on. It was just-- it's fascinating. Porfirio Díaz, which was the dictator of Mexico in those times right before the revolution, he was in love with all things French. And so he insisted that all of Mexico City look like Paris.

HOST 1: Oh.

HOST 2: And so you go down there, you have these gloriettas, which are those little circles in the middle that we always get lost. You can just get stuck in there for hours and can't get out.

HOST 3: Yeah, that's right.

[INTERPOSING VOICES]

Yeah.

HOST 1: [LAUGHS]

HOST 2: Tons of those. And the architecture, like you said, is beautiful.

HOST 1: Yes.

HOST 2: The food is very different.

HOST 1: Yes, it is.

HOST 2: One of the things that that you keep reminding yourself, or what you notice is that what we're accustomed to here in Texas is a creation of our own, Tex-Mex. The food is nothing like what we have here.

HOST 1: It's true.

HOST 2: And very different. I think it's something that I really do-- one of the things I thought was interesting though at the conference was one of the issues that we have--

One of the issues that our culture has as a Hispanic man is we do discriminate by a person's color. And that's one of the issues that they brought up is how in Mexico, you watch television, and they will idolize these beautiful blonde-haired, blue-eyed people.

HOST 4: Chucha.

HOST 2: I'm sorry?

HOST 4: People like chucha.

HOST 2: Yeah, yeah, exactly. They are what everyone--

HOST 1: Like who?

HOST 3: Chucha, she's like--

HOST 4: Kind of like Shakira. Chucha, like Hispanic women, long blonde hair, blue eyes.

HOST 1: Oh, OK.

HOST 4: OK, Sally Jessy Raphael call it-- I can't think of her name-- Christina.

HOST 1: Christina.

HOST 2: He has blonde hair. She has blue eyes. Luis Miguel, you know?

HOST 1: Oh, yes, yes.

HOST 2: They worship--

HOST 1: Yeah.

HOST 2: This is what a perfect person is.

HOST 1: Oh, OK.

HOST 2: We should all try to look like these folks. It's a huge problem. But it's a problem that I can identify-- we can identify as gay people.

HOST 1: Sure.

HOST 2: Everywhere in the gay press, we're constantly being told we need to look like this. We did it go to the gym, take these supplements, pump up, so we can look this certain way.

HOST 1: To shave off all your hair.

HOST 2: Yeah.

HOST 3: [CHUCKLES]

HOST 1: Deal with the pain--

HOST 2: Yeah.

HOST 1: --with the irritation of shaving all you hair.

[LAUGHTER]

God knows every single queen that's listening to me has done that before. We shave everything.

HOST 3: Anyway, someone's saying that they're shaving right now.

HOST 1: Oh.

[LAUGHTER]

HOST 2: Just wait in two days.

HOST 1: All of you people out there who are shaving, give us a call at 713-526-5738 and let us know, but yeah.

HOST 2: If they're shaving hair at 2:00 in the morning, it's--

HOST 1: Well--

[LAUGHTER]

HOST 2: That even trickles down not only to Mexico but to here. It's sort of-- my best friend and I have a little-- and we haven't discussed it in a while. We had a little running joke in a while as to who was darker, whether she was darker or I was darker.

And we were sitting in a coffee shop once and like assaulted this poor guy that was having coffee next to us like, OK, who's darker?

[LAUGHTER]

And we put our hands next to each other. And we're both fairly light skinned. We're not-- [INAUDIBLE] what I'm talking about--

HOST 3: You could probably rephrase that, who is drunker?

HOST 2: Oh.

[LAUGHTER]

Well.

HOST 1: Well.

HOST 4: That's not the issue.

HOST 2: Well, my dad-- my mom is Mexican. And I look like my mom, dark complexion, dark brown hair, dark brown eyes. It almost looks black. My dad, blond hair, blue eyes.

And ever since I was growing up, since I can remember, my family would always say, it's such a shame, you look like your mom. You should have looked like your dad.

HOST 1: Why?

HOST 2: Well, because, again, there is this idea--

HOST 3: This idea that blond hair and blue eyes is such a wonderful thing.

HOST 2: Yeah. And they'll say we inherited that from the Spanish, which is partly so. One of the things also that I found interesting was that the Aztecs and the Mayas-- and probably, you can say this about all these indigenous groups of people-- had no concept of right or wrong. Things just wore the way they were.

And that included homosexual relationships, which did occur. And the anthropologist and archeologist that we met with would describe us. Their practices and their beliefs would tell us, yes, homosexuality was practiced by certain Indigenous groups. And someone, of course, said, well, what about concepts of right or wrong, because they would talk about things.

I said, well, you have to get that out of your mind, because most Indigenous groups of people didn't believe that way. That was just the way the world was.

HOST 4: And then those damn missionaries came in.

[LAUGHTER]

HOST 1: 'Cause that's an empty [INAUDIBLE].

[LAUGHTER]

HOST 4: How they ever got that called missionary position is beyond me.

[LAUGHTER]

HOST 1: Yeah, I know. It almost sounds idealistic to have that outlook on life.

HOST 2: And really it was Cortez, right, was the one that came with this--

HOST 3: The red hair and the red beard, and so they assumed he was a god.

HOST 1: Yes.

HOST 2: And thought he was quetzalcoatl, yeah, reincarnated.

HOST 1: Yes. And what he didn't actually-- the people, he didn't actually kill outright. They died from germs.

HOST 2: Yeah, because they were--

HOST 3: Yeah, they had no immunity.

HOST 1: No immunity to the cold germ and many others, smallpox, you name it.

HOST 2: That's amazing. I think what's neat about Mexico City or rather about Hispanic culture, is that they're starting to value the indigenous population in that culture--

HOST 1: Good, good.

HOST 2: --again. Because it used to be, they would call a lady, an Indian lady. They'd call them Marias, translation is Mary.

HOST 1: Yeah.

HOST 2: But it was sort of a putdown. You're an Indian. You're ignorant. Tonto, which you know, Lone Ranger. Tonto in Spanish means dumb one.

HOST 1: Oh, I didn't know that.

HOST 2: Yes.

HOST 3: Yeah.

HOST 2: And so this concept of-- ever since people like Rigoberta Menchú, the Nobel Peace Prize winner from Guatemala. Ever since that, there's this move-- ever since her, there's this movement that the indigenous people are a treasure to all cultures.

HOST 1: Sure.

HOST 2: And we should treat them as such. And I think we keep talking about how we're alone in the universe. Are we alone? Is god out there? Is there something out there?

And one of the things the indigenous people teach, which I think at some point, that will be our future religion maybe, is that we're not alone. We're surrounded by white people, brown people, black people, gay people, straight people. And I think the question is to realize that and learn how to work together and love each other, despite our differences.

HOST 4: I think if there is life on other planets, they're probably just waiting for all of us to learn to get along before they show up.

HOST 2: [LAUGHTER]

HOST 3: If they'd invite us over for dinner.

HOST 2: Yeah, yeah. That may take a while.

HOST 1: They're all a bunch of drag queens.

[LAUGHTER]

HOST 3: That may take a while.

[LAUGHTER]

HOST 4: Well, there was a guy, who in another movie was a drag queen in *Lord of the Rings*. Elrond did play in--

HOST 3: The elf guy?

HOST 1: Oh, he was a cutie.

HOST 2: Yeah, he was.

HOST 4: Elrond, not the blond guy, the elf king.

HOST 3: Oh.

HOST 1: [LAUGHS]

HOST 4: The elf king, Elrond, the lord of the elves. He was in *Priscilla, Queen of the Desert*.

HOST 1: Oh, that's right.

HOST 2: He was also one of the robots in *The Matrix*.

HOST 3: *Matrix*.

HOST 2: The bad guys.

HOST 1: Wow, wow, wow, I see.

HOST 3: I like the little blond elf guy.

HOST 1: Why?

HOST 3: He was just trying to be all butch with his bow and arrow but--

[LAUGHTER]

HOST 2: It's amazing though, Hispanics. Hispanic people always talk about White people. We see the dark with the white, white with the dark. I never got that.

HOST 4: You can see that everywhere though even straight cultures like blondes. I'm just making generalizations. But blondes attracted to dark haired people, dark brunettes attracted to blondes. And I don't know if it's the opposites attract thing or not.

HOST 3: Well, I'm not exactly into blonde, but I've had light brown hair in my lifetime.

HOST 2: But what's interesting about the blond elf in that, is the fact that in real life, he's got jet black hair.

HOST 1: Oh, oh I see. No, but I was going through my--

HOST 3: He's not enough in real life.

HOST 2: No.

HOST 1: --erotica sites and pictures that I saved, because I really like them. And all of these guys have dark hair and dark eyes. And I think--

HOST 3: It's just what you like because you're opposites.

HOST 1: Evidently, I never thought of it that way, because-- but that's what I gravitate towards.

HOST 2: Well, somebody told me, which I thought was interesting, was they said 5% of the population in the world has blue eyes.

HOST 3: Yeah.

HOST 2: And yet, if you notice in that movie *Lord of the Rings*, everybody had blue eyes. And all the movies now, everyone has blue eyes.

HOST 3: Contact lenses.

HOST 2: Contact lenses, that's the thing.

HOST 3: Yes.

HOST 1: Doesn't matter what culture you're from, you have blue eyes. It's like everybody now.

HOST 2: So Jimmy, by the way, for all of you listeners, is the only one that represents that 5% here in the room.

HOST 1: And actually--

HOST 2: Everybody else in this room has dark eyes.

HOST 1: --it has changed over the years, because when I was younger, they were more greenish, hazily kind. And the older that I get, the bluer they get.

HOST 3: Really?

HOST 1: Isn't that weird?

HOST 3: It's bizarre.

HOST 4: Maybe it's the medication. I don't know.

[LAUGHTER]

HOST 1: Anyway, so let's wrap up on that, the conference.

HOST 2: The conference ended up being I think very successful. There were a few things, obviously they need to work I think on the gay issues, because I think we are everywhere. I think also with regards to HIV/AIDS, there needs to be more education in Mexico.

HOST 4: I almost hate to even think about the statistics there.

HOST 2: Extremely high. Extremely high.

HOST 3: If they're even accurate, I mean--

HOST 1: Yeah and medications available is probably very little.

HOST 3: Did you do get a sense of that, in terms of what the health care-- or what sort of medications were available? Because a lot of people here go down there for more progressive or alternative type of medicine.

HOST 2: Well, one of the things that was really neat is that they are starting to use a lot of homeopathic therapies and remedies that are government-sponsored. They're looking into all of these things and how those are helping people with chronic illnesses. And it helps,

in some cases even replace traditional Western medicine. We went to an herb.

HOST 3: [NON-ENGLISH]

HOST 2: [NON-ENGLISH]. [NON-ENGLISH], actually is what they call it, which is a place where they basically they study all of these herbs and the effects that they have. And it's become a science down there.

And because a lot of those traditions-- a lot of people, in fact, I know a lot of people who are HIV positive. They've come from Latin American countries. And they are used to that tradition.

HOST 3: Sure.

HOST 2: And sometimes, they don't even want to take, go to a doctor, a regular doctor. And so they've taken an interest in that, and I think that's admirable. And try to do as much as they can to try to understand those subcultures and how best to help them.

It's interesting. It's beyond anything I can imagine. I hope that our country goes the next step in trying to recognize some of their needs and some of their differences hopefully.

HOST 4: And there's certainly an effort underway by people to practice homeopathic medicine. But it's very tough going against the medical industry and pharmaceutical companies and other people with interest.

HOST 1: It's interesting how in countries like that, it's second nature to rely on other things it's outside of the usual take a pill, and you'll be fine. Where here, it is force feeding. You're pulling teeth to get people to do something outside of take a pill, and you'll be fine.

HOST 4: Yeah, actually, once I was speaking at a conference on-- an Hispanic issues conference on one of our local congressman was sponsoring. And I was addressing health care. And one of the points that I was making and I wish I had brought-- I wish I had remembered some of these statistics but I think--

Some of the points that I was making is because one of the things Hispanic-- or gay and lesbian community can learn from the Hispanic community, when they're talking about HIV and AIDS care and other things. Particularly, the focus that our community has, the Latino community, on homeopathic medicine and herbs and supplements and all of that.

And as you start seeing those more and more being used in HIV and AIDS, I think people are given the right tools. Particularly with Hispanic people with HIV and AIDS that have that sort of background are really an advantage in terms of having that as a resource and knowing how to utilize that, where other folks might not be so open minded to that.

But let's take a little break. Some more music from the Gipsy Kings, two songs, "Escucha Me" and "Habla Me."

HOST 1: OK. And you're listening to it on *After Hours*, queer radio with attitude on KPFT Houston and KEOS College Station.

[MUSIC PLAYING]

HOST 4: Gipsy Kings.

HOST 1: That was what?

HOST 4: The Gipsy Kings.

HOST 1: Yes.

HOST 2: What about the Gipsy Queens?

[LAUGHTER]

When is that going to come out?

HOST 1: I think that's me. I was referred to by a coworker as Bobby. Bobby Blue Fingers, the Gipsy Queen. At the time, I had blue ink on my hands, so they called me the Gipsy Queen.

HOST 3: OK.

HOST 1: It's a long story.

HOST 3: Yeah, it must have been.

[LAUGHTER]

HOST 1: You brought up the phrase Gipsy Queens, and that story came to mind. Anyhow. OK.

HOST 2: Well, it'll make a nice screen name for someone, Terrence.

HOST 1: OK, I see 2:30 to 2:45, finding a roommate.

HOST 2: Yes.

HOST 3: God.

HOST 4: Just wanted to give some folks some helpful tips, because everyone seems to be-- a couple of people I know seem to be going through that. Terrence has gone through two roommates in the past 24 hours.

HOST 2: One week?

HOST 4: Yeah.

HOST 2: Yeah, actually 24 hours.

HOST 1: I can't even-- that's not enough time for them to move in.

HOST 2: Well, did you have a house or something?

GUEST: Well, yeah. I moved into a bigger place and had a roommate, friend of mine.

HOST 2: Bigger than my house.

GUEST: Bigger than his house, believe it or not, mattress, everything's big. And so I moved into this place, and my friend of four years became my enemy after three months.

HOST 1: Living together can do that.

HOST 2: Huh?

HOST 1: Living together can do that.

GUEST: Yeah, absolutely. And this other guy of course, the very last minute said he doesn't want to be my roommate because of whatever reasons. I just said I'm going to ask just for a straight female. Perfect roommate I think. It's so hard to find people that you want to live with. I don't know why it's hard. I mean, there's no sex involved, obviously.

HOST 1: Yeah, but she's bound to bring some guys home. That can cause--

GUEST: Well, what does that have to do with her?

HOST 1: Ouch, I see.

HOST 3: She gets first dibs.

HOST 1: So you're looking for roommates now because you have this huge place, and it's costing a couple of pennies and--

GUEST: A couple of quarters.

HOST 1: Yeah.

GUEST: So if anyone out there about six foot--

HOST 1: Oh, right. Here we go. There were physical qualifications for a roommate.

HOST 2: Those of us who fall under six feet.

HOST 1: I think we've zeroed in on your problem here, Terrence.

GUEST: Well, that's why Francisco, I guess, looked on queendom.com.

HOST 3: Queen, D-O-M, dot com.

HOST 1: Amazing what we look at in our spare time.

HOST 3: Interesting. It had nothing to do with being gay either.

HOST 1: Really?

HOST 3: Some poor marketing guy.

HOST 1: Queendom. How queenie.

GUEST: If he could get that, he could sell it for a pretty penny later on.

HOST 3: Yeah. Well, I wish I had this before. Apparently, it's a roommate IQ test. And basically, they have what? 10 questions. And I guess I'll read one.

HOST 1: Yeah, that's right. We're running out of time.

HOST 2: Yeah, go ahead.

HOST 1: We've got time if you need it.

HOST 3: My voice is not OK. So let me go ahead and read one of them. It's time to pay the phone bill. Your roommate took the initiative last month, so now it's your turn. What is the most likely outcome? Your choices are one, you remember to pay the bill on time. Two, you remember but procrastinate and pay the bill late. Two, you forget at first but pay the bill eventually before it's to you. You forget and it takes a reminder from your roommate to pay the bill. You completely forget, and it doesn't get done. Or finally, you give the money to your roommate and let him or her take care of it.

HOST 2: If I were the roommate, I'd rather have the money so I knew it got paid.

HOST 1: And then, doesn't that matter that depends on whose name the phone is in?

GUEST: Yeah, I guess one of the things that-- because I have a roommate and I guess-- I don't know, all the bills come into my name. And so last month, I was really bad about paying bills. I got bogged down with the holidays and everything. So I collected my rent but I still haven't given him the bills for last month.

HOST 2: And I gave him candles for Christmas, so those came in handy. Now the lights are out well.

HOST 3: Not that the lights are out, they've helped and the house smells great.

HOST 1: It's just the mildew.

HOST 2: The phone thing though, the way I solved that, I just decided I'll have the phone in my name, you get your own telephone. Because now they have all these features, star, six, nine, star this. They charge you for every little call you make.

HOST 1: But it's always the problem with the roommate using your phone and making lots of long distance calls.

HOST 2: Absolutely, or those 900 calls.

HOST 1: Oh, my god. That's another. Very costly issue.

GUEST: Or the one we were talking about the roommates who suddenly find themselves out of work around about the time it comes time to pay the rent.

HOST 1: I have a wonderful story.

HOST 3: Can you give me one.

HOST 1: A friend of mine worked with a guy who-- this was about the 25th the 26th of the month. Said, I'm going to have to go dance at Ajay's because I need rent money. And my friend said, well, how much money do you have towards your rent? And he said about \$50. And my friend said, does rent come as a surprise to you every month?

[LAUGHTER]

HOST 3: Like pregnancy.

HOST 1: Yeah, duh.

HOST 3: Well, somehow, my roommate gets-- his deadline to pay is the 15th of the month. I think he figured if he's going to make it to half the month, he's going to stay there for the rest of the month. But I'm not much of an enforcer.

HOST 2: Yeah, that's the tough part.

HOST 1: And the bad situations, I've been in a situation where sometimes your roommate falls for you, and you end up getting those little 3:00 o'clock in the morning knocks, and it's like, I need to check the plumbing.

GUEST: Yeah, he's checking plumbing, all right.

HOST 2: Do you have room for more?

HOST 1: Yeah.

HOST 2: Here's one. It says, you take a phone message for your roommate before she or he gets home. It seems rather important that she or he receives the message before they leave, before she or he leaves town tomorrow. What do you do?

GUEST: Well, nothing out of the usual. Write it down in the usual chicken scratch handwriting and stick it on the bulletin board beside the phone. Write the note and put it in his or her slipper. It can't be missed there. Write the note twice and put one on the bulletin board and the other in the place where she or he is sure to find it. Take the message but don't bother delivering it.

HOST 1: Oops

GUEST: Tell him or her verbally when you remember it later in the day. Purposefully don't give him or her the message if you know she or he cleans obsessively.

HOST 2: I've never had a roommate that cleans obsessively.

GUEST: When he or she is angry, and the place does need a little spit and polish. And go out looking for him or she so you can hand-deliver the message.

HOST 2: Yeah, that's another bad one. Messages.

HOST 3: Oh, very bad. Especially when they're--

HOST 1: How about division the food? Like, I bought groceries and you owe me this much.

HOST 2: Oh, I bought groceries and you ate all of them?

HOST 1: Yeah.

GUEST: That happens a lot. Horror stories

HOST 1: We solved that when I had a female roommate. What was theirs was theirs, what was mine was mine. Her little kid put their hands on it, that boy was going to die.

HOST 3: There was hilarious thing, a couple of weeks ago, both my roommates said, we need to have a talk.

HOST 1: Oh, the old roommate.

HOST 3: So I used to clean up after people. I don't use the kitchen, I don't cook anything. I'll eat out, whatever. So the kitchen's a mess, and we need to figure out how to do this. I'm like, well, good, you two figure it out and let me know what you're going to do to make sure the place stays in shape.

GUEST: Well, my roommate was one of those big, buff, beefy type of guys and had to eat six meals a day. And he had that damn George foreman grill a chicken thing. Kills a chicken, grills it, feathers it all in one-- like in 10 minutes. And so the house constantly smelled like chicken. I mean, spiceless insipid chicken. And that's all he would eat. Chicken and raw eggs.

HOST 1: Chicken and raw eggs?

GUEST: Egg whites, I'm sorry. Chicken and egg whites.

HOST 1: And not even the yolk.

HOST 3: Oh, my god.

GUEST: And it was just disgusting.

HOST 3: Normally is that that house must have been quite a adventure.

HOST 1: Just the egg whites?

GUEST: Just the egg whites.

HOST 1: You must have made a lot of pancakes.

[LAUGHTER]

I mean, what do you do with all those yolks?

GUEST: That's a good question. Although my roommate days are over for right now, I hope.

HOST 2: Does this mean you have to move?

GUEST: No. Hopefully the economy keeps going well, we'll see. We're all worried about that.

HOST 2: Sure.

GUEST: it's interesting those gay men, usually roommates take the place of family.

HOST 2: Oh, yeah.

GUEST: And so the past few days have been a little bit lonely. But you know--

HOST 2: If Jeremy you're listening, I would appreciate my alarm clock and my hair dryer.

HOST 1: Oh, that's the other thing. Yes, things that kind of disappear when they move out. It's amazing. Oh, was this yours?

HOST 2: OK, what are you supposed to do when they come up and ask you, did you hear me having sex last night?

HOST 1: Oh.

HOST 3: No.

HOST 1: Yes, and I got off really well fantasizing about it. What are you supposed to say?

HOST 2: So what is the appropriate? I say no. I mean, hear something or not, I don't want to have that conversation. Well, what exactly did you hear? And then I went, you know, well, I heard deeper.

HOST 1: Ooh, ouch.

HOST 4: : I mean I don't even think you ask that question, right?

GUEST: Oh, I think they're just bragging, it's all talk.

HOST 1: Yeah, I think you're right. Oh did we make too much noise last night? Yeah, I know you got some, OK? Don't rub it.

HOST 2: That is one thing I'm glad I never heard in that apartment, the sound of my female roommate and her boyfriend.

GUEST: You never get a roommate that's cuter than you are.

HOST 1: Oh, you're right.

GUEST: Because every single guy you bring over, oh, who's your roommate?

HOST 2: Yeah.

GUEST: Big, big, big rule in gay community.

HOST 4: : So there's only a short period of my life that I had a roommate. I lived with my first lover, and I don't live with my second. And so I don't I don't have any of that.

HOST 2: See, I've never lived with one.

HOST 1: And then you went back to the first?

HOST 4: : No, no, no, no. I did live with my first lover, and we had a roommate.

HOST 2: Oh. I gotcha.

HOST 4: : And then that ended, and I lived alone since. Even though I have a lover of many years, we don't live together.

HOST 1: Heck, you don't even live in the same state.

HOST 4: : Well, sometimes.

HOST 3: Sometimes it's better though living by yourself. Sometimes.

HOST 2: Oh, yeah. You don't have to deal with--

HOST 1: Because we don't have those, you didn't put the cap back on the toothpaste arguments. Because we just spend the good quality time together.

HOST 3: Well, and you don't have, like my roommate had to bring his family from Appalachia for the holidays.

HOST 2: Right.

HOST 3: Here's my cousin. He's married to my sister. Here's my mom missing her-- but one tooth left. So you don't have to deal with any of that.

HOST 2: Any of that, right.

GUEST: And daddy says I'm a great kisser.

HOST 3: No offense to the people from Appalachia or Pasadena.

HOST 1: Oh, careful, Ben, we will get calls on that.

HOST 2: Oh, yeah.

HOST 4: : My ex was from Chameria.

HOST 1: Oh, well, I guess we need to wrap this up.

HOST 2: Yes. So if you want to take the test or you want to grill your potential roommate, go to queendom.com.

HOST 1: Queendom.

HOST 2: Queen as in queen. D-O-M as in kingdom. The queendom.com. Check it out, they've got some helpful tips on a roommate IQ test that you want to give a potential roommate before you--

HOST 1: You betcha. Thanks for being here, guys.

HOST 2: Thanks for having us.

HOST 1: And bring him again next month.

GUEST: It's fun. It's always fun being with you guys. So spontaneous and gay.

HOST 2: That's the whole idea.

HOST 1: Yeah, that part too.

HOST 2: You know, the sun's already out. What time is it?

HOST 1: Three hours of queer life every week right here on KPFT. We'll see you next week. Thanks.

HOST 2: Bye.

HOST 1: I have an announcement to make. The interim local advisory board of KPFT invites all listeners to its next meeting to be held Friday, January 18th, at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be held at leisure learning unlimited, 2990 Richmond avenue in Houston. This week's topics will be a wrap up of the recent national board meeting of the five stations of Pacifica radio, and an open discussion on the future direction of KPFT. Public participation is welcomed and needed as KPFT moves forward. So stop by and voice your opinion.

Prior to the meeting, there will be an open house at the radio station right here at good old 419 Lovett Boulevard from 5:00 until 6:30. Come on down and find out what's up with the new KPFT. And then we're just going to go right in here. You've been listening to KPFT Houston and KEOS college station. This is-- I've got that, I'll play it. After Hours, queer radio with attitude. I'm going to play some music, and then we're going to have a little kind of thing there for you to--

HOST 2: Think.

HOST 1: Yeah. And they will be back next week, you know that. OK, bye.

HOST 2: We love you.

HOST 1: See you, have a lovely time.

ANNOUNCER: All of us here at KPFT are very grateful for the concern shown by our listeners regarding the ongoing changes, both local and national, which are underway at Pacifica. Sunday beginning at 8:00 AM, KPFT will be preempting regular programming to bring you live coverage of the Sunday session of the Pacifica interim national board meeting in New York.

While we apologize in advance to the regular listeners of blues on the move and blues brunch, there is a need to make sure that the public has the opportunity to stay informed and to participate in this process of change. We expect to have blues on the move and blues brunch back on the air as usual next Sunday, and we appreciate the cooperation of those program producers and hosts who have graciously stepped aside this week to allow coverage of this national board meeting. Beginning Sunday morning, 8:00 AM, at 90.1 KPFT.