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SPEAKERS

Bruce Reeves, Harvey Milk



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ah I am what I am I have my own special creation so come to give me the all the Ovation it's more that I wanted a little pride in my old and it's not a place to hide in lies not worth a damn to you can say hi you've just



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covered after hours so continuing tradition on KPFT



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Harvey Milk 02:35

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we must destroy the miss norses key, shatter them we must continue to speak out and most importantly most importantly every gay person must come out 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 that historic shopping once they realize that we are indeed their children then we are indeed everywhere. Every every lie every innuendo will be destroyed and you will feel so much better



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used to do my own deck. You may all come out



Harvey Milk 04:47

where will you be when they come?



Bruce Reeves 05:49

I am what I am. What are you gainer queer?



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Oh, that word. One of those makes me here too.



Bruce Reeves 06:01

It's 1204, four minutes after midnight in the early morning and you're listening to the after our show.



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Well, I'm not listening to anything. I don't have any headphones.



Bruce Reeves 06:13

When I get through with my headphones, you can borrow them. Okay, they're over there. And I can listen to us too. I



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hope people know I'm here.

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Bruce Reeves 06:20

But you are listening to after hours of continuing tradition here on KPFT 90.1 FM. We've got Mr. Bill Scott with us this morning. He'll be on at 1230 at 115. We've got this way out. And what we're doing tonight is we're gonna play this morning. We're gonna play the copy of this way out that we tried to play last week that died about halfway through,



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we're gonna play the other half or just the first die. Oh, what a novel idea.

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Bruce Reeves 06:49

And then at two o'clock, we'll have Carol Clark and Jack Valinski with who are the co chairs for our gay and lesbian, Lesbian and Gay Pride Week, 90 men to change gears on you. And so there'll be with us at two o'clock. So we've got a full morning. Were all geared up and ready to go and often running. We're on our way



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are we ready? Maybe if they're not awake now, they never will be. I

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Bruce Reeves 07:30

hear that that Jimmy Somerville Bronski beat the Communards doing read my lips. And before that we heard Maggie and Chris at Carnegie Hall and the song was anniversary. And the first song of the evening was from a ratio the two ring circus. Give me Give me me me. Down boy. Give me Give me Give me gimme, gimme, gimme, gimme, gimme, gimme, gimme, gimme, I won't I won't get so just talk. Well, let's say tonight. At the end about 10 more minutes. We'll have Mr. Bill Scott here. He's with new Counseling Center. He's also a an appointed member of the public board of health who was appointed by Richard CSF. How exciting. So we're gonna be talking about his many different hats that he wears and having lots of fun.



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Did you were more awake? Oh, well, I haven't, you know, you never know.

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Bruce Reeves 08:29

And then at 115 We're going to play this way out. We're going to play edition number 206. Wow, March the ninth 19 192, which was the one we tried to play last week, they got about halfway through and died mid word got the the mailed copy. So we're gonna go back to our mailed copies of the tapes because we're having too many troubles with the satellite copies. And so we're gonna go back to that and we'll play that one again tonight. So and of course, if

you want the current news, you can always get him hot off the satellite. This way out, comes down on Mondays and Wallenstein plays the news portion of this way out on Monday nights during their show, usually pretty close to the top of the nine o'clock. Two for the price of one. That's right.



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Thank you for my headphones. And later



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Bruce Reeves 09:20

in the evening in the morning. It's more already found. What's her name's Jack Bauer. Carol Clark from Lesbian Gay Pride Week 1992. We'll be here to talk about the festivities that are going on. They had a garage sale at 730 this morning. Which garage sale and which I should I guess it was yesterday morning. Oh, wow. I haven't been to bed yet. It's still Saturday.



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Make your weekend longer. Have an extra Saturday in there.



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Bruce Reeves 09:56

I don't know. It's confusing. Oh wait, y'all Um, we'll be talking about some of the things that are going on and around in our community and we're gonna have a wonderful time. Next week, your co anchor will be jewel gray and Ms. Grace guest, I believe our jewel, our Larry Lingle owner, co owner of Lobo and a community activist in his own right. And I believe she's also having Diana Williams from queer nation. So that should be really wonderful. And the week after that, I'll be back with Miss Judy. And



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thank you for that information. Mark, my calendar,



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Bruce Reeves 10:40

and our guests so far that evening will be Mr. Pete Martinez. Oh, how wonderful. Pete's come in with names project Houston, the crowds coming back to Houston may 1 to fourth,



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where's Pete when I need him.

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Bruce Reeves 10:53

So that should be festive. In any case, as always, we're looking for volunteers for after hours, if you would be interested in volunteering for after hours, give us a call at 526 4000. And make sure they write your name and phone number and all that important stuff down, calm or drop us a note at 419 Lovett Boulevard and he spell that L O V E TT. Thank you. And that's 77006.



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Sounds good to me. We get lots of calls and letters. Oh, really fun up here. It's really kind of neat. I mean, there's like five or six people sitting in the lobby right now.

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Bruce Reeves 11:33

You know, and if, if you're not normally up between midnight and 3am, and you'd like to help out with the show, there's undoubtedly many different things we can let you do during the day timeout.



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If you're not up between midnight and 3am. You don't hear what he's saying right now. So it doesn't matter. You're

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Bruce Reeves 11:49

not totally true. We know a lot of people that that that that toe our shoe.



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Toe wash out. Okay. Do you even tape it?

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Bruce Reeves 11:58

That's true. So if you're one of our wonderful listeners who's typing, whenever you listen to this, we hope you're having a good day. So David, what



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what's your apparently I hope you get your tongue.

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Bruce Reeves 12:11

More caffeine from my tongue. Oh, well. Okay. I'm ready. Are you ready? I'm



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ready. Here we go. Always ready. Maybe not. Speak Oh, mighty button.



Bruce Reeves 12:21

Turntable one. That's turntable one. Maybe it's turning to Bill Scott. You are what you are. I'm sure I'm clear. So gosh, you've got so many hats.



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Yeah, I do. Or we're just talking about that outside. You know, who what am I wearing tonight? If I put on today? Yeah, I I'm really a social worker in general. And psychotherapist, that's where I really make my living. And I enjoy my work during the day. But I guess I've become an activist and I love being gay activists. And now I'm a public official. And Richards appointed me to the Board of Health of Texas. Which is sort of neat.



Bruce Reeves 13:11

Yeah. So where should we start goodness, when you pick a new Counseling Center, new counseling new counseling



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centers where I work around my private practice with Myles Gillespie. And it's really a group of therapists who serve the lesbian gay community, HIV community and their families. And we're over on Grace dark.



Bruce Reeves 13:37

Great. And how long have you been in this wonderful business?



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I started a modules Counseling Center in 1976 When I came to this town, or 77, okay. And I was founder and clinical director there. And I have a private practice office in that building. Just three years ago, we moved over to this new one, which is called New Counseling Center. Okay, but Montrose Counseling Center is a nonprofit that was started and still quite committed to see that organization going to.

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Bruce Reeves 14:05

They're all wonderful organizations. Miss Judy got me into therapy three years ago.



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And it was about time.

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Bruce Reeves 14:15

That's really great. I'm a firm believer that everyone should be in therapy.



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Well, there's lots of free therapy out there, too. We got a lot of good programs in our community. If people can't afford psychotherapy, peer counseling programs, 12 Step programs, they all work real well. And it's always good to talk to someone and get some feedback objectively.

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Bruce Reeves 14:35

That's true, of course, Montrose Counseling Center is one of they call it sliding scale. It's a



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sliding scale and it's more of a long term psychotherapy. That's what it was set up to be more now it's expanded into women's programs and and as substance abuse program, a very good one that it's good scholarships in the state, and they have a men's program and have a men's Network. program a

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Bruce Reeves 15:02

little bit of everything. So what makes new Counseling Center special, rather than the you work?



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Actually, it's not that special. It's really just a home for a bunch of therapists who have been working for a long time to continue to work together and share a setting that is nurturing and still educational. It's our basic, basic psychotherapy. Okay. It's not so unique. I'm glad to say that Well, good. I think we've got a lot of good therapists and psychotherapists in them. And it is



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unique in its own way, though, because I know that that many, many years ago when I won't say how many, when I had to put my son in the counseling, he was four at the time. And we went to this wonderful tall building, I think it was seven floors, and we were on the fifth. And everything was white, and everything was shiny, and you know, little Formica type tables and hard chairs. And it's like, Mom, I don't want to go to the doctor, you know, I need really you get that feeling. It was terrible. And, and you walked into this child counselor, and you know, they had toys on shelves that aren't but it was still all white. You know, there wasn't a dirty spot anywhere, not even on their white carpet. You know, I have to say good things about it. Because I go there so often. It's



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very, very relaxing environment. It was a home that was easily being able to turn over into a lot of private practice offices. And then there's a beautiful pool there. And I do the gardening on Sunday. Another hat. I love gardening. It's like my meditation therapies. It's my therapy. And I'm very proud of my garden to my great Barber. But yeah, it's an environment. It's really wonderful to work there. Because the environment is so nice. And I think that's just a reflection of the good people working there too.



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Well, I haven't talked to or made anyone there that I didn't like.



Bruce Reeves 16:59

Yeah. Okay. Well, let's How did look sort of changing hats? I guess I'm gonna How did how did Ann Richards pick you to be on the public board?



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Well, hopefully it's from my experience in the community. i She was looking for someone who was HIV positive. And in the lesbian gay community. She's admired our community from afar. Because we have done so much with our as a community with HIV. She's mired the approach that lesbian and gay communities has done. And she wanted someone to be able to come with that view, into the Board of Health to make health to make sure we're being heard. And she looked through the community and got four or five people that she knows well sort of searching and they sort of came up with my name. I did give her a \$10 donation. But that's I don't think that had to do with it. Basically, I served on a lot of boards. I was one of the founding members of the AIDS Foundation. Nice to be a board member here at KPFT. I was the founder of body positive. So I just president of the National lesbian and gay Health Foundation, which oversees over 22,000 health professionals and 89 and 90. I've been on that board, seven years on a national level. So my resume was real thick, and health issues. And as an activist, and having

general knowledge and health overall. I think that sort of got me through the Senate hearing, which was an important step in the right, this is that you do go to the Senate, and they do interview you and they do ask you questions. And I guess I thought I was someone who could pass that. And obviously you do. And I and I got drafted. I didn't I mean, it all happened in a week. I had no idea. It was a surprise. What a surprise. It really interrupted my five year plan. So seven year appointment.



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Plans are made to be changed, right? That's the fabric keeps telling me anyway.



Bruce Reeves 19:12

Yeah. But well, how have you found the Board of Health,



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it's exciting. There's a lot of fiduciary power, which is basically power given to you, which represents the Public Citizen power that you have. And I have been brought on three committees, which is the Personnel Committee, disease control committee and public health or public promote promotion committee. And in all three of those committees, you have a lot, a lot of power to introduce a lot of good ideas. And as well as having 5000 employees underneath you that when you ask for information or data research, they come and give it to you. But what happens here is basically I can start I've been studying the educational system, the Board of Health Rights curriculum for the health, High School. I'm looking at getting homosexuality introduced into the health classes, I'm looking at the feasibility of getting it into the educational system as early as first grade. We're talking about that working a lot on HIV and the special issues they are because the state gives a lot of money and a lot of the federal money comes to the state. So I'm very involved in that very involved minority issues, overall, the equal opportunity, or officers that we have on our campus of the Board of Health, I think there's been some problems there. In discriminating against people of color, and all minorities. So I've become really active in that. It's just so much to be active environment. I mean, I, you know, what's going on a Whole Foods with coke with taking some of their vitamins. I have to get involved in all that. And then there's always Deborah damper, or somebody said, please look into this. And it's a new issue. And you've got to follow through on it. It's a great experience. I'm learning a lot on that sounds great, big responsibility. It's like getting a whole new degree. I've learned so much, but it's exciting. And I really done already have done some major steps in advancing health. And



Bruce Reeves 21:17

this has the rest of the board been except very good.



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The few of them old appointees, I think are a little uncomfortable with surprising their, their woman.



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But it is surprising. Yeah.



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I get along very well with there's 18 of us that oversee all we have all the power put in just for the health of all citizens of Texas, and six of them were female. And all the men I get along with really well in a lot of them. I actually at a board meeting gave a half an hour lecture on the developmental issues of lesbians and gays so I can raise their consciousness. And all the men came up to me that day and said they learned a lot. And they appreciated it and thanked me. And actually, that got read into the minutes of the Board of Health, which got into our Texas Library. And I feel quite supportive. And I still get comments on from them. Even at last week's board meeting and Beaumont pointed out one of my niece with me, she went up to board meeting and I took her with me and and several of them said to my niece, I said, Well, this one's been my mentor here. And they said, No, you've been our mentor. I'm getting some results. I'm raising the consciousness, and I'm paving the way are doing me putting the bricks down for the foundation for us to have a much healthier Texans for lesbians and gays because we deserve it. I we've been oppressed for too long. And that's my passion that drives me behind all these hats is is that we have the psychology of oppression is just put us down for so long. And just not willing to take or I hadn't been for the last 15 years. And that gives me the action and gives me the courage and the hope to keep on moving. It's good. Yeah.



Bruce Reeves 23:11

Well, you mentioned body positive earlier tell us a little bit about body posture. Well,



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that sort of developed out of a private group I was running in my private practice. And I couldn't see continuing to run this group was the therapist. I thought it needed to be spread around or I needed to have lots of what happened is that people were in the original group became the group leaders of next groups. And it became a peer counseling group type idea that developed into a nonprofit organization on a board and and now has four or five groups going a week, every week, which are 10 week groups, which talk about 10 topics that need to be talked about when you find out you're HIV positive, and it's for early intervention. It's to get tested now, find out what your T cells are now, I went to a conference today Dr. Rios this conference, Houston's AIDS Conference, which great news on a combination therapy early early like it's 700 T cells, you're going to live much longer if you start and you find out early, you're HIV positive and start these medications. And it's really exciting. As far as early intervention stuff is really neat. Body Positive is for that and maintaining health before you get sick. That's what it was there. It was a missing part of the AIDS scene that we started I guess it was 8687. I'm not sure the year Why can



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you remember when you have so many good ideas.



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But it's thriving and doing real well. I'd like my new nonprofit organization as a youth center, the Lewis Scott Youth Center, which is just incorporated this past week. And our board finally set Friday. And as soon as we got a building that we've rented up to code of occupancy, we'll be delivering full social services for lesbian and gay youth and bisexual under are 21 that probably will be within three weeks, we'll open our doors. We've had the building for three weeks now. And we need volunteers. We need Volunteer people that sit on our board. If anybody is interested, please send the resume to 2407 Waa 7706. And we need carpenters right now. Any carpenters out there,



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you can ever see me driving nail, carbon, just call 529 1913.



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And yes, we're Bill Scott, and I'll get back to you.



Bruce Reeves 25:35

So that then this is gonna be over on walk.



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I'm the clinical director, Elaine Lewis, the other name on there is the executive director. And we're putting our I guess, basically, we're putting our names and our my license on the line, because we expect to be have some pretty heavy feedback from Baptists and we'll probably be said, accused of being pedophilia, or recruiting. And somebody's going to take us to court on that. But I'm willing to do that. I mean, that's why there hasn't been used services in this town, because most boards take on the liability of it. So we're starting one that's very willing to take the live nobody. I mean, we are we have lawyers that are going to back us up. And we're gonna go to the front door and say, go ahead and sue us.



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That's wonderful. I mean, that's, unfortunately, that's kind of where you have to be. I mean, it's like, someone's out there just waiting for this. And that's real sad. But if you can put one of them down, you don't have to worry about the ones behind them.



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I just don't have to worry. Because when I'm a professional, I'm a licensed social worker whose responsibility is to work with people of all ages. No, it's in my ethics. And these are my brothers and sisters. I'm not a pedophile your arm not recruiting I know what I'm doing. And I have the credentials behind me and I'm willing to put them on the line. So I know it's a win win situation for me. I'm just waiting for someone to challenge



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their their address me and like I said, once you beat