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SPEAKERS


Peter, Big Roy, Kirk Keevert, Jimmy Carper


- J** Jimmy Carper 00:03
I can almost fit in. Oh, thank God. Right? Well, no one is one isn't, you know, just the regular shoe and then the other one they made into a Batmobile. Really? There's a little Bat Girl doll in it. It's really clever.
- K** Kirk Keevert 00:20
Yeah, that's cat woman you pin. I mean,
- J** Jimmy Carper 00:24
oh, that's why. Sorry. Oh, whatever, whatever.
- K** Kirk Keevert 00:28
Not what ever.
- J** Jimmy Carper 00:33
Whatever.
- K** Kirk Keevert 00:36
Thank you for clarifying that. Good. Lord. I didn't know what you were trying to brag about. Oh, speaking of stuff, speaking of stuff going on, there is some stuff going on tomorrow? Absolutely.


 Jimmy Carper 00:48
And that's, you know, like my last official


 Kirk Keevert 00:51
appearance. That would be what?


 Jimmy Carper 00:53
Mary's


 Kirk Keevert 00:55
on the PWA holiday. Yeah, charities. Carnival.

 Jimmy Carper 00:59
It's a carnival going on at three o'clock. Three o'clock. It's free to get in. Yes, food, free food
game shows displays, fantasy booths. And at Mary's that can be I heard that

 Kirk Keevert 01:14
and fabulous merchandise. I just have to go through the product here and see how many times
the word fabulous has mentioned.

 Big Roy 01:19
Oh, but no. Now there's another thing too about this. Oh, Senegal.

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Jimmy one.

 Big Roy 01:24
I know. Jim. I understand. Kirk's got a third degree black belt in tongue Fu.

 Kirk Keevert 01:35

nd you know, as much as I would like to comment on that radio. There are laws about that sort of thing.

 Jimmy Carper 01:42

But anyway, there's there's been a lot of stuff going on beforehand. From from from religious services to bar show.

 Kirk Keevert 01:51

There's the Gay Pride masses tomorrow at one o'clock at dignity. 13 and seven Yale. Yeah. Dignity supporting that we're not right. The beer garden tomorrow at chances is at noon. that's free to get in as well.

 Jimmy Carper 02:07

And when the dessert bar Charlie's is is going on all week.

 Big Roy 02:10

All the dessert bar, Charlie.

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Oh, one of the pride events they had last Sunday on the 22nd that NCCR the church? Yeah. And Metropolitan Community Church.

 Jimmy Carper 02:22

Yes. And they comment on that because you went I was.

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It was fabulous. It was not only Houston. But it was also MCC Knoxville. They had gone there and perform the concert and then Knoxville came to Houston. To perform the concert. They rented the music hall. Music Hall wouldn't let him in the night before. So they started setting up the stage at 530 that morning. And for getting in early. They got charged extra. But because of the attendance they had 2100 in attendance, they were hoping for 1700 And they went up at 2100. That is wonderful. They are now going to make it a yearly event.

 Jimmy Carper 02:58

Good Good, good guys. I got to go to the the the make a joyful noise, which was a gospel concert of four different churches



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also had Carolyn moblie. Yes.



Jimmy Carper 03:09

Oh, that was wonderful. That's the this is the seventh year that has been going on. And you know, I'm not a religious person. But the music was really outstanding.



Peter 03:20

And also I was at a meeting with Carolyn the other day. Yeah, and they're gonna do a replay of that in October. Oh, but place has not announced yet. I mean, I know there's gonna be details out but then knock so people are gonna hear their whole choir and she and all the whole bunch. They're going to redo it again in October.



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Okay. All right. Let's do the solos to the unfortunate part was the person that they had hired professionally. to videotape it went someplace at 9am. But it was not the music hall. So it didn't get video. No audio was done of it.



Jimmy Carper 03:54

Oh, that is a sharing? Yeah. Well, maybe when they do this repeat. They can they can do that. Get someone



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in there. Yeah. And now




Big Roy 04:02

it's gonna be yearly. There's another thing about this prior this probably weekend. If you haven't picked up a copy of the Houston voice. Get it? It's a keeper. Because this year for the first time now we can debate from now to the cows come home and neither side when the debate how effective President Clinton has been. Yeah, but this time is the first time that a sitting president has sent out, you know, a special message for gay pride. Right. Right. It was that? You know, and so, that is very important, and that's very significant. We've come a long

way baby. Now. We've got a lot further to go. But you know, to get official recognition official, you know, commemoration from the President, a sitting President sitting president. That's very, very important. That is that is so important. You can't even begin to know to fathom how how important and how much weight that carries?

 Jimmy Carper 05:03


I think so too. I really do. I was impressed so if you don't have it, pick it up. That's something to keep the the thing the other thing I wanted to say was that I got to see a lot of the gay community I don't normally get to see because I don't go to a lot of bars. But I met Nevada who is who is a she's running for MS teach era this year. She is an entertainer she sings Country and Western music. And she has prompt Oh, she is great. She has promised me a tape of some of her songs so I can play them so you know week rather than just duck Stevens and sit Spencer we can have some local country and western entertainment.

 Peter 05:46


Can we do some of those on the Peter and Connie link?

 Jimmy Carper 05:48

Oh, yes, we can. I wish I had the baddest

 Peter 05:51

favorite. I love that was

 Big Roy 05:52

really good. And whereas Connie Lena, really?

 Peter 05:56

Oh yeah. Oh, hold back on the cruise.

 Jimmy Carper 05:59

Anyway, but since I don't have her I do have a group called Lindsay Wildheart and the Amazon range riders. This is a group I just I found this you know, hey, looks pretty good. They're out of Denton, Texas.



K Kirk Keevert 06:14
Nitin Dan, that this is good. Butter.

J Jimmy Carper 06:18
This is the real stuff. And I really liked the last one on here. It's called the Amazon range ride or so for a little Pride Week country in western I give you Lindsey. Lindsey was Wow. Amazon range riders. Oh, this

B Big Roy 06:39
is live radio folks. This is live

J Jimmy Carper 06:41
radio right here on KPFT Houston and KEOS College Station. This is after hours. We're radio with attitude. Yeah, push the button. Lord Yeah. Thanks very important. A cup of coffee


K Kirk Keevert 07:12
Ooh. Oh, right away honey that that less fell out but was just hung like a whole word.


J Jimmy Carper 07:20
You never stops. Oh, gosh. That was literally Wildheart in the Amazon range riders and you're listening to it on after hours. KPFT Houston and KEOS College Station. I'm Jimmy Carper. Let's say we've got Kirk Kevert, Kirk Kevert Peter is still in the house,


K Kirk Keevert 07:39
in the house,


J Jimmy Carper 07:42
whatever.


K Kirk Keevert 07:43
And we're gonna shout outs in a minute.


 Jimmy Carper 07:49
We've got Scott from hatch, and we still have Michelle Meyers from Q patrol.


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Yes. Q patrol is out there right now. Here. There.


 08:04
They're coming over the microphone. Yeah. Yeah. Well, she's got her radio.


 Jimmy Carper 08:08
All right.

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Well, I'm just checking on him to make sure they're actually are out there patrolling around. Oh, I see that. They might be at the outrage party.

 Jimmy Carper 08:19
or So sitting on the pole or something?

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Oh, wow. You do that a lot. Particularly when I'm with it's so easy to get your feet sore when you're walking around. Yeah, we need people to come out and volunteer. And so we only have to walk, you know, two or three times. There you go. So anyone who wants to come and join us, it's mainly a lot of fun. It is. We just walk around. Make sure nothing's going wrong. Sometimes put up with a little bit of passion. Well, and now we're working fine. Every once in a while. Yes. But it's

 Jimmy Carper 09:01
we're reporting on things that happen. We're not taking action on things that now we report. Right. I don't want people to think that we're a vigilante group.

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Oh, absolutely not. I couldn't do that. I



Jimmy Carper 09:12

couldn't either. I do well enough to just drive the car without getting into an accident.



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I've been with you. I think you drive fairly safe. Oh, thank you.



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When you're being regulated by the parade, yeah.



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So anyone who wants to come and join us, just call 528 safe. That's 5287233 and volunteer. We walk every Friday and Saturday. And then next Saturday, a few people from Q patrol are going to stop by and maybe we'll tell some humorous stories about what happens to us while we're out on patrol.



Jimmy Carper 09:54

So many Oh, are they good? Yes, they are. SCOTT Yeah. hatch. Yeah, we were what a contingent Hatch had this year. Big group.



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Yeah, we've, we've gotten a lot more people in the last year. And a few of the friends that we made when we went up to Austin to do an event without youth also came down to Houston for the parade. So we had four or five people from Austin also nice. That's nice,



Jimmy Carper 10:21

but you had this marvelous float. But I have to ask you about it. I went by and Okay, look like this boiling cauldron.



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Well, it was more of an egg. I don't know what was going on with that. Just before the parade. Justin was running around. Oh, going? Does anybody know how to work a smoke pot?



Jimmy Carper 10:42

Why did you have smoke coming out of it?



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Don't ask me I know. I don't know where they came up with that. I wasn't part of the design crew. I was just there tiny little gay balloons everywhere. You were too busy driving your car to notice anything? You know, detail.



Jimmy Carper 11:04

Actually, I was I was sitting up on the back of the car and she was driving.



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Yes, Driving Miss Jimmy. Yes.



Jimmy Carper 11:13

That's right.



Kirk Keevert 11:16

Driving Miss lazy.



Jimmy Carper 11:18

Next week, Queen. Next week, we're starting a new spot. As a matter of fact, hatch is going to have a spot on after hours. first Saturday of the month, right around 1am. Yeah,



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we've just this last Friday. I took a signup sheet for like the next several months. And we've got I think at least four people signed up for the first three months already. Good. So



Jimmy Carper 11:47

it's Nathan, one of them. I think I owe him a phone call.



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Yeah, um, well, I have his phone number



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but oh, I think he signed up like the second month. But we've got a few people signed up for next month, definitely on the fifth. And we still have to meet and decide exactly what we're going to be doing. But that that won't take much time.



Kirk Keevert 12:16

Y'all had such a such a big group that came came last time you guys were here. Yeah. And I didn't hardly see any of them in the in the group tonight.



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Everybody who was there for the show was actually was in the parade. It's just that we had such a large group and



Jimmy Carper 12:32

I know many



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twins don't understand the concept of spreading out so they can see you they were all huddled in one group. So



Jimmy Carper 12:42

they don't have to stage presidents yet. No.



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Sometimes you just have to be born to royalty.



Jimmy Carper 12:48

Oh, get her and who's gonna be the grand marshal that next year?



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Well, there was a parade that had a lot of groups from all over the state in Austin not too long ago, a couple years ago. And hatch was one of the groups that was grand marshal for that parade pool, which was really fun. Because, of course right now, Austin is the gay city in Texas, it seems



Jimmy Carper 13:13

that way. And why is that? So?



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I'm not sure I've noticed there's a lot to homosexuals there. Well, actually, we have more homosexuals than Austin. But I've noticed that a lot of capital cities are usually more liberal and friendly to everybody.



Jimmy Carper 13:26

Because especially Austin because it's a big university town. Yeah,



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it is with UT you have to put up with all manner of different people



Jimmy Carper 13:34

Yeah, but the you know, with that there comes a lot of liberalism. Yeah. Well,



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people go to school to learn and usually the people who learn are a bit more liberal than those who don't,



Jimmy Carper 13:45

we'd like to think so anyway. Okay, let's go to another piece of music because another entry that I saw is a local performer who we don't we don't see too much up but she's around in the gay community a lot. Pink. Oh, yeah. Yeah, I



Kirk Keevert 14:04

remember seeing her Yes.

J Jimmy Carper 14:05

She was in a car. i It was like she was almost all the way past me before I saw her name and realize that was her. But she's got a new album coming out. Not it's not out yet. But her last album was just great called hush the drama. And there's a great song for the community on it that I've played many, many times. It's called given take. I want to play it for you now on after hours. KPFT Houston and KEOS College Station as we speak, okay, so anyway, there's some other things we wanted to talk about and the parade if I can get some people in the studio.

K Kirk Keevert 14:52

And nobody wants to go talk now.

P Peter 15:00

Oh, it's good to get it. Oh, okay, so BEX, you're gonna play music. Or do you want to talk about the Dallas?

J Jimmy Carper 15:07

Oh, we've got to talk about your Dallas.

P Peter 15:09

Sure Dallas were the most drop dead gorgeous bunch of guys that I've seen in ages and there's some girls in there too. Yes. Put on this huge performance at about little past Mary's throwing people into the sky. I mean, literally, curling I think she would do on math and they're doing in the middle of the street.

J Jimmy Carper 15:28

I was so impressed with crowd was just watch here. Dallas isn't athletic group. acrobatic? Yeah, they were they were right in front of me. What before the parade, doing, like working out like practicing. And you know, like three people high balanced on each other and people around after they're

P Peter 15:49

after they're three storeys high. Then they throw this nearby jumps down. They catch the one on Yeah. Oh

 Jimmy Carper 15:55

my god, it's absolutely amazing. The leader of the group, Ken came over to talk to me and correct congratulated me and, you know, and, and said that, you know, he was talking about how they were supposed to be in Toronto. Oh, really? Yes. But they, they, they wanted to come to Houston instead. Because it's a tradition. Oh, well, I feel special. And let me tell you about Toronto, honey. Oh, they have a huge parade. 150,000 people go to the gay pride parade in Toronto. Oh, I can't believe it's as big as San Francisco. Oh, it's huge. Well, but they would rather come to Houston. It's the mecca of Toronto. Now. I mean, you know, we I know we have this thing between Houston and Dallas. But what do you mean that we hate them? Well, we say we do and, and all of that we have a nicer thing to say was we have a rival Yes, we do have a rivalry. But when you when you have have a group like that, who would rather come to the Houston parade and, you know, because? Because we're all Texans, and just just makes you feel good.

 Kirk Keevert 17:01

And it was it was nice to see him and they were and it was nice to look at them. Oh, definitely. Yeah.

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Another really special part of the parade too. That really, really made me happy to be a gay person. And attending the Houston night parade was when the Houston Fire band

 Jimmy Carper 17:21

The Pride band.

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Right. Oh, they were fabulous. They were next to comparison with any that I've seen on TV or anything, any bands. It really made it feel real special to have them there and they were great. They are really

 Jimmy Carper 17:37

good.

 Peter 17:38

There was one or two that baton thing through that. Yeah, that was really good.



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It was up there. All their instruments are outlined in white. Yeah, it was amazing. It was



Peter 17:50

it was it surprised her that she really did catch the thing like last in the night.



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And and have you seen so much Lamaze since Liberace?



Jimmy Carper 18:01

Garden gorgeous. Black and Gold when may



Peter 18:08

people want to snatch it off their back,



Jimmy Carper 18:11

so to speak.



Kirk Keevert 18:17

You know who else had a huge contingent? Not really surprisingly, but



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PFLAG PFLAG. Yeah. How they were fabulous. Yeah, every,



Kirk Keevert 18:26

every real thanks for PFLAG. Yeah, yeah, every every primary I've ever been to anywhere. They, they're always so well received by the crowd. It's always so nice to see him. And, and, and to have the response from the crowd. As as loud and as welcoming as it is.



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They had some really neat the balloons printed to that they were throwing I can't recall what I said it had like three words on it. But something about family values that were really, really need. There was



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a part that was sort of unseen in the parade. There was the Houston gay and lesbian parents had something for their members and anybody else who wanted to drop their children off. If they didn't want them in the parade over at Grace Lutheran. No. It's really nice. They had a potluck over there. Nice. Yeah. Well hatch met over there before the parade just as a central place to go. And as we were, you know, sitting in the church, waiting for people to show up, I noticed that they had this potluck thing going on. And after the parade, when we went to go pick up our cars, there were still parents over there babysitting children. So



Jimmy Carper 19:37

we sometimes forget about Grace Lutheran and they do a lot of things for the community.



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They do. They do a lot of amazing things. They have a or they sponsor a chapter of Lutherans concern, which is a pro gay group within the Lutheran church nationally, and they have different chapters everywhere. And a friend of mine who's now up in Santa Larry was one of the key people in starting that



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great. Jeff just located some of the balloons and on one side of them they have printed PFLAG their phone number Area code 713-867-9020 in Houston. And on the other side was printed keeping families together. Oh, yeah. It was really impressive. Well,



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the good thing about PFLAG also is even if you don't have any family, in Houston, you can go there. And it's like having an extended family. Yeah. Because you walked in, everybody knows you. Everybody comes up and gives you a hug.



Jimmy Carper 20:35

I noticed that they're hug intensive.



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They are. And they do a lot of they do a lot of good community work in their



Jimmy Carper 20:43

group went by several of the people. Here, let me give you a hug. You know, we're hugging people. Yeah. That was really nice. Yeah, that was nice. Because a lot. There are a lot of us who get kicked out of our families when they find out today and that it's nice to know that this is a group we can go to. True. Yeah. Very true. Gosh, there's just so many great groups. Well, we're cheering so many things. Oh,



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I know it. After a while we're returning the windblown garbage still there.



Jimmy Carper 21:17

There was an I want to comment that there was very, very little litter. You haven't looked at



Kirk Keevert 21:25

the beginning of the parameter you know,



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chances are they're not. bleachers, you're standing on top of the empty beer cans.



Peter 21:34

Corners of Montrose and whatever the West Grand and yo



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Pong last time.



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It's really bad. Loads of bottles.



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Really? Really Yeah,

 Jimmy Carper 21:45

I guess I did miss that. It wasn't many people were really found down there. Yeah. But yeah, at the very beginning, in the very end where I was, I was toward the end after after I went through and I was watching the rest of it. Very little later. I was over by cuties. And you know when told me

 Peter 22:06

last time, so talk about later I'm gonna go there. I'm

 Kirk Keevert 22:13

finding out things changes. The parade went along, like, originally when people you know, the sort of patrolling people would walk by they're like, Okay, keep up on the sidewalk. And then was like, Okay, keep up on the curb. Yeah, keep Okay. Keep back next to the curb. Okay, keep back behind the white line.

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Oh, and then outside. So the flow could go but yeah, exactly.

 Kirk Keevert 22:35

Eventually. It's like you're not a float get

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out of the way. By Charlie's ever standing right by the double yellow stripe going through the middle of the street. Yeah. Yeah. And have you ever seen such a turn cruising turnout in front of Crossroads before? Gosh, I know. There were there were there was probably 20 people deep standing outside of crossroads. It was amazing.

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Yeah, there were about that many sitting inside to until they finally opened the doors. Then we're gonna, we're gonna open after the parade was open over. And then they put a sign up in the window, they'd open at 1115. Because they're staying open until 2am. They finally reopened about five after 11 after enough people stood there and gave them dirty work. But they were packed, they



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stay up and it's Gay Day. Lots of people.



Jimmy Carper 23:24

Good. Good. I'd like to see that. I hope it was good for all of the gay businesses that that were on the Strip. I really, really do because it's for them to we sometimes forget how many how many times our 501 C three organizations look to the gay businesses for help. donations. Yeah, you know, help us with this. And, and they're very good. And they're always very good. Yes.



Peter 23:50

I mean, you that's why I have the yellow pages. I mean, I know a lot of people that they go to their first.



Jimmy Carper 23:56

Yeah, if they want. Yeah, you know, I need a locksmith. Let's see, go get the game. I was reading Yellow Pages and see who advertises their, you know, whether they're gay or lesbian or not. They want to be associated with the community, and they want to help out.



Peter 24:11

And that's where we are today.



Jimmy Carper 24:13

Yes, you betcha. You betcha. So where are we kids? It's 19 After the hour of one and how about that pussy Tourette song that we finally got going on Wow, that's a drag queen. No, really? No.



Peter 24:38

With a name like



Jimmy Carper 24:39

I know you're not gonna believe it. But Tourette's. Tourette is this person's real last name. And he said he's not the most masculine guy in the world. And and he chose his first name, sir. I'm



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Peter 24:55

looking at the thing you're holding. Right? That's a definite Yeah,

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Jimmy Carper 24:59

he He chose his first name because that's what everyone called him in high school. He just turned it around and became a singing star pussy Tourette has videos out. And yeah, yeah. It's great. That's this blues number that you might hear on on Sunday and the blues show. It's called if I can't sell it. And I think Percy does a wonderful job. Here we go. Even you could sell to