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Vanessa Edwards Foster, Roy



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was lto with his, from his album The veil, higher ground, beautiful music, beautiful music. And now



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let's try that this is community radio, folks



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welcome to after hours news interviews with big Roy. And your Michelle lists.



Roy 00:36

I am Michelle. She's still under the weather this weekend. Oh man, I was talking with her earlier today. And, you know,



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she okay.



Roy 00:44

She's been under the weather and I told her you know, because it's so cold and damp and everything I told her, you know, it'd be better. Go ahead and take the night off again. I don't want that to happen, or you know, better than we have 100%



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Well, I know. I know. You've got some stuff and I'll be jumping in here with some stuff too. Just to make you nervous and upset. I'll just jump in there and right in the middle of everything right in the middle of it. Okay, so,



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hey, you're the boss. Right?



Roy 01:14

Okay. Also, for our listeners. I just want to say that we have a visitor with us tonight. Over there. On the other side of the broadcast window. We have my visitor it looks like me Kelly are



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what you're here like at least once or twice a month, once or twice a month, right Bo D clown his and



Roy 01:35

he's all dressed up like Emmett Kelly. Yeah, well, I



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did a show night over it. Mary Oh, and



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without a dress.



Roy 01:45

Or watch clowning around as always, yeah,



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no, Wilma. We had a roast we roasted Wilma. Roasted. That's right. I saw that rose for Wilma and get a benefit and stuff and raise money. You know? It's almost dead numbers and i i get a

number called yard. You don't have to call me darlin. Okay, my little, but I was. I looked like I was in a martini glass. That was the costume. Or I've



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seen that before. But you have got something coming up on the 28th 28th.



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March 28th. Seven o'clock mark drag time either. Boy, that's early. No, not really. Seven o'clock on Sundays. We have a lot of people that do work.



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You know, when you whisper you can still hear that over there.



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Sorry. Yeah, some people do work. And I've heard that some people. It's a Sunday night. So okay. Some people like to have to see shows. Yeah, a little bit. Especially I'm hearing this from the baby boomers. Did you know that the baby boomers are basically saying, Hey, give me a break out of bed early.



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And the old farts are up there till midnight. One o'clock. You know, hey,



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but I'm here and more people are saying they see shows earlier the day if you know a lot of benefit shows on Sunday art



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or earlier? Yeah. Early. Yeah. You're right that when the ones over at like the BRB are always



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at eight o'clock. Yeah, everybody. You know, I think they don't have steak night



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over there anymore. Or think they still have the pit. I guess they still know they don't they don't have they don't have steak night on Sunday.



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Why don't want to speak. I didn't even know this. Well, you see how their bar looks? I think it looks fantastic. They just moved it around. Where it made more space.



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Okay, wait a minute now. Okay. But as I said, there, yes, that's right. March 28. It's



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March 28. Where, EJ ej 2517. Routh street. That's,



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that's run by that kind of restaurant in the chart marks. Yeah, they're adding on to it. So if it's EJ so you're gonna have a little boys taking their clothes off?



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If they want to. It's a variety show. Oh, wow. I mean, I leave it up to you. Nice. Yeah, I



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like that variety. Alright, so you're looking for performer? Yes. I'm



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always looking for performers. Yeah, you're not doing this on your own? No, I have a co emcee. You certainly do the ever fabulous, dancy fall. And you won't believe this. You know, I get on the internet a lot. And I have a little signature at the bottom of my email. And it always says, whatever. I want to talk about it. Yeah, since I'm having this benefit and everything. And I said co emceed by Rainbo McLeod and Nancy Ford. Yeah. Someone from Katy Texas. who is a friend of mine. Yeah. straight friend on another chat line. You know, and we chat on this chat line. She says is this the the Nancy? Well, is there any other?



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No, not that I know of. And she is vaping



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so I have to get back if I someone can tell Another Nancy Ford. Yeah.



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And when I call her up, she's usually here on the third Saturday, I have to give her a call and say, Hey, Nancy,



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but she's gonna be there. And I am looking for different people that like to entertain a baby. I don't know. But Jimmy Carper. Have you heard of him? No, never. Have you ever seen Jimmy Carper in a dress? Would that be fun?



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That would be awful.



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But I've had some activists that like, they said, they'd like to do it. So I'm just wait. I'm



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telling you. I, I've been dragged twice in my life once when I was very young. And that was that wasn't bad. And then, oh, about 10 years ago. Somebody talked me into it again. And had pictures taken, you know, had this elaborate outfit and all of that long dark wig and stuff. And when I got the pictures back, I thought, Oh, my God, I need career. I look like Loretta Lynn's mother. That's all right. And so that what I figured now I don't need to be in a dress. It's uncomfortable for me anyway.



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You know, I'm talking to some of the drag queens that entertaining. Yeah, for EJ. So I asked him if they would help. That would be great. With some of the makeup on some of these activists that they would like to do I see and they've got industrial strength.



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That's what it would take for a lot of us. Let me tell you, but



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it's gonna benefit we've heard tell ya, who's gonna benefit Gay Pride Week. Gay Pride committee. Yeah, good. Yes. Good. Good. So



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we and those are the folks that bring that huge parade to you. Every year, the last Sunday in June, and we're gonna it's a longer parade because Saturday Saturday in June.



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It's gonna be a longer parade. Yeah, yes. I mean, we had to shorten it the first couple of years because of a city or



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Philly asked city ordinance. You couldn't have it longer than a mile if you had a nighttime parade. Why? Yeah, that makes sense. Right.



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I think this was started to school like it did. Yeah. And go all the way. So it's gonna be fun. Oh, yeah. Yeah. But you know, they need funds. And



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sure they do. They need seed money. And so that's good. You know, you have to have police and you have to have permits and, and all that stuff costs money, folks.



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And so we're going to have a little bit of fun to make some money. Yeah, good. Good. Good. And if you have some talent, what that can be presented. Oh, I see. Yeah, well, that could be prison as well. You know,



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maybe you could have that backlit in front of a sheet or something. Like those boys used to

dance.



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Over the jail. Oh, you remember that? Oh, I remember that very well. Shadow



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shadow dancing. Yes. Well, I could I could perform my talent. That's the only way I could do



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another stage. Yeah. Would you do shadow dancing at EJ I wouldn't be



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dancing if



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I was basically the only one they got to I would need someone else with I was basically the only one that got to see what was behind the I know they were all naked. Yeah, guys only got to see the shadow. Dammit. That was 10 years ago. Okay. Okay, I'm getting 20 a word here. March 28. Seven P



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and how did they get in touch with your ass? Or any other part of you? You get hold of a



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rainbow deep clown.



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How do you spell that? Well, I



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spell a little bit differently I spelt like the bread are ai n b? Oh, yes. DKLW Yeah, that's right. At web tv.net web tv.net



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Get her



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or you can get me on a phone to eight one and I always give out your phone number. Your phone number don't matter. Don't call it doesn't mean I'm gonna be able to answer you. Doesn't mean I won't be able to answer you because I usually I'm on the



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No kidding. You'll get a busy signal all night long. The caller three in the morning. I



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live outside the loop. So you certainly do in a pink trailer. With a big pink flamingo this



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segments going on way too long.



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The phone number is 281-448-0959. Right. And I'd be glad to put anybody



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there are incredible amounts of fundraisers this month. We'll be talking about what fundraisers go. Oh my god. We've got Mr. Ed. Who is running grunting for Mr. Prime choice. That is a horse. Oh yeah. ED glass glass. Glaser. He's a bartender over at the outpost.



Roy 09:30

Where's the beef? Yeah. Yeah, he



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is pretty man, too. He is doing like there's I've got a list of five fundraisers. he's doing and he's there. He's doing them for Colt 45 Stone Soup Stephens house and the gay and lesbian

there. He's doing them for Colt 45 Stone Soup Stephens house and the gay and lesbian switchboard. And on St. Patty's Day, March 17, at eight o'clock Wednesday. That's right. He'll be doing one at the outpost, which is right there on Richmond, march 20. He first he'll be doing with at the lazy j with Shawn Carter, Mr. Gay Texas on the 28th while you're doing yours at the same time he'll be doing when at the briar patch at eight o'clock with the court, then April 2 at Nighthawks and April 11, but decades. I mean, it's just this guy's really working it incredible what else we got in the news. People are tired of listening to me. Okay,

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Roy 10:32

this week on news interviews, I've got a bunch of heavy stuff to lay on everyone. Seems that the FBI is in search of this crack whore murder. White guy. That's right. The FBI No, I



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saw that crack on anyways,

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Roy 10:51

and but this guy is targeting people in the gay community. The person's name it well, this person is a 29 year old, Percy are Perry, Wayne Froman. And he's headed directly to the gay community to get money and ID. He's already killed somebody out there in Birmingham. And he's also committed on robbery in a number of assaults. And Froman is described as a white male, six feet two inches tall, 180 pounds clean shaven with brown eyes and brown hair with a crooked he's a good looking kid who can easily coax potential victims into conversation and lo them into trusting him. He can be identified by his crooked and chapped teeth. And there may be fresh injuries on his hands from an assault he allegedly committed earlier Tuesday up and Tyler and Mr. Froman could be driving a stolen 1987 Two Door maroon Oldsmobile with Texas tags B eight seven B x C. And it's a vehicle of that description that had been stolen from a manufacturing plant around 3am On Tuesday morning of the assault and robbery at a hotel, night clerk and in Tyler. He was last seen in Tyler where he had been living since February 28. And on March 9, he allegedly attacked and robbed a 35 year old female night clerk employee of the Tyler Ramada Inn, where he lived and worked as a maintenance man. His Mo is that he trades sexual favors or money or for crack cocaine. He preys on gay men, and he usually that he usually meets in social settings such as gay bar. He has no age preference for his victims. But he prefers transient relationship. He may stay with someone for two or three days mooch off them and then move on after he's robbed him and he's already killed. Like I said one person in Birmingham, Alabama, and so the FBI is looking for him. If you have any infinite information as to his whereabouts, please contact the Houston office of the FBI. Or as always, you can contact Crimestoppers at 713222 Tip s. And we'll be right along. in Galveston, we have people that are getting ready to open up a gate in it will have a 21.1 rooms. And they are meeting some opposition from a local Baptist minister there by the name of Ken Barber, who has also recruited Houston Minister Aubrey Vaughn of the Grace Baptist Church here in Houston to oppose and to try to stop the opening of a gay in. And these these ministers are saying that they the gay men who have tried to open up this new in our molesting children and that gay people molest children into their lifestyles. It's once again it's just a ruse to scare people into I mean, you know, using children to scare people into their way of thinking they've done



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they did a slant on this story actually saw on the mainstream news one of the local stations. I won't give you their name, because I wrote not sure but I think their initials were one one. And they had they made a special point in there to point out that even though the pool is enclosed, it's not going to be clothing optional, which was something I don't understand why they had to throw into a new segment of Adam. By this they've actually run the local news. About a week or so ago. I remember seeing that the



Roy 14:43

you know, just it's just part of the, you know, the scare tactics and hate mongering. Gay people do not go after children. We don't



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I mean, we don't unfortunately, that's it all you ever hear in the media is whenever you have a child molest Did they always make a short poll to show the person's mug shot, and they always say this person molested boys. But if they always, if you hear him say very softly, just children, it's probably the 95% of the child molesters who was a relative of the kid, and it was usually a heterosexual molestation Well, in



Roy 15:19

when you're talking about child molestation, it the actual reasoning for it is actually the same as rape. It's a power thing, it really a person who will sexually molest a child, a male child will equally a sexually molesting a female child. And it has nothing to do really with their gender. It has everything to do with power and dominance and control. Just like a when a person when a man rapes a woman, it has absolutely nothing to do with sex itself. It has to do violence, violence and power. You know, it's it's a whole different thing. Unfortunately, men do not molest children. We don't we're not interested in children.



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Unfortunately, a lot of the ministers that's all they can get Pat, they come up with this idea. They lie, they lie.



Roy 16:13

They know they're liars. They lie and they know that they are liars. And they go ahead and then they spread the slide anyway because it helps bring money into their church. Of course, bottom line is money for them.



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Why else would they pass the plate around so many times a day? You know, that's



Roy 16:29

right. Anyways, a Galveston man has been sent for an attack for attacking a gay man. Federal Judge Samuel Kent sentenced 24 year old Christopher Stefani of Galveston to a federal penitentiary. Now when you go to a Federal Penitentiary, you do the whole you do the whole nickel. There's no There's no parole. How long will this become a federal case on a charge of felon of a felon in possession of a firearm? Now this is what the Galveston Daily News is reporting. And Stephanie was accused of shooting the home of a gay man back in May of 98. A year ago, witnesses told police that Stephanie had accosted a group of gay men who were standing at 44th Street and Wall Street and Stephanie threatened one of the men and told them to leave the area. But when Stephanie slapped one of the men, the man responded by flattening Stephanie with a single punch. Stephanie went home and got a pistol and shot several times at the home with a man who had punched him. A day later, please work in a federal community. Policing grant spotted Stephanie in the palm terrace area and arrested him after they discovered he had a pistol. The gun proved to be the one used in the shooting. police charged Stephanie with deadly conduct and with being a felon in possession of a firearm, but dropped the charges so US attorneys could prosecute him on a federal weapons possession charge. So he goes to the federal penitentiary and does a whole nickel on that one. Which I think is kind of which I think is kind of groovy because when you go to a federal prison you have to do the whole time. You don't get early, really good time don't mean nothing. And you



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imagine what's gonna happen when he gets in there and tells his story. I went and shot up a house for gay man because he knocked me senseless. He's gonna be so popular in the pan. Okay,



Roy 18:20

well, the expanded hate crime bill has passed its first Vokes. The James Byrd Hate Crime Act, also known as House Bill 938 was overwhelmingly endorsed by dozens of speakers including Berges younger sister Lavon Harris and numerous civil religious and gay rights leaders, house judiciary, Judicial Affairs Committee voted to pass the bill into the full House by a margin of 62. So that's the first hurdle and, and that's a good sign. supporters of the bill included Texas district and County Attorney's Association, the Gray Panthers, Travis County District Attorney, Houston Mayor Lee Brown, the American Jewish Congress of Texas, the Austin Human Rights Commission and the Texas chapter of the National Organization of Women. He's Police Department, Lieutenant Mark Eisenman told the committee that the Police Department supports the bill, because it will help officers gather evidence more effectively. If you can identify the groups involved in it. It can help the investigation and it gives priority to the process. And so we're really happy to see that that that part of it has really you know, has already passed the Texas House Judicial Affairs Committee and is going on to the Senate



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and then eventually to the governor's desk whoever that will be at the time that is handed to



Roy 19:48

him. Okay, now moving right along we got the equality begins at home. We're going to forget about that folks. Again, I want to say that



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this is a major Then all 50 states in the nation are holding this event. On Saturday, Sunday and Monday, it's going to be on the 20th, the 21st and the 22nd. And



Roy 20:14

people are going to their state capitals, and demonstrating for equality. And Saturday, March 20, there will be a youth rally for non discrimination in education. And the rally will begin at 1pm at the south steps of the State Capitol, who's for non discrimination in their schools so that if a gay lesbian, bisexual, transgendered student gets accosted in school, then the principal of the school has to take some sort of proactive measures, unfortunately, protect the children. Yeah,



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I'm ranting. I met someone a couple of weeks ago as far as helping out at a HATCH meeting, giving a presentation on hate crimes. And I met one one young man who has been going through hell at his school. And unfortunately, the only remedy the principal's coming up with is planning on getting rid of the gay student, because it's causing a disturbance because he's there as too much as the punching bag for everyone else, instead of trying to set things right with Him. And hopefully, something like this, let this if this could go through. And possibly we can see some good coming out of it with education. And then later on with the rallies they're having for just general hate crimes bias.



Roy 21:28

Okay, now, on Sunday, March 21, there's going to be a huge rally up there in Austin. And the marches scheduled to step off from pot Palmer auditorium and go to the south Steps of the State Capitol, where there will be a rally. And that's going to be around. Oh, one ish in the afternoon, I believe. Then on Monday, the very next day for those of you who didn't stick around for the night, there they're going to be the lobby day the National Gay Lesbian taskforce will be holding their lobby day. And you'll be able to speak to state legislators to get these hate crime bills passed and get many other issues addressed.



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I remember you showing up to this. They, they see you not not just as a person, but they see you as several 100 people. Because you rep if you're taking the time to come there on a Monday and speak to them in person, they figure there's a lot more people who couldn't make it there who are wanting to have the same opinion of you, as you do. And it really does help.



Roy 22:38

Okay, now moving right along. Yes. And only right along. Good. jump right on in there. Yeah.



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Pat, and from Pat and Rosie's nice sounds called me at the beginning of the show. And said, there's this version of Danny boy that you've got to play. And he gave me the name of the group and I forgot the name of the group. I wished he would call me back and let me know if you're listening please call me back. Rosie. If



Roy 23:06

you're listening call back. Right. I



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know that Danny Boy they're talking about there. And the group is I don't listen to the show well enough there to know what sorry.



Roy 23:20

How well okay then gays are going to meet with the military people over the discharges in this Air Force Base in San Antonio. Officials with the service members Legal Defense Network, which is a gay servicemen's organization are traveling to Lackland Air Force Base, which is the largest training in the Air Force to investigate why the base has accounted for 65% of the entire Air Force is gay discharges last year, the Air Force discharged Florida and 14 servicemembers for being gay in 1998. That was up from 309 discharges the year before. Now, of those 1414 discharges. 271 of them were in Lackland that is 65%. And the service the service members Legal Defense Network wants to know why the numbers in Texas base are so high. Member of the organization see Dixon Osbourne says that they expect that they will be able to start developing relationships down there at Lackland. And what they don't excuse me what they don't expect that they will be able to make any substantive conclusions



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about tiny voice

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Roy 24:38

gases come into town gases come into town. Bad Mettler you can bet your bottom dollar that it will be a sold out thing.



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The Divine One is here. No.



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Bette Midler got her start, started off doing performances in gay bars and at Gay bathhouses and look at that in rainbow rainbow has got hit her ticket.



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And the funny thing you can see if you watch enough the VH one, they occasionally show the where they started or where are they now star? They show a an old I guess at that time we've been Film Video. That Mettler performing in a bathhouse with Barry Manilow playing piano behind her. That's been in the salsa. And so



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tickets were on sale Friday and and earlier today at Rich's that was the only place to get them. If you do not have your tickets, you ain't going your EA Lincoln. I heard it was kind of however, however, if you do not have your tickets, you can still get to see Bette Midler. Thursday, March 18, at 6pm borders, books and music and 104 krB are pleased to present none other than the Divine Miss Mittler superstar of stage and screen and she'll be citing her newest blockbuster CD, Bathhouse Betty. And you can meet this, you can meet her in person at borders, books and music. Now, they have a thing down here and saying please arrived four to five hours in advance. Oh my god, you know, and it would make a lot of sense to arrive that early to see Bette Midler.

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Roy 26:28


Because you know, it's going to be because people who have not been diligence to buy the ticket, they ain't going to get to see here.





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If you have the ticket, why do you have to get there four hours early, just so you know,

 **Roy 26:41**
Jimmy, you are not listening.


 **26:43**
You're right album signing she's signing


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the day before her.


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So if you did not get if you did not get a chance to buy your ticket, again it you're not going to get one. So go to the book, go to the CD signing at borders, music, books and music and that's at 9396 33 A Westheimer. That's West hammered Gessner out there in the southwest also, and that's the only time you go you only way you're going to get to see or if you do not have a ticket to riches city

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streets is having something from six to nine in the morning on Friday. Okay, sixth, sixth anniversary. krB. I think it is fooled. I

 **Roy 27:31**
mentioned. You

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already mentioned them they know Okay, letters, no Friday.

 **Roy 27:37**
No, the newest part of this is a Friday that Midler will be performing at Rich's in Houston at 8pm. And now

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the door is open at 8pm. She'll be performing at 11 at 11.

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Roy 27:49

Okay, doors open at eight performances at 11. And if you got the ticket, I would advise you to show up early so you can get a decent parking spot because, you know,



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I found out from I think one of the managers there that this is one of the six shows that she's doing nationally at bars and is the only one in Texas there's only one in Texas is gonna be at Rich's and the other one I know is in Miami. But the other ones I don't know whether in



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other entertainment news. The Gay Men's Chorus is going to be doing a show on the 28th I believe. Yes, yes, yes. March the 28th at 3pm at the Kaplan ze theater and march 27 at 8pm at the same place. Tickets are going on sale. However, we have two pairs of tickets that we're going to be giving away. Oh, and we're going to be giving them away right after the news. Great two callers, number one and two, one

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Roy 28:58

and two wanting to kind of give me a moment to get out there. Okay. Okay. Now I want to say that they're looking for volunteers are still needed for a clinical trial of an HIV vaccine to prevent HIV volunteers was between 18 to 60 years of age, gay or bisexual males were at at risk for acquiring HIV, females at risk for acquiring HIV, negative for HIV by HIV screening tests and willing to accept safe sex counseling. Also, the Texas Political Action Coalition of transgenders will be having a the 60s Psychedelic revolution happening Saturday at 7pm. Way out there on April 10. And it's going to be at Baylor and West you karate school. Wow. At the 6605 South rice Avenue in Bellaire, Texas that's between Bissonnette and Miller Boulevard at the Bella triangle,



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okay. So we'll be giving some information about that a little bid later Ted has a pretty poster. Yeah. Isn't that beautiful?

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Roy 30:04

Chris has got something about Q Patrol fundraiser. We are



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actually gonna be trying to raise the money.



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And somebody's willing to do it for you. Yes. We've



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got two little fundraising events coming up here tomorrow night. 8pm at the briar



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patch tomorrow night. Tomorrow. Gotcha.



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Bella Rourke. Yeah,



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dance fit. Fancy paste. Lawrence. I've



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knew the fancy and I thought it was pants I if you've never seen one of his shows, you're missing a lot. Yeah. It's



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incredible. He puts on a great fun show.



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Last time I saw him there. Jimmy got up on stage. So that's something to say. Jamie's



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got stage presence.



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Yeah, yeah. Well, that's all the news today ago



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at the Brier, okay. And next Saturday. During our Saturday evening patrol, come out and see us we're gonna have a table set up in front of Pacific Street. And we're having a joint patrol with the Texas cowgirls Ooh, that is going to be something strange to see we are going to be having, if you've never seen them, I haven't seen them before. I've heard a lot and it's gonna be interesting to see them on patrol. And if you want more information, give us a call at 713528 Safe at look on your phone and find all the numbers. And if you'd like to join us, patrol, give us a call at the same number. Okay, now stop hitting right. Okay.



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Okay. Well, that's it for this week of news and views. And, you know, just want to say hi to Randy down there and Beaumont. Tony up there and Midway and thank you, Chris, for coming in. And thank you for Rainbo And, Jimmy, good to see



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me at the March on Austin. Are you gonna be there? Yeah.



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I doubt it. March 21. March 21. That's next



Roy 31:58

Saturday, next Saturday,



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next Sunday?



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Next Sunday? Sorry? Yes. Okay. Thanks



Roy 32:03

starts next Saturday.



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Okay, thank you. Thank you very much. Okay.



Roy 32:08

Now, let me get out there and put you out



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there. Right. And I'm gonna be talking about that just right now. In that the Tony was here last week talking about the gay men scores. If Houston and they're doing a concert called I write the songs, and it's gonna be on Saturday, March the 27th at eight o'clock and Sunday, March the 28th, at three o'clock at the Kaplan Theatre of the Jewish Community Center, that's located at 5601 South Breezewood. Tickets are available by calling the box office tickets and have your credit card ready or through any chorus member? Or probably. Well, I'm not gonna say that because it doesn't say that I write the songs is a tribute to the great music of the past 200 years. They've got music brought by Franz Schubert, George Gershwin, Irish, Irving Berlin, Duke Ellington, Aaron Copland. Leonard, Leonard Bernstein. Yeah. alquileres well, they are, if you can visit their website@www.ge M C, H, Gay Men's Chorus, Houston, g mch.org. And when I start the next song, which is not by the Gay Men's Chorus of Houston, you can give us a call at 713-526-5738. And first two callers will get a pair of tickets to the this performance. And the song is coming up just like right away. It's by no, we played Esposito with high elo Jeff crasner, who was in the Grammy Awards last year. And this is the song and this was his song. He also did son of a preacher man, which is a great version, but this is another wonderful song by Jeff crasner. How long do I have to be strong? You're listening to it on Africa hours, Queer radio with attitude on KPFT Houston and ke o s College Station. We'll be right back



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Oh, Jeff Krasner. Isn't that nice stuff. Very nice. Nice stuff. We got some by request Imperial drag coming up late, just a little later on. But right now let's get back to all this good talk and stuff we were doing Yes,



Vanessa Edwards Foster 35:00

all our girls are bad. Yeah. Brandi, Marty, and Devon. And we have crossing over there she, she's in the she's in the corner. Oh, hey, we heard Yeah. Girl. She knows how to project.



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She is on the floor



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anyway, how



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are we going? Oh, I don't know, anywhere you you can get into trouble real No kidding.



Vanessa Edwards Foster 35:42

Anyway, I do want to mention one thing we didn't touch on. During the last segment, we announced this at the Unity banquet, which is the formation of tea packed. The first ever transgendered Political Action Coalition, ah, this is something we've really kind of lagged behind the other groups, especially the gay and lesbian community. And I think a lot of people have, from the outside kind of wondered, whoa, you know, how come we don't have the kind of progress that a lot of the others have made. And a lot of that is because of the fact that we haven't been organized and haven't done the things that we needed to, to get to these next levels. And a big portion of this is actually contributing to the political campaigns. Now, this is a way of facilitating our speaking directly to our elected representatives. And as opposed to just speaking with a legislative aide. And we announced that tonight in fact, we even got our initial donations from both GCTC and tap. Wow. So



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this is like newly formed, yes.



Vanessa Edwards Foster 36:49

In fact, it was just announced officially tonight. And we in fact, are going to have a fundraiser, which big Roy alluded to the 60s Psychedelic revolution happening. Yes, yes. And in fact, the three of us that organize this thing are sitting here in this room, deserting Jessica are there too.



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So what's the fundraiser about?



Vanessa Edwards Foster 37:15

This is the first well, actually the second in a series of events going on this year, throughout the year, and it's a theme party type of banter. We had a 50 sock hop in January. Oh,



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that must have been fun. Oh, yes.



Vanessa Edwards Foster 37:31

Terrific. Had a great time. And we decided, well, why not? Let's just go ahead and continue this throughout the year. And since we're on the precipice of the new millennium, let's go ahead and relive all of the decades over the last half of the 1900s. Starting with the 50s. We'd get the 60s coming up and then later we'll do the 70s and then the 80s. And then I guess the last one will be the 90s we'll just be ourselves Do



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you know that I've got like bell bottoms and flowered shirt and a leather fringe will expect you there that I wore in the 60s. Well then



Vanessa Edwards Foster 38:12

you took very good care of your clothes. It was a little harder on mine. Well, then you're invited. I



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got the outfit.



Vanessa Edwards Foster 38:26

We do want to announce to the transgendered community that we want to invite everyone in fact, not just a transgendered community. This is open to the community. Sure, everyone, we want everyone to attend