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Sarah DePalma, Jimmy Carper



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This is state representative Glenn Maxie and you're listening to after hours. I'm KPFT Houston. 90.1 FM.



J Jimmy Carper 00:10

And you certainly are.



S Sarah DePalma 00:12

You know, I was just thinking, I think I think Jane county ran out of lyrics there at the end. How many times can we say Texas Chainsaw manicures in one song?



J Jimmy Carper 00:21

Oh, it's loud guitar punk music. I mean, yeah.



S Sarah DePalma 00:25

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J Jimmy Carper 00:28

You're dancing. You're doing the mosh pit thing, you know?

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 Sarah DePalma 00:30

Yeah, that's true. I do.

 Jimmy Carper 00:32

We have some tickets to give away? Yes, we do. Big Roy has provided me as a matter of fact, it's two tickets to the make us one. A musical celebration for Houston pride we presented by the Metropolitan Community Church of the resurrection. Now this is happening Sunday, June the 22nd 11am.

 Sarah DePalma 00:54

Means we have to get out of bed. You can't be hung over for this at the Houston Music

 Jimmy Carper 00:59

Hall. Yeah, in town. And we will give them to the first caller 25265738, who answers the following question,

 Sarah DePalma 01:14

you need to be able to tell us what station was the first in the nation to have an openly transgendered radio host.

 Jimmy Carper 01:19

And that number is 526573852 6k PF T. Okay,

 Sarah DePalma 01:27

while we're waiting to give those tickets away, I want to talk about the interview we're gonna go to next. Now, this point, this woman's name is Sharon Boyd. And we have discussed Sharon Boyd on the show a little bit once before, but she has a very, very compelling story. And this is one of those things where you have to keep in mind here that yes, indeed, we're talking about a divorce. And so there probably is, I think it's safe to assume there are going to be two sides to the story and we're only hearing one part of it. Having said that, the part that concerns me is that the right wing decides pouring 10s of 1000s of dollars against her strictly on the basis that she's transsexual. That's a problem. Yes. And so with that, we go to an interview with Sharon Boyd.

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Maybe you're listening to ours and heard us tell the story of healing boys in regular listeners to this program and heard me talk about the right wing injuries or the right wings. We've had Diane six taller ones so where was that Phil was fine. Was had said Boardman Mackenzie and God knows how many other people talking about these issues. Tonight want to bring a real life story to us. With me on the phone right now is filling voids very after all our technical problems they're welcome Gasser Thank you. The listeners, you'll know that this is like our third sciences because you certainly have suspended yourselves on the hello folks marathon compliance in case players. Okay, here it let's start off by talking about the military background because most people don't realize the transients people had a life before the transitions.



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Yes, I, another Air Force Academy graduates are in the news. I graduated from the academy in 1980, which was the first class with women. So my my background is kind of saved. From that standpoint, that works out very well for me. My first five years was in the Air Force and placement officer working in Missouri where I had just said clearly, what is it appeared to be the misfortune of meeting my first wife. I was a missile launch officer responsible for up to 50 nuclear weapons, and eventually got out of the Air Force transitioning over to the Army. After having achieved the rank of captain and position of flight commander. In the army, I worked a number of posts in the military intelligence career field, and recently got out of the reserves, which is another story because I was illegally taken out of the reserves at the rank of Major.



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Okay, now, so you meet her in the military. And as I read your story, apparently you knew from the start in the US Well, we're fairly religious and unknown isn't a good thing. Believers in this unit says naturalism.



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Yes. And it was something I've wrestled with my entire life from almost my earliest recollections, which most of us do. I, however, had been afraid because of my religious upbringing and my family's rupture, to even really explore what this all meant, and because of that, I just tried to cope with it as best I could. I thought it was something that I could take to my grave as my secrets and just handle as my cross to bear in life. I however, did tell my future wife at that time, everything that I knew to the best of what I knew it previous to the marriage, she decided to marry me anyway. I have gotten some rather bad advice from Christian counselors, which is kind of a trend in Christian counseling to give bad advice



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to Christian counselors.



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It's a common it's an oxymoron. But they had told left me the impression that, you know,

marriage would heal me up this. And so I didn't marry to get to healing, but I had every anticipation that would be true. And shortly into the marriage, I realized that that was not true. And it had to do with it as best I could begin went through a long period of denial until about 1991. I think it was, when it just was something that I just cannot deny, and I had to get counseling for.



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Okay. Now, at some point, you decided to go ahead and tell her that what was going on and she had to transition in and what was her reaction to this?



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Well, I heard this reaction was that she was glad that I told her, but he thought that there was something that he could save me from or that the church could save for me, or you have a lot of problems about separating out, you know, her from the church here. It seems to be one in the same in her mind. And he went to a lot of different counselors who were all had the commonality that they knew nothing about transsexualism. So it's kind of like, you know, if you have a heart problem, going to a proctologist to find out what your heart I'm curious about that. And these people, I had this analogy that, you know, one person told me, I was this way, because I had this fantasy life of being a female that was going to take all of my problems away. So that was me. One person told me God was doing this as a test of my worthiness for eternal life, which is not a Christian concept, rather interesting sort of words. Yes. I never said no, it's the devil, the devil is doing it to your being plagued by demons. Another person said it was my mother, because he was too strong of figures that it didn't separate from. Another person said it was my father, because I didn't identify with him. And then another person said, and this is what most people probably hear it was tested in the last year somewhere back in my past. So you know, I had it was, it was me, it was God, it was to dabble with my mother, it was my father. It was test her. And you know, this all started and none of these people knew what the heck you were talking about. And it sounds like to me, the person, the the five blind men and the elephant and they come on, say, you know, I think an elephant is like a rope, or a tree or a wall or like a leaf during different parts of the body. But it's an elephant. It's not each one of these things. They didn't know what they were talking about.



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Okay, now you're going into the process, starting with divorce court. And from what I read, it was been pretty clear from the start to hear your soon to be ex wife had no intention cooperating with anything.



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I believe that she lied on the stand. Here was the question, the big question that was asked, and, and these are in the finding of the court, which I really kind of talked with the court system, from the standpoint that the machinery for collecting child support is your 10 Minute slave is there in place, that there's no machinery for ensuring visitation and custody rights?

When the other side, just, you know, just on the standby without it and there's a finding in the body of the decree that says it basically it's doubtful that she's going to do this? I mean, they knew from the beginning, I guess they won't enforce their decrees, because they're afraid of the way that the fundamentalist have organized against them. They're in St. Charles County, Missouri.

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Okay, now I read this, I read these three between scripts. And in essence, the judge said basically beat us about everything that he didn't ask for you. We asked for joint custody, you got that? There were some stipulations. But generally, it looked like it was a pretty favorable ruling. If

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you do that. Yes, with the exception, I would say of the one year delay, which has been subsequently interpreted as a restriction, which is a rather nefarious implications for all queer parents. And we could probably talk about that later. But overall, yes, it was a very fair degree. And I wasn't asking for, you know, sole custody or sole legal custody. I was wanting to do the right thing for my kids to with my ex, come together and collaborate to their welfare. And that's all I've ever been interested in doing. Right? They've turned this thing into, you know, one of the major battles of their culture war, and it really turned into a crusade and the children are debates, as they always are. Okay, now,

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what happened after the court ruling, the court ruling basically says okay, you have joint custody as I understand it, and enter there's a one year period that involves before you can tell the kids and there's some counseling, but in essence, you know, you're gonna deal with these kids and Okay, so what happened yesterday? Well, I

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got my ex had unlisted phone numbers, and was pretty much refusing to coordinate with me for probably four or five months preceding the even hearing in January on through When did the free was finally issued in June took a long time to make up their mind here. And I never got I was supposed to get immediate phone contact with my kids at all times, but not less than Wednesdays and Sunday, between the Hours 60 Days, I still have not had the first phone contact with them. I did not receive the unlisted phone number to my children's residence until four months after the decree when I finally browbeat my dad attorney and filing for contempt that to me that to be an automatic because the first thing that my ex did was went and unsealed all of the court records in the St. Louis Post Dispatch. And the court didn't do anything about that. It's just the vendor field to protect the children's privacy. And he went and just slapped everything gave psychiatric evaluations, you know, court testimony, court documents, and the court did nothing. They have been thoroughly intimidated by far right extremists in that county.



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Okay. Now then there's the when I heard that stories, my impression was he gets put up to which by somebody had the right wing already begun to come in with focus on family and games afternoon. So they already done to come in and give her advice. Oh, is this a decision she decided to do on her own? Let's go.



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I believe at that time, we had the backing of the Alliance Defense Fund, which is a money fund or backing cases of this nature and prolonging them and trying to actually you know, they will be very upfront and say try to intimidate their opposition by outstanding now, we're off. And it Yes, it does work. And they have been working with her. It's very difficult for me to answer that question. I do a lot of malice in the heart of TNF sales, let me tell you, and to distribute unit samples during my one year realized test, he called up and threatened my pastor of the church that I was attending to selling around the worst lawsuits. Like Don't you realize you could be sued my endocrinologist and the counselor that I was seeing, he tried to get his licensing revoked in not just one state, but the state of Virginia, Maryland and DC, as which is where I live presently. And she turned him into a local pescetarian. So this is a person that is off automation. And unfortunately, the particularly vengeful breed of Christianity that he espouses, rewards this kind of stuff as being a virtue rather than a thing that really hurts people and prolongs suffering.



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Okay, I want to take a second now and explain a few things to the audience for going to the next page here. If you're a regular listener towards there, you may remember that we had Johnny and second Telo on here, and he was talking about what happened in Colorado. And he talked to us a bit on that show about the number of right wing organizations that are within the Colorado Springs, Colorado areas. You may recall she said that she has counted 40 with his audience, right when placing organizations within a 10 mile radius of where he lives. But all of those, the one that was the greatest threat, she thought was focused on the family. And he spent some time talking about how well how well funded they are coming to radio stations. They're on the amount of power and clout they have, and most importantly, how much money they should raise. Now having said that, let's relate all of that as to what we're going to hear next. Okay, so hear it now what now? Are we filed for the field as soon as you XYZ? Yes,



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well, we both kind of did, that there was one provision that did not make a lot of sense, in the decree from my standpoint, and that when I had temporary custody of the children, it was stipulated that I could not cohabit with another transsexual, nor sleep with another woman, which is ridiculous, because owing to the fact that state of Florida will not change my birth certificate, the only person I can legally marry is a female, and have the court on essence is telling you that I can't sleep with my legal spouse when I have temporary custody of these kids. So we appealed on that fact. And of course, they didn't want me to have any contact at all. So

they not only appeal, but they'd have to get the court orders vacated status, modified, depose what's called a bond is super tedious with the appellate court which is attempting to stay the provision. The court in 100% of these things, denied their motions. But nonetheless, I still have not talked the first time to my guests. And it's largely because of the organization organizing abilities of the fundamental experiencing calls and the intervention of the Lawrence spent funds really violated a lot of their charter. I have really studied these people. I used to be an intelligence analyst and I'd analyze the heck out of these people. And they normally work through pro bono attorneys. And then they pay somebody incidental court costs like depositions and experts and things like that. Now, in this case, they have deviated from that because they're actually paying for a attorney who's not one of them, not a Christian, they happen to get one of the nastiest divorce attorneys in the St. Louis area, who commands an hourly rate of well over \$250 an hour when I've heard, and just at the primary court level, they have spent over \$1,000 On this case, I imagine, given this high court fees and the fact that three attorneys and everything, I'm sure they spent 10s of 1000s of their contributors money, because they were really stunned by the fact that they've lost at that trial court level. Okay, so now they're losing trial court level, and they file an appeal, ended up with a with a judge who the who's essentially sympathetic to them. And that runs over the three judge panel, one of the judges was sympathetic to me, Well, I'm gonna say was sympathetic to the law. Because the law was done in that decree, it was a case of first impression, but nowhere in Missouri law and I've researched the heck out of that to this and say that just because you're transsexual parents, mean, you can't see your kids again, it never it doesn't say that it says In fact, this public stated policy of the state of Missouri is to ensure frequent and meaningful contact with both parents. And there's no ifs, ands, or buts about that. Now, it does talk about restrictions on visitation. But in the case law that has only been interpreted for parents who have tried to kidnap their kids and take them to a different jurisdictions who were convicted of domestic violence, sexual abuse, or were drug or alcohol abusers. So now they have opened up a new category, all you have to do is be clear. And the other side, if they claim that you are an endangering this to your kids, you don't have to specify too much with that name, then the judge can delay your contact with your kids for at least a year. And then you have to prove that you have somehow been rehabilitated or no longer a threat to your kids, before you can have any contact with them. It's just an outrageous travesty of their law.



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It really is unbelievable. Okay. Now, where do you think you're going into the court? And the court? I think we sift through everything we want, right?



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Well, actually, no, it was, it was kind of the worst of all possible things. In some ways. It may have been kinder if they had done that, and kind of perverse way, because now they rehab held some issues like my phone contact with the kid, but I wish I had not yet had. And I really don't have anything a meaningful phone number to the residence, because that's an answering machine probably stuffed in a drawer with the ringer off. And I never get my calls returned. And it's been four years since I've talked to my kids, for years, oh, my God. And today, the other side has decided to tell them from their own little perverted slant, what's been going on with me. And even shown pictures, my oldest son is on Prozac. He's all 10 years old is on Prozac for the second time in four years. Effects demonstrable directly related to this case, the first time

was because Nick, and I didn't find out until after his back. So they drugged him out with Prozac. And I don't want to talk bad about Prozac, except in this case, they were basically using it to drug him. So that wouldn't try. I couldn't have contact with them. I mean, the easiest thing would be put the boy on the phone and let him talk to his dad. But he didn't want to do that they would rather conduct some experimental therapy, which has not been okay by X ray. And he was on it for a year then. And he's on it again. Now, because the custodial parents Dennett was engaged to somebody not spending enough time with him as it was related to me. So anyway, I don't even have any mobile phone number to their house anymore. I still yet to have that first phone contact. And my phone calls not being turned down. I'm not sure my letters are getting through. I lost joint legal custody, which is a travesty. They said, well, there wasn't any evidence that these two people having worked together, which I could have given him about seven areas where we had things like on their medical care, their religious upbringing, we record their summer activities we had coordinated and worked fine, as long as Janet scales thought that she was going to be accountable to a court of law at the moment where she decided she wasn't he just slammed down with her. Did she please stop returning phone calls or stop writing? They were remaining the issue of visitation that this is a tragedy because it's going to be a delay. And it's probably going to cost 10s of 1000s of dollars for both parties. Because you're talking guardians, guardian ad litem, and for the children being appointed. You're talking about More psychiatric evaluations of all parties more in court costs, more depositions. This is a tragedy.



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Well, when I heard your story, wherever the attorney was present me, I was really kind of struck by at all, given a number of child custody cases in Texas where trans transgender people have been involved. In many of the cases, the transgendered people are winning. But where they lose, they seem to lose. Really big if they used to be in an either or situation. Either you able to win all just about everything if you want, or the courts come down with rulings that are so impossibly horrible. You have to wonder, what confused education did you ever have to do something stupid?



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I don't believe it's a question of education. I believe it's a question of politics. In the case of my case, and I believe, I don't know these other cases, but having reviewed a number of counts, and and even in Missouri, I have some contacts there, they've gotten very favorable out of court settlements, given them substantially, I think it all comes down to the custodial parents. If they happen to be a religious pigheaded fanatic, like my act and have to be connected and happened to be connected with the evil fundamentalist, then it's likely that this will be turned into a crusade issue. In my case, the judge issues that decree that was favorable to me, they took revenge on him. And he was elected in the next election, he lost his \$91,000 a year job. And now in St. Charles County, I have significant evidence because there is an actual conspiracy of the elected judges there to never hear this case. My attorney has talked to these judges, they meet on a monthly basis, they have discussed my case, and none of them want to touch it. So I'm unlikely to ever be able to recover court costs or even talk to my kids, probably, because they don't have the moral integrity to hear this case, which is actually a vote in favor that I've been screwed with. Because if they could spank me legally, they know they'd be heroes of the community. And they would have no trouble doing that. But they know that dance

chaos has gotten away with breaking the law bragging about it, the papers, and they don't have the moral integrity, to hold her accountable because they are afraid they'll be unelected like Bill Alomar was



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no where do you go with it from here? Were there any legal recourse? Or are you just basically done and over in your out?



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It's we we still have to read and issues to hear this has caused enormous strain in my present relationship. And that relationship to me is more important in my kids, my kids are their own people, one day, they will be adults, I have done nearly all that I can do. And I cannot I'm not willing to bankrupt myself or what may ultimately be a losing cause anyway, we still have that remand issue to hear, supposedly to contempt if he's going to be heard alongside with it, I'm not optimistic. And we're attempting to steer it before an unelected judge in a neighboring county that will, you know, not be held hostage to the far right religious ties. And you know, maybe we'll have a chance of they'll really see that, you know, the children's best interest is to have some kind of contact with me. And I'm the kind of person you know, today's Tuesday, you're trying to ram this down their throats to impose my immoral lifestyle, whatever that means. On my children, you know, all I'm asking is to have contact with them. And I think that there's nothing that I can't do other than take them into the ministry. And quite frankly, that I did before I listened to the testimony of one of the counselors that evaluate like, my kids, it's like, what did you like to do with your dad? Well, I like to go into the woods and we go after frogs and things like that, hey, I can do that. Now. You know, that doesn't wreck my femininity or who I am now. And I'm a very attractive person. No, people are not going to point at me as we go down the street. These kids are not going to be embarrassed. It's just the religious right knows that if they can't win against an Air Force patting graduate who has a master's in business administration, who the smart moral person, they know that they can't win against them, they can't win against anybody. And so that's why they're pushing this full tilt.



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Well, there's some sense here, just getting ballpark figures. What do you suppose all this is costing monetarily to this point?



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I would say it's probably around the \$40,000 mark 40,000 30,000 At this point, and probably I can expect another 10 to 12. Okay, so



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always one person who's in the middle of the transition process and is trying to cope with all
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right.

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Well, I had I had that as my transition to surgery and all that, but it's just it's It's outrageous that you know, the far right can just dump enormous amounts of money into this case, I have to pay my \$545 in child support per minute. But I'm getting absolutely nothing out of it. You don't get to see your kids don't even go up to them on the phone, you have no phone contact with them, no written contact, you're on your court order to continue to pay in custody. And they'd have my wages garnished in a heartbeat. If I said, I'm not doing that. I mean, I want to take care of my kids, but I also don't want to pay opposing counsel fees and subsidize my children's brain loss.

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Well, I really wanted to bring your story on this month, our service our air is very close to Fabi. And I myself, although I am three years into the process, now I still consider myself a dad. And I also know and Emeka, my daughter, I have not spoken to my daughter in several years, I do not know where he is, he has essentially decided to disown me. And it's no I certainly empathize with your story. And I And again, to the listeners, I know you really must have tired of hearing me and so OSI and D McKellar. And in Ricky Wilkins, and all the other people that were had on this show, come on and talk to you about the dangers of what is going on and say, You cannot hide from this. Even if you cannot come out of your closet, you can send checks to TransUnion organizations that are interested in fighting this. He told me he was planning to do a law conference specifically aimed winning transgendered cases.

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It works in that focus on the family does have an annual attorneys conference where they talk about, you know, the same sex marriage issues and the head of the Alliance Defense Fund as a keynote address, and he wanted the two sponsors start with Christian legal society, which is one of Pat Robertson's legal organizations. The bad thing is this June, this next month, during Father's Day, how about that they're starting what they call a National Litigation Academy. And they're about purpose of this academy is not to go after the right of children to pray in schools or things like that. But to have an impact in these so called Family definition cases, they're going to train about 200 attorneys per year. They they want to be able to go in and essentially take queer people's kids away from them. That's it this on the basis that they queerness regardless of whether or not they're qualified parents. I mean, the other parents could be the narcotic abusing child molester, but that's okay. You know, that case in Florida, where the axe murderer got custody preferential to a lesbian mother? Yes, this is kind of what they're going after 200 attorneys per year, that's their aim, they're going to train people. And I just want to say to all the Gay, Lesbian and buying listeners out there, don't think they're not coming after you. I, unfortunately, have got a very loud and rousing snore from all of the gay legal groups with the exception of the lesbian. What's their name out there in California? And that's probably because the one person that I've been dealing with out there is also transgendered. Yes, yeah. NCLR that's the only group everyone else has basically treated me as if I'm not queer enough. And it's galling for me to read, and the Washington blade about how the ACLU gay and lesbian rights project, how lamda is intervening or some of these other cases, and I'm sorry, but they're

not just as they're not as egregious as this one is. I haven't even talked to my kids. I got the law on my side. My point is, religions, right is gearing up to wage a war against us. And I think we all should take this seriously. And we should all come together. And don't let them go after just a transparent because you think that's not going to affect you. Because in my case, the case law is, I don't care what your orientation is, if they can claim and somehow pleased, where there's an elected judge, that you're an endangerment to your kids, you can kiss off seeing them again, you can kiss off seeing them again, the burden is gonna be on you. And guess how far you're gonna get with that and seeing your kids are not just talking custody. I'm talking visitation I'm talking, being able to talk to them all the time.



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Well, it's interesting that you would say that because we have spent hours and hours and hours on talking about the place of transgenders in the queer community. We start off with programs talking about just as the radio Pro which radio program with attitude for the queer communities, and we have spent dinos so much time talking about the queer is inclusive, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex. Yeah, and even straight in some cases. Yes. Powerful words. I'm really glad to hear you say this to them to the listeners attorney here in meatspace.



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Well, somebody over here involved in a court case in Missouri, and who lives in Maryland, which is pretty far away from Houston, Texas, is echoing exactly what you're saying this is a national problem.



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Well, there we go. Sharon, thank you very much. It's been a very compelling interview, I just went a lot longer than I normally allow, but this one was so good and said, I'm just gonna let this roll. Thank you very much.



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Thank you very much, Sara. jumped away.



Jimmy Carper 30:35

Okay.



Sarah DePalma 30:37

The real danger of Sharon Boyd's case, is the fact that the right wing can target people, they've got the resource, second, spin unlimited amounts of money. They can spend it on getting

churches kicked out, if they want to, they can afford to run all sorts of campaigns against them in order to eliminate them. In you know, we we've had several guests on the show now who have talked about what the fundamentalists are doing and the dangers of what they do. Now, here's a here's a hardcore example of she and Sharon boys case. I don't know exactly what the facts of the divorce are. I do know that she won partial custody. The first time. I do know, the right wing poured in a ton of money and she doesn't have partial custody now. Yes. And I can tell you this. What she said was really true. If we don't start getting our act together, and prove and prevent the right wing from just having free reign, there will be no stopping them. And like Jimmy and I were talking about off the air. Where will you be when they come for you? Where will

 Jimmy Carper 31:48

you be when they come to the famous words of Pat Parker? Yep. Lesbian poet.

 Sarah DePalma 31:53

Where will you be? Yeah, well, okay, so what have you got here? We've

 Jimmy Carper 31:56

got a lot of things actually. And number one on the list. Got a call from Rainbow de clown. And he's gonna be on TV next week. Saturday night, next Saturday night 630 to 730 channel 13 is a program called 10. Tennis a show about the 10 things that are happening in Houston and rainbow is one of the 10 next week.

 Sarah DePalma 32:21

What is Rainbow doing that he gets on television.

 Jimmy Carper 32:25

Rainbow things. Okay, no, not enough said. It's probably the flamingos by the yard thing that he does. Okay. You know how you wake up one morning you look out your front yard and there's 100 plastic flamingos Yeah. Happy birthday. No, he took can have a tacky yard and rainbows the one that goes out there at three in the morning and sticks them all in your yard. Oh good. He has wonderful stories about his run ins with police when he's trying to do this at three in the morning in some quiet neighborhood.

 Sarah DePalma 32:59

I you know I can see where HPD might not have a sense of humor about it. And when you wake up and find all those pink those pink flamingos in the yard you might not find

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Jimmy Carper 33:09

a couple other things going on Pride stuff. Oh, there's all kinds of stuff

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Sarah DePalma 33:14

go he told the audience that you're that you're one of the grand marshals do they know? Okay, just just make

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Jimmy Carper 33:18

sure I am the male Grand Marshal and I'm very excited. Still getting everything all together for the parade which is two weeks from Saturday this Saturday. Tonight,

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Sarah DePalma 33:30

and transgenders will have a contingent again this year

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Jimmy Carper 33:34

was happy to hear that. That's That's June 28 Nine o'clock at night with its gonna start on Westheimer right in front of the potpie restaurant and go straight down Westheimer to Stanford. That says the same route we had last year very similar except that it's a lot shorter because the city only allows a night parade to be less than one mile. Oh, I didn't know that. City ordinance I don't

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Sarah DePalma 34:03

know when it's probably some insurance thing anyway. Okay,

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Jimmy Carper 34:06

be there and there are be queer next Saturday night. June 21 is the pride gala benefiting Alves it's the Caribbean Queen at the Edwin Hornberger conference center 2151 West Holcomb music and all of that kind of stuff. This is this is the big deal this is this is the fancy one you know like 30 bucks for a ticket but I mean this is high drag and all of that good stuff. 30 bucks is pretty steep. That's pretty steep. But this this is the the event the event remember the Hispanics you need this used to be on the big dollar. This is replacing it. Oh, Caribbean queen, Edwin Hornberger. And

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Sarah DePalma 34:53

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doesn't sound like a Caribbean name at all. For Hornberger. Oh, well.

J Jimmy Carper 34:57

It's the old Shamrock. Oh, okay. Oh, Aren't you know where the Shamrock used to be? It's their conference center. Okay. There's a lot of gay things that happen there. Surprisingly. Chris, our leadership circle member, right? wanted everyone to know that, you know, with the with the less gay and lesbian film festival that's been going on. And this is gonna happen. Boy's Life too, which is like the big film that everybody wanted to see. Okay, all the guys wanted to see was only showing one night. But and it totally sold out there lots of people leftover. Lots of grumbling and all of that, but boy's life too, will be at the Greenway starting next week. So look for that in your local paper.

S Sarah DePalma 35:48

Boy's Life too. Was that about?

J Jimmy Carper 35:50

It's a it's three, or fours? I think three shorts, short 20 minute movies about coming of age for gay man. Okay,

S Sarah DePalma 36:02

sounds interesting.

J Jimmy Carper 36:03

The boy's life, the original one boy's life was pretty famous. Now. Okay, that on video right now. And so and this one has been in the reviews that it's even better than the first one. And I have a quick rant. What would you say to a state that decided all at once to kill 440? People

S Sarah DePalma 36:32

say what was this the Nazi era?

J Jimmy Carper 36:35

That is exactly what Mississippi is doing? Why? Yes. It seems as though they're cutting back on protease inhibitors for AIDS patients and what grounds money. They don't have money. Right now they have 660. Patients on protease inhibitors, which as we all know, keeps people alive. They're cutting it to 220. So effectively, the state of Mississippi is saying 440 People are going to die.

 Sarah DePalma 37:14

Hockey. Is this legal?

 Jimmy Carper 37:17

Yes, it is legal. That's the problem.

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I'm stung.

 Jimmy Carper 37:23

Aren't you sound?

 Sarah DePalma 37:24

Yeah, I really am. How can I not understand how they can get away with that?

 Jimmy Carper 37:29

They're just saying they don't have the money. It's not in the budget.

 Sarah DePalma 37:34

So what are these people supposed to do is just roll over and die.

 Jimmy Carper 37:36

That's exactly right. It's really hard place to be because to get on any other other state. Like to come to Texas, to get the AIDS drug program here, you have to be a resident, which means you have to have lived here. I forget if it's six months or a year before you can get on the program.

 Sarah DePalma 38:01

So these people can't just run to states that

J Jimmy Carper 38:05

once you start taking protease inhibitors, once you stop, that's the death sentence. Because if you stop for any length of time and go back to them, they're not effective. Once you're on them, you have

S Sarah DePalma 38:15

to continue. Is there any chance like the federal government's gonna step in and I hope somebody's gonna do it? I hope somebody I mean, I don't see how you can just say, Well, look, you people can die because we're out of money. Well, that's

J Jimmy Carper 38:25

what they're doing.

S Sarah DePalma 38:28

Wow. Okay, well, you know, I'm not real surprised. It's Mississippi, but I'm, I'm shocked that they can just get away with it. I know. Well, I learned something new all the time. I think

J Jimmy Carper 38:41

Michelle wanted to get that number out. One more time.

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One more time for the transgendered law of employment conference call 7778452 That's asador S T G L shape. And if any of you want to come out and our mind on you are now okay. For the for the transgendered law and appointment policy conference call 7778452 That's s r s. T G LLC. And if any of any of you want to come out and join us on Q patrol, call 528 S A F E safe. That's 5287233 Thank you, Jamie.

J Jimmy Carper 39:25

You're welcome. But I wanted to tell people who are not transgendered, that when you say that phone number SRS, many people might not know what SRS stands for,

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oh, sex reassignment surgery. Or as I prefer to

 Sarah DePalma 39:41

call it gender confirmation surgery. There you go. Well, we're coming up to it.

 Jimmy Carper 39:47

We are. In one minute, we'll be going to the news followed by the return of the sons of musical chairs with Billy Gilbert and Elmo and Randy.

 Sarah DePalma 39:58

Remember our motto when decor room becomes repression. The only dignity free people have is to speak out.

 Jimmy Carper 40:06

You've been listening to after hours queer radio with attitude on KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station however if we all say goodbye no Danielle still here.

 Sarah DePalma 40:18

Good night. That's enough for me. I'll see you next time.

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In time, BBC well surface the news with John Shea. The Supreme Court in Israel has up