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and of the opinions of the organizations they were representing. And I think only two or three actually responded in favor of the name testing.



Michelle Meyers 00:12

What was the major objection to HIV names?



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The major objection was the fear that it would cause, not necessarily. Not necessarily within the gay community, but outside the gay community and somewhat within the gay community. The major fear that most people have when they go to get an HIV test is that their name will be included. When you go to a community clinic, or an organization that is offering tests to the community not affiliated with your own general practitioner. You don't have to worry about your names being given, or your insurance company finding out that's the benefit of anonymous testing. What they're worried about is that the option of name testing will incite more fear than really it should, because it will, if it goes through, it will be just an option.



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So wouldn't that when that in turn, cause more people to decide not to get?



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It would that's the major fear. There was the representative of AIDS Foundation, Houston project, Cesar Phillip Norton got up and said he does a lot of work with people on the streets. kids in the schools project, Cesar is aimed to gay males, I think up to the age of 25. And he said

that it's difficult enough just to get gay males up to the age of 25. To get tested. There are plenty of community organizations who also signed a list that was given to a person speaking on behalf of the Houston Department of Health and Human Services who went in turn read the list, she read the list for maybe a minute or two before the Texas Department of Health requested that she you know, since it was a printed list that she just leave the list on the table for them to look through later. Among the groups who publicly announced opposition to the name testing option were body positive Houston, AIDS Foundation, Houston, the Houston Buyers Club, Montrose Community Center at the Montrose clinic, the list kept going on and on and on every major organization dealing with the AIDS community that I knew the names of I heard

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Michelle Meyers 02:33

f1 f1 not tested, then we don't know how to behave.

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And the major response was the major response against it composed of two elements that A, it would create more fear than good. And B, even if it didn't create more fear, most people don't want their names affiliated with their HIV tests. So they would still opt for the anonymous or confidential test, therefore that the option would be a complete waste of money.

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Michelle Meyers 03:01

Well, thank you very, very much for giving us feedback on this very important issue. If you haven't had a chance to express your opinion, I'm sure you can still write to either the Department of Health or to your local representatives, letting them know what your feelings are, what your opinion is. Can

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Sarah DePalma 03:26

I ask a question? Yes. Okay. The unknown mayor, we're not aware of this. The Gay Men's collective in New York has actually endorsed making age records open. And I was kind of curious, because I know that at least around here that you can get general consensus seems to be don't make as records open. But if you've got a group like gay men's collective in New York saying, Well, yes, it is time, isn't that make life a lot tougher?

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Well, it's also a consideration of where we live. as liberal as metropolitan Texas likes to think that maybe our state is essentially Texas is still sort of backwoods America, Texas is as a whole, I think, still fairly conservative in comparison. One of the people who got up and spoke also addressed another issue that is really specific to the southern US states, in dealing with illegal immigrants. And, you know, people who are still trying to establish citizenship. He deals

mainly in East downtown, which is primarily Hispanic. And he said a lot of his patients may use different social security numbers. Each time they would go to get tested. You know, he says, and, you know, so it's,

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Sarah DePalma 04:46

so it's a different issue here altogether. Well, yeah,



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we're still fairly conservative and we have a lot more issues to look at than just the system. statistics of the matter.



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What I also feel this though, I also personally feel this way that if it ain't broke, don't fix it. Well, you know, we have been through education, we have been very successful in the community in really drastically reducing the number of HIV and AIDS in the age group 25, to about 40. Unfortunately, the age group of teenager to 25, and then those over 40 and up are the two groups who have not been targeted for different reasons. those age groups are skyrocketing in HIV positive in seroconversion, the younger group that way because they will not allow us to teach safer sex in our schools in our high schools. Well, I don't know. I think we know we all know, of course, we all know teenagers do not have sex. Oh, of course not. High school kids do not have sex.

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Sarah DePalma 05:56

Yeah, right. Yeah.

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Michelle Meyers 05:59

Yeah. But in overall, the message that we I wanted to make to everyone is if you have an opinion on this very controversial subject, whichever side you fall on, let it be known. That's the real important.



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Yes, the the Houston City Council representatives and the representatives to the state legislature are concerned there were two representatives who were present personally and a nice Parker since she couldn't attend, had one of her interns show up for her to take notes and make sure that she was abreast of what was going on. Oh, so everybody's concerned, you can write your representatives. Or you can contact the Texas Department of Health directly. Or if you would rather contact the Houston, Department of Health and Human Services, they're both open to hearing public response.

 Michelle Meyers 06:50

Okay. There's another thing we wanted to cover also. Oh,

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yes. This past week. Now, the whole community is probably may or may not be aware of this. But this past week, Mayor Lee Brown announced that he was going to have plans to issue an executive order banning discrimination and hiring on sexual orientation. The political and religious rights have really come out in mass against this

 Sarah DePalma 07:26


deja vu all over again. Yeah. Well, we don't

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want it to be deja vu all over. And it doesn't have to be a nice Parker. And Heath Parker, who is one of the supporters of this, of this bill is asking members of the community, all of us to show up this coming Tuesday at City Hall at at 2pm. At the city council chambers. Now, anyone who wishes to speak at this meeting must reserve a spot in advance by calling the city Secretary secretary's office at 713-247-1840. And you have to make that call no later than one hour before the meeting. And this is very important. The political and religious right are going to say again, that there is no discrimination in hiring practices. Well, there is we can't who do not have and cannot have right now. And openly gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered teacher in our public schools are more policemen. That's right. Our police woman. Right. All right. All right. And I happen to know, at least a couple of cases in which there have been some very successful transgender police officers who are bad and having some tough cookies. You know, and in fact, they just aired one of those on a&e, right that they did, sir dipalma.

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Dead. Actually, he's, he's a future guest on the show. Oh, I've met him on several different occasions nationally, he runs an organization called tops transgenders on patrol, and he's going to be a guest on one of the future shows. It looks like, what is this February? It looks like probably April for him. But

 Michelle Meyers 09:25

isn't that transgender officers protect and serve?

 Sarah DePalma 09:29



Sarah DeFalco 09:29

I think yeah, I think that's right. Yeah. That's correct. Yeah. Tony, Tony Barry annatto gonna be I think he pronounces it very narrow.



Roy 09:39

Okay. And the important thing here about this particular deal is that we need the community. All of you to make plans to show up this, this coming



Michelle Meyers 09:52

Tuesday, February 17 2pm.



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And this is a so incredibly important. Another thing that the they're going to be saying is that they are afraid that the gay lesbian, bisexual transgender people are going to molest their children. You're going to hear that over and over and over them. Oh, crap,



Michelle Meyers 10:16

right. So show up and speak out. Again, Mayor Lee Brown citizens Assistance Office, the phone number is area code 713-247-1818. If you want to register to speak, you need to call number 713-247-1840. Again, 247 1840. You can also let your opinions be known by sending an email to Mayor at CI dot Houston that tx.us. That's mayor at CI dot Houston texans.us.



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And I want our younger listeners to understand and to know that just because somebody is homosexual, bisexual transgendered does not mean that they molest children. If you want to go according to crime statistics, I am a certified Protection Officer myself. I am a member of the International Foundation for protection officers, as well as the law enforcement lines of America. And I can tell you that the actual FBI stats is that better than 95% of all sexual abuse of children are conducted by heterosexual people. Sure. Yeah,



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nuts. Matter of fact, I think the bulk of that 95% are heterosexual white



Michelle Meyers 11:46

males. Yes. Yeah.



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There you go. Hello.



Michelle Meyers 11:50

So that's the news. Before we leave, I'd like to mention one other thing. If you'd like to contact us at after hours, either the news or Jimmy or any of us here. You can email us at after hours. KPFT@hotmai.com again, after hours KPFT at hotmai, H O T m a i l.com.



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clarification.



Michelle Meyers 12:18

Okay. And that's it for the news. Thank you. Thank you very much. Is there anybody out there?



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Hi, this is Pat Rosie's night sounds we're on from midnight to 5am on Monday mornings considered by some to be Sunday night. We're here so wake up a friend and join us there and everybody out there. That's always our burning question. We really do want to know is there anybody listening to our mix of rock folk and Celtic music, along with special performances from local musicians? Anybody out there? We've got some of the finest local artists playing their own original musical live, especially for those who tune in to patent Rosie's night sound we're on from midnight to 5am on Monday mornings also thought of it Sunday night. So tune in to Pat Rosie's night sounds only on KPFT 90.1 FM in Houston, Texas.



Sarah DePalma 13:21

Is there anyone out there? Sure. There is.



Jimmy Carper 13:24

sound heard tomorrow night in the same time slot midnight to five. Actually midnight to five. It's a longer time slot. But I mean, if you can listen to us, you can listen to them and they have a great show live music. It's an app patent. Rosa, you're so cool.



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I gotta be honest, I've never heard I have to get up and go to work the next day. So tape. Yeah,

I do wish that your VCR. I wish that talking about the going to city council on Tuesday. I wish it was another time besides two o'clock in the afternoon people like me have to work

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funny how it's scheduled that way, isn't it?

 Sarah DePalma 14:02


Yeah. Well, it's not me. It's not some conspiracy, that that is the way that they're scheduled. But it is too bad because I would very much love to go and speak on behalf of the transgender community. Yeah, but I have to work for a living.

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Well, a lot of people do. You know, that's just the reality of life. Yeah, yeah. Okay. And that's the problem. Oh, there's a couple other things I you know, I have to admit that I was taking care of things in the lobby. I didn't hear all of the news. But so in cases is a repeat to back there. Yeah. But quack. The queer artists collective presents swoon, a post Valentine's Day spoken word event. It's an open mic. Monday, February 16. That's this Monday at 8pm at toobeez coffee shop at 1830 West Alabama. It's kind of an after Valentine's Day stuff in to be This is a great play. Oh, yeah. And they've got a quack has got some new spoken word stuff. I was talking to Michael. And he's really excited about this.

 Sarah DePalma 15:12

But Mike Michaels Michaels really into this? Oh, yes, yes. Well,


 Jimmy Carper 15:15


you know, quack is like the going thing I mean, it's the out there you performance art? Yeah, we're performance art stuff going on it's an I'm really happy to be behind them. And I'm glad to see that some of the other media is behind them now too.


 Sarah DePalma 15:36


Well, that's about time. Yeah, got some transgendered stuff to talk about here. Okay. Um, the big news in the transgender community right now is the proposed merger between its time America, which is the the transgendered version of the National Gay Lesbian taskforce in an organization called Aegis, I read that now, Aegis is an organization that is dedicated to education. And they had they put out a wonderful magazine called chrysalis quarterly. They are one of the most reliable sources on hormone information in surgery. And so there are some people in our community who were kind of curious how you're going to how we're going to mix politics with education. I sent off a letter to its time in America to our group, and tell them that I


didn't understand how you could have politics without education. You know, to me, it was like saying you were going to have peanut without butter, or, you know, that it just didn't make any sense. Yeah. So I am very much in favor of the merger, as long as it means it's time, America does not have to assume a whole lot of debts. Because after all, we don't have any money. But it is one of the hot topics in the in the transgender community. And it's very interesting, because the board of its time in America right now is pretty much split over whether this is or is not a good idea. Wow. So I'm not sure which way it's going to go. I know Jessica Zevia. Her Xavier, who is the current national director, and I, in myself as a past national director, have both come out and four in favor of it. But our votes only count is one piece. So we'll see how this all turns out. I think in the end, it probably will carry good. And I think it would be the best thing as I pointed out when I go to the legislature, I want some educational materials to leave behind. And it would look wonderful if we could say that it's time America, slash Aegis. Put it together. No kidding. So we definitely want to do that. I also want to bring attention to a story that we talked about in the show before. Well, about a year ago, there was a woman by the name of Tyra Hunter, and Tyra Hunter was in an auto accident and sustained some very severe injuries. I kind of remember that. And at the time this happened. Some EMTs showed up and they were doing just fine until they discovered that Tyrell Hunter was a was a preoperative transsexual and the police officer that was involved the EMT that was involved began making insulting comments in cut off the care to Tyra Hunter. Well, we're going through some stuff and this is something that Dallas Denny who currently runs Aegis sent to me it seems that the city of Washington DC has taken the position that the police officer had the right hand the right to say disparaging things and say that at the time at the top of his voice this to an automobile victim

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because

 Sarah DePalma 18:51
that that's

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how about if you saw black lack for transgendered? How does it sound then?

 Sarah DePalma 19:00
Well, you know, I think that's it's a good point. And it's this is an area where the gay community has teamed up with transgender community say this is a bunch of crap. It

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is a bunch of crap. I'm a melody deserves to have remarks said about them.



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I have been told by people who are cut off. I have I've been talked and told by people who live in the area that the real issues that Washington DC is broke, and they're scared to death, this is going to be multi million dollar judgment against them. Well, I don't see how coming up with an idiotic argument like this is gonna present this to prevent the judgment against him. Can you imagine that the city of Houston had taken let's say it was me for a moment. And the EMTs had refused not only refused care, but stood there making disparaging remarks. Do you really think a that somebody in this city wouldn't sue? And be the you don't think that when really do you picture the city of Houston saying well, but the EMT had the first amendment right to make disparaging remarks. I mean, it's the most ridiculous thing I've ever heard. You know, and so I don't know how that's going to come out in Washington, but I'll keep you informed. To me. It's just the most amazing thing in the world. Rick Rosendale, who is the president of the gay lesbian activist Alliance, said that Farren of Mr. Faron, who is the attorney called him just prior to the press conference to disclose that he would drop language in the city's brief that asserted that the fire department was exempt from the city humans rights act. Right. The buddy said he was still intended to take the position that the firemen had the right to say what he thought. So we'll keep you informed. It's a pretty bizarre legal case to me. Idiocy abounds any rights. Suppose you suppose you instead of saying well, you know you Fagor this that suppose you started using the N word, right? Oh, what do you really think the city wouldn't lose that in no time? You got it? You know, it's just just bizarre. I picked it off the internet and it made my blood boil. I heard I thought I'd heard everything but obviously,



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I guess just you know, you know, John Bennett VTEs. Missed last month because he couldn't get off from work. Things were going on, you know, because he works at PS right. And I just happened to read in the voice of John Bennett, VTEs and Don woods are cooking on Thursdays. Join them upstairs in the leather loft fps for a light munchie buffet. John and Dawn donate their time and talents. If you would like to donate to the PWA holiday charities box, they would appreciate it. Well, isn't that cool?



Sarah DePalma 21:46

And you didn't know anything about it? Then now we're thinking about it. John benemid. He's, you're in trouble. I know.



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I mean, yeah. That was about it. I have



Sarah DePalma 21:55

some I have some interesting news from Great Britain. Yeah, what's up? Um, the the, the as you know, there is a new prime minister in Great Britain. And he had made a promise to the transgender community there, that if he was elected, that he would propose some legislation to

give transgender or specifically in this case, transsexuals rights, okay. And he has lived up to his he's lived up to his word. All right. And so Phyllis Frye sent me a copy of what is being proposed. And I wanted to talk about a couple of things that were in their proposal, because I thought they were very, wasn't real through some of it. One of the things they were asking for, is they they are saying that before, a transsexual would be able to get any records changed, they would have to have made arrangements to go through a therapist. Well, what if you can't afford what? Well, yeah, what if they're not available? And we've had guests on the show, who told us that the system in Britain is yes, you can get one if you don't mind waiting two or three years. Crow. So that proposal that we kind of have the same thing here? Well, it's a different issue here, because we're lucky in us that we have the Montrose clinic. So they will work on a sliding fee. But even so you couldn't get your documents change in this case, if you have to go hire Phyllis or another attorney, and go to court, and you have to give them money for that. Yeah. So I was I thought, well, all right, they're gonna require you go through doctor. But then I start thinking about that could mean maybe two or three year wait, before you get to go for your new name change? What do you do in between? Yeah, now, I'm not so sure about that one. But then they said views are also being sought about what if any disclosure is required to an employer, or prospective employer about the individual and their doctor. Now see in this country, that would be illegal, because you're not required to disclose anything to your employer, about anything that you have going on between you and your doctor, right? And if a doctor was subpoenaed, they would claim Doctor client privilege, right. But apparently, that doesn't hold true in Britain, yikes. Which and then they say, because we need to be able to rely on an order. In order to prove that the there they have the right not to be discriminated against, we have to know that they're taking the correct steps. So the government is telling them what the correct steps are. I've got a problem with that. And then it says, it will be lawful for the employer to specify that the transsexual individual must use particular facilities for during the period of transition. And in other words, they must use the lavatories normally reserved for disabled people, rather, so here we go with the bathroom issue again. And this is coming out our governing document. If you get tired of that damn bathroom issue, the individual will have the right to request to change at the point of believing that he or she Would or he or she would, when observed by a reasonable person appear to be of the new sexual identity? In other words, if you're passable, it's okay. You can use any bathroom you're not but if you're not passable That ain't right. I'm reading this and I'm thinking No.



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You're basing a lot on look CISM looks. Yeah, that Steve wills not going to tell you there are people who are never going to pass. No, no, what did they do?



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You know, as here I am now I'm six years down the line and transition nice to occasionally get read by people. Well, okay, it's gonna happen. You know, reading this something I can can't picture Stephen will buying into this. And then they're going to start dictating to you what kind of jobs you can or cannot have time period breaks. During the period, it will be lawful to exclude individuals from jobs, which involves intimate physical contact with members of the public. Yeah. Okay. And they say things like, for example, like if you work in the beauty, if you work as a beautician on close personal interaction with vulnerable people whom the employer reasonably believes would be disturbed, such as those seeking counseling for rape or people

with mental disabilities. That's what that's what they're proposing. Yeah. And I'm, I'm thinking, Okay, so there's so if you're transsexual, they're afraid that your transition would be upsetting to a mental patient. All right, I could buy that too. Maybe true.



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But I'm still sending to somebody getting their hair done. Yeah. Why would being



Sarah DePalma 26:28

Why would transition upset? Someone getting a haircut?



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would be, you know, and that would be advantageous? Yeah. Yeah, I'm



Sarah DePalma 26:39

missing it.



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Is it the touchy thing and what does that have to do with anything that's being trained



Sarah DePalma 26:45

Central has to do with being able to like dye your hair? I don't know. Well, you know, I don't see how do



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you know what what do you know what your beautician does at home anyway? And what does it matter?



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My beautician may well have AIDS and I don't care, right? It's have no relevance. I saw that and so okay. And then they want to say that during the six months, I during the transition period, and for six months afterwards, it will be lawful to exclude the individuals from jobs involving contact with members of the public, or customers who are changing in health clubs, clothes,

shop assistants, job rather, home helps swimming attendants. Self so you can't be lifeguard. You can't work in a store, or at least if you do, you can't work near a dressing room, I guess. What the hell would it matter? Knowing



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knowing not know,



Sarah DePalma 27:36

me, you go into these dressing rooms? No one can see you. Why would I know? So they're asking for proposals and comments on this. And needless to say, I'm going to write steam little back and say, Stephen, I know you're not buying into this. But for the record, here's what I think are what's wrong with it. Now, here's the real reason that I brought this up is not because this is going on in Great Britain. But because this is what was brought up against transgenders when we tried to go forward with ENDA. When transgenders wanted to get end up getting included in ended. This was the kind of stuff that was being brought forward to us. They were saying to us, well, what kind of an accommodation would we have to make? If we've got a six foot guy coming in and sequence? Do we have to tolerate this? And now, first of all, I don't know anybody who's going to go and transition? Who's going to show up in sequence. You know, I mean, the question is phrased is absurd at face value. But if we ever the point ever comes that we actually get if you know that that transgenders are ever seriously going to be included into it, we have to be prepared to answer the kinds of objections that we just saw. Because that's what we're going to be up against. And it's one of the things they




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never think you know, these outlandish things. I don't know why it's



Sarah DePalma 28:57

why would you need to wait six months. Now, here's another problem in Britain and it came up because Beth Prichard has got the same problem. This Richard is about to go on a very wonderful trip and she's gonna go see any clips. So she went to get a passport. And they wouldn't give her the passport with an F on it. Why? Well, because she's first of all, she hasn't had her surgery. And second in the state of Ohio, they refuse to change the birth certificate. Well, the State Department says they won't put an F on a on a passport. If the birth certificate doesn't say f. So she's caught so she's caught in a catch 22 Here are no kidding. Okay. They won't change the birth certificate. Therefore the State Department won't give her a passport that says F Now if you've ever seen Beth Richard there's no way in the world anyone would ever see Beth Richards anything but female right? Just not possible. Right. Okay. Now I was trying to picture Beth presenting this passport to somebody with the M on it. That have to think it was a miss All right. And and what kind of risk would it does that put her in? You know, she's going to a foreign country

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if her name has been changed legally.

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Well, the problem is, it turns out is that the federal government is not obligated to obey the court order of a sir of a district judge? Oh, okay. The district judge has no jurisdiction in federal issues. So as far as the State Department is concerned, Beth, is that male person she used to meet, which is insane. Not if they met her. Yeah. Well, and I asked Beth, about that. I said, Well, now suppose, Beth, that you went down and use that use? They saw you would it make a difference? No. Because of the State Department, you are what's between your legs? You are what your birth certificate says.

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Okay, what if she had the operation?

 Sarah DePalma 30:54

Still wouldn't matter, because Ohio won't change the birth certificate under any circumstance, even if she's had the surgery. Now, there aren't many states and left in the country that fit into that obstinate, but apparently Ohio was one of them. Now in Connecticut, where I grew up, they will not change an original birth certificate, but they will amend it. Okay. Now, having said that, I don't think that would still be good enough for the State Department.

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No, you don't have a what you're saying is you don't have a passport?

 Sarah DePalma 31:21

No, I haven't applied for I haven't had the occasion to apply for passport. But I think it's very interesting. And in Britain, it's a serious problem. Because if they can't get a birth certificate change, which they can't now, it means they also cannot apply for Social Services, oops. Which means no one's going to pay for the surgery. Now, so they're really caught in a circle all the way around here. Now in Britain, they've found ways around it and one of the proposals that's in that's in in here is to change birth certificate law. That's something that I would like to see It's Time Texas do and we're working on seeing if we can find let's find wording for that. Because Texas is a state that does not change per certificate. They will amend it. But as far as taxes is concerned, you were born at birth with a penis your boy, hurry it. Nevermind, it was in error. Now Beth is proposing she's she told me tonight she's going to propose something very interesting in Ohio be interesting. See what happens. Beth is going to say to them, apparently their laws written word has where it says they will change the birth certificate if you can show the doctor made a mistake. So Beth is going to say, Well, the doctor made a mistake.

Obviously. Look at me, the doctor looked at me and saw penis and thought it was a boy. But obviously that's wrong. Just look at me say right. And therefore you should change my birth certificate. Now, I don't know whether that's going to fly. But that's pretty clever. I gotta hand it to bed. That's darn smart. So it'd be really interesting to see what happens. This is an issue that we haven't really talked about much on the show. And that is the problem with documentation. But it does come up a lot. Getting your driver's license changed in at least here in Texas, thanks to do the Phyllis is getting easier. But issues like VA benefits. If you change sex. Issues like passports are pure nightmare. You're all bad. They are just they are just utter nightmares. Even even sometimes getting a voting card is a problem. It's the whole issue of documentation. Right now we are in a catch 22. In Atlanta in Texas ongoing we're trying to look for the wording right now. We're going to propose a change in the birth certificate. At the same time we go in with the name change bill. Because in Texas, you still happens an awful lot that people go for a name change. And the judge is saying, Well, sure Susie will change your name. But you versus your your driver's license has to say male or Yep, Bobby, but your driver's license still has to say female. And so how do you get a job? First thing, first thing you do when you go to apply for jobs is you present an a license, right? And a social security card. So documentation is a big issue in the transgender community. And I thought I would point it out because of this article that had come up in, in in Great Britain. I think it's really fascinating of the way that Britain at least is making the attempt. So they're getting away from Margaret Thatcher. At what point in this country can we get away from the Ronald Reagan philosophy? Real? That's what I want to know. You know, not to be insulting to the Republicans, but really, like, when would that happen now?



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I don't know. As a sideline to us you brought up president's you know, with all of the controversy going on with Clinton right now. And and Lewinsky

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Sarah DePalma 34:51

I don't care. Well,



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you know, I've made this point you know, I What does it matter where somebody puts their penis I mean, it It's been so long since we've had a president with a penis that worked.

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Sarah DePalma 35:19

From you know, from a historical perspective, this isn't new. No, Benjamin Franklin was known as the father of France, and he had nothing to do with his diplomacy skills got that rise. Jefferson is now widely known that Thomas Jefferson was sleeping with his slaves, right? There's an argument over how many children that were produced. But apparently there are quite a few.



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There's questions about George Washington sexuality. Well, it's not



Sarah DePalma 35:44

even quite it's actually pretty well documented at this point that George Washington was having an affair the whole time he was in the Army say, didn't prevent him from being a president. No. Does anyone really think that all the years of this country has anyone heard of John Kennedy didn't put in him from doing a job. I don't care. Now, what I would care about is if it turns out that Clinton lied or obstructed justice, that would be a different issue. That's what you ran Richard Nixon out of here for well, that that's a different issue. That's a criminal issue. But up to this point, there's no evidence that he's done squat. So leave me alone.



Michelle Meyers 36:26

Well, I think it's it's like the movie wag the dog, except I think they got it wrong. I think they're using the scandal to cover up an upcoming war.



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Are you think so? Yeah.



Michelle Meyers 36:40

I mean, I'm not really I mean, that's what that's the effect of I don't think it's being done on purpose, obviously. But that's the effect of it. That scandal is getting in the way of people understanding that there's a war coming up, and there's a lot of people going to be killed. And it's just getting in the way of things. Gotta stop talking about this.



Sarah DePalma 37:00

Well, I'd say one thing if it proves me is that I don't want to be president. Who would want the job?



37:07

I know, it's terrible.



Sarah DePalma 37:09

It can't pay that well.



37:11

Coming up in less than two minutes. So is there red eye special with Big Daddy J bring you old fashioned blues?



Michelle Meyers 37:22

No, I caught him. Oh, and tomorrow and



Sarah DePalma 37:24

I'd say well, he played some great music. Yeah, it really does. Yes.



37:28

You know, we've got so many different blues shows and they're all different, all representing different facets of the blues. Yeah.



Sarah DePalma 37:35

It really is very diverse musical form. This three hours has flown out of here. Yes. Michelle.



Michelle Meyers 37:40

I was kind of mentioned tomorrow. The KPFT is holding an open an open house but an open discussion, but I can't exactly remember where



37:48

it is. We played the card earlier. 123 and it's at the leisure Learning Center. That's fine. 2990 Richmond. Yeah. 2990



Sarah DePalma 37:57

Rich.



Michelle Meyers 37:58

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38:02

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Sarah DePalma 38:16

remember the motto that we always leave with on this program. One decorum becomes repression. The only dignity free people have is to speak out. Good night.