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take it anymore, right? Which is which is what what I told them, you know, eventually they're gonna grow up and you know, become better men and and change things. So that's the way to go. So I just wanted to mention that



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you know has its problems when you still look at it from the side, it's a little bit envious, I think of the culture they have up there and oh sure, especially even for kids when Hetrick Martin Institute, which is up there is a phenomenal organization that is just any wonders



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and the parade. I mean, I was so amazed at every time I turn my head admins, like it's so diverse. I mean, the Hispanic community participating in the parade was huge. They had about 25 floats that I started canceling different is flattened organizations coming in together and you know, and it was it was so interesting to see that in New York to see the Puerto Ricans marching Americans marching, you know, Mexican Americans you know, little even though there were not many but there were so much and different organizations. I mean, it's like I was I was very proud of that. And and that's something that I hope that we get to see all the time here in Houston.



Jimmy Carper 01:14

There's a lot of diversity like that in York and what you're finding out a lot that now because of mixed marriages, there's there's a lot of you know, who knows what, yes, yeah, and Borges that makes some beautiful looking Oh, yeah,



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I think eventually like we're all gonna be hopefully look like very good looking Hawaiian. Yeah.



Jimmy Carper 01:39

That's that's kind of my thing. I'll never see it my lifetime. But I want the whole world to intermarry. So we can be one race.



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Like if I ever moved to New York, and they didn't have a good apartment in Chelsea, you were all



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we walk around the city the next day, we kept them walking on Monday and kept on walking around the city. And those men are just gorgeous. Sounds like I need to stop drooling.



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The David David was up there I was a few weeks before I went up to visit and he kept telling me, these men are just beautiful there. I want to go I don't want to walk outside these men are just, you know, like, you know, whatever. I go up there, like they're all but you wonder where they find time to go to the gym. Because every gay man up there is just Yeah, beautiful body. And



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where do the old ugly ones like me go. I don't even



Bobby 02:41

some of them are still recovering from stuff. Some of them are still hanging out.



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But I mean, it was it was really fun. It was interesting. And it was nice to see that they gay community and uncertain areas of New York is so open and so accepting. I mean, it's like, we got a chance to go to a few of the bars and a few of the coffee shops. And something that I

noticed and I totally fell in love with is the fact that most of the businesses have gay flags hanging in there, gay stickers. And it made me feel very proud. It's like hate, I can go into a restaurant get nice service, and you know, and

 Jimmy Carper 03:23

spend your money in a gay or gay friendly, friendly place.

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And I'm like, and that's I was thinking about Houston when I went in, and it's like, there's only a, I mean, I can count them with my hands and still have fingers left for businesses that are really really truly gay friendly. And that not just cater to our community, but also give back to the community. And it's like, I want to see that in Houston. So more.

 Jimmy Carper 03:51


Yes. And and that not only that, but it for businesses to do that. They run the risk of losing customers that you know, that's

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that's the first thing that came to my mind. Any restaurant puts of gave black and they're the the people aren't just not gonna,

 Jimmy Carper 04:12

they might not. Yes, yeah. So that's I really when some business does that. I'm walking in that door and I'm buying something because, you know, I want to promote that and, and have more of it. Totally. Yes.

 Bobby 04:29


It's a great thing. And this of the people I know several people who have this attitude, who have this attitude of I don't care what you think about my openness, you know, my open invitation, having that sticker in the window, you know, if you don't like the fact that I cater to the entire community, including the gay A ones then tough, you know, you don't have to come into my store. You know, I know several people who are just, you know, they don't care what you are, as long as you come into the store and treat the people who you find there with respect, you know,

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and what's even more amazing is the kind of people that own this business as you know, Greeks, you know, Europeans, Arabs, you know, and, you know, Indians and, you know, Puerto Ricans you know, mostly Caribbean countries. And and if you look at their cultures and how anti gay they supposed to be, and you then you see this business as it's like, man, we're making progress. Yeah, because they see us as as, as you know, a customer somebody that is gonna come in, spend money and as they cater to us, and that's all we need to do in that community, make sure that we spend our money in you know, places that are gay friendly. That's right. So that way that community can learn from it and said, Hey, I will be an especially knowing that we're mostly single kidding or income just for ourselves. We have enough to

 Jimmy Carper 06:17

this is another this is another plug or you know, if you you know, you need a plumber, you need car repair or whatever, get that gay yellow pages out and call up somebody in there. Those are people who want our business.

 Bobby 06:31

That book gets bigger every year, doesn't it? The first time I got one of those little skinny

 Jimmy Carper 06:36

Yes, yes. I love it each year, it does get bigger. I do love it.

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And let's take a break and we'll listen to break boys. But Romanovsky Phillips,

 Jimmy Carper 06:46

is this the one you wanted to get to Gary? Want to make the announcement again? And then

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yeah, for those of you that weren't listening earlier, may not know already, Gary, but Nottingham passed away on Thursday evening of a heart attack he'd been in the hospital for for a while with with pneumonia. And some of that have been really involved in this community. Yeah,

 Jimmy Carper 07:06

from the very from the 70s. Right. He was the one who was fired from the city for being openly gay. And it started people thinking in terms of putting gay people a picture of them in the run.

And



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I think if I remember correctly, I think he also was the first president of the Houston galas and Political Caucus. I don't know. So, but definitely, I know, know, his work recently with hatch and raising scholarship monies for them and go yes, with \$1,000 \$80,000 that in the past couple years, that really became a big issue. Yes. Something was really dedicated to and so I think for those of us that recently started coming out and being involved in the community you someone that we've looked up to and had the opportunity to learn a lot from and respected a lot so



Jimmy Carper 07:53

and this song is from romanovski and Phillips from the album brave boys. And the card is brave voice. brave boys, romanovski and Phillips, from their latest album that it's called brave boys. And unfortunately, that last, their last album has been, gosh, four or five years ago. They haven't heard anything yet said and they are so good or great. The songs that they write the message comes right through and



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and they put on a great show. Yes, they



Bobby 08:38

do. I've never actually seen them before. They are wonderful.



Jimmy Carper 08:41

Absolutely wonderful.



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They are had the chance to do them and rice when they were in town and when this really was oh, the latest.



Jimmy Carper 08:49

Yeah, that's right. I was at that count. Okay, good. Yeah. They're perfectionists I'm, yeah. Everybody talks about how how Paul Phillips is like the bitch, because he, you know, he won't settle for anything less than perfection. Right? When when they do a Mic check. He's gonna be there a couple hours because he doesn't like and you better redo it. Anyway. And so it's been about five years since.



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Wow. Gosh, but so hopefully, they'll put something out. That's new. I mean, boy, I hope so. Because there are definitely a great group they are can come up with great stuff. And sure what's happened over the past few years. So right about Yes, I'm sure it has robbed doing parodies of



Bobby 09:34

Oh, I bet. They'd have lots of things to play with.



Jimmy Carper 09:38

And speaking of music, we're going to have one later by devonne. Rick, Devon, who as is this out yet?



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No, actually, he told me to tell you that that's designed to cover right now. So that's like the standard black and white copy that he gave me to like to bring



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and I can't keep it.



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You can talk Joe, I think that the lobby, he's like, he's like, this is like, tell James I'm gonna get him on I'm gonna get away.



Jimmy Carper 10:07

I know because I hate playing songs. I haven't taped them that night, tape it and then play.



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I have a tape of the first one on a CD of the person if you want that I can get them.



Jimmy Carper 10:19

I love his music. I love his music. And I'm very proud to play it. And you know, I look for local talent before anything else. But yeah,



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you know how that goes. You usually you have to have a sponsor themselves. Yeah, and if somebody's got a few CDs is, wow. I was looking at his recording costs. And it was just



Jimmy Carper 10:39

some yeah, sometimes I, I I've never really I've talked to some artists about, you know, how much does it cost? And nobody's ever really given me an answer. But I bet it's not cheap. No,



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he's spending a few \$1,000 on putting does this demo out? Yeah. But I mean, he's very good. He is He uses a good studio. I mean, he's been recording next to Destiny, Charles black and folks like that at a studio here in Houston. Just so it's been a great experience for him. And so it just sort of, and the producers are great.



Jimmy Carper 11:10

Here again, you know, we say a lot on after hours is follow your dream. Yes. Devin is doing it. It can be done, folks.



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It can you just got to stick to it. I mean, it's sort of



Jimmy Carper 11:26

just not just for queer people. I mean, that's for everybody.





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And most people, most people not being afraid to do it. And I mean, yeah, you know, he picked up and moved to New York and try that now. He's going to either hit la in New York or Europe. Next. And as soon as we finished, he finishes this up. You know, you got to strike out there and and make it happen. Yeah,





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you do. You do?


 Bobby 11:49
They don't. Dreams don't fall in your lap. You have to go for him when you do. You do and unfortunately


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for me, Houston is not a hotbed of recording. Studios.

 Jimmy Carper 12:00
Houston is not alive, really alive music town. When pansy division who is a nationally known queer band, they come here and maybe they get 50 people. And they go to a smaller place like Minneapolis, St. Paul, and they get 200. And it's I don't know, I don't get it. I don't understand. Yeah, cuz

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you're that's a good talent come out of here. I just don't understand why we don't.

 Jimmy Carper 12:27
Yes. Christian Andreassen. Yeah. Wonderful talent. So hopefully, he's he's in LA, you know, work and

 Bobby 12:37
just got to drag these people out to support this.

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I know, everybody probably knows that. I don't know anything about music.

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Sorry. Mysteriously. No,

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I just



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like where did Sandy go?



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Where are we going now?



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Well, I just want to remind folks that a few things that are coming up in terms of Ryan White planning, the Ryan White Planning Council tradewind white act is going to be voted again again this year in renewed and so I would hope folks people, I don't anticipate a problem. But I hope folks keep an eye on that and can call their local member of Congress, whoever that may be, and tell them to support the Ryan White Ryan White act. We've got some amendments this year that we'd actually lobbied for early on in terms of funding so that he shouldn't be able to get more money. And some of the things requiring why Ryan White planning councils to be even more diverse than they're already required to be? So a lot of good improvements that is going to move forward. And so just wanted to remind people what's going on with that and a lot of stuff going on with our eight service organizations. Body Positive just had its big Fourth of July party.



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And, and, yeah, okay.



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And we'll be having a new executive director, starting soon. Shawn Carter.



Jimmy Carper 14:03

I just heard that today that Shawn Carter is Yeah.



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Yeah. And so I hope you guess for two weeks now, I've been hearing like, well, this is what's going to happen or like don't say but don't say anything, but don't say anything but but for two weeks. I'm sure everyone is at this point heard? Well, they'll say anything. And I'm sad to say is President of the Board of OB is Angela Mora is leaving the organization who has been the

executive director from the start. So we're losing our first and our negative director who built this organization from herself to like no sets of 3035 or so and a few million dollars budget and I had recommended a friend for a job in California, who's now with the governor's office and he returned the favor by stealing and



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last time



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so think evil things but



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but she's it'll be exciting opportunity for she's going to be heading and I'm a big healthcare advocate, that's been my big issue. And she's one of the first of its kind in the country, the state of California is going to be opening up advocacy program for people with HMOs. And that kind of thing, to advocate for them on their behalf and we have for their interest when it comes to dealing with HMOs. And all the fun stuff that they do. And then one of my sayings has always been nothing keeps the doctor away like an apple a day in an HMO. So glad to see that Angela's gonna be heading out there. And



Jimmy Carper 15:35

that's what I've been, I've been eating. And I can get away with instead of once a month, once every two months going to my doctor, you know, so hey, works,



Bobby 15:45

I go once every three



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months eat a lot of apples, honey.





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That's what's going on here with with our community in terms of HIV and AIDS stuff. And I just want to make people aware of what's going on with the Ryan White Planning Council, and all of that. And I noticed a lot of activity going on just a lot of community groups. I think this weekend, there was a lot of activity. I don't know if it was done today or tomorrow because I

didn't do plan anything for this weekend. But if it's tomorrow, there's a fundraising for lesbian group on common legacy. So if that is tomorrow, hope Oh, and you get an invite I hope people will read with me. I plan this weekend to be entirely like low key, so I'm not gonna go


 Jimmy Carper 16:32
say what's going on in the political world, you're gonna go down?

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Well, there was a fundraiser tonight, actually, for Sue Lowell, who was our first openly gay, lesbian. That's right on the democratic, right.


 Jimmy Carper 16:42
And then the wonderful things are happening there. She has been named.

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She is on the Democratic National Committee, the first openly lesbian person from Texas to serve on the Democratic National Committee. And for those folks who don't know, it's like it is the National Democratic Party.

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And she's taking the place of

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Billy Carr, whoa, and those are some big shoes to fill. And

 Jimmy Carper 17:04
Sue has been in the community and politics a very long time. And I think she can fill those shoes.

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Oh, definitely. Definitely. And she's hard at work. And for those of you who know, Sue, she'll speak up. She'll speak her mind. Oh, yeah. So we have nothing to worry about there as a community as a state. But she's definitely got a good head on her shoulders. It has been out

there. And so we're glad she's doing that I was appointed the request of the Gore campaign to serve on the national Credentials Committee of the DNC. So I'll actually be flying up there. Hey, Hillary to work on that. And then we've got a lot of



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weights and pops the



Bobby 17:48

child does not know how to float.



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For PR consultant, I need to hire one for myself. Do you offering



Bobby 18:04

PR man who needs a PR



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was like going on there. And then we heard a little bit earlier about what's going on Dr. Laura and



Jimmy Carper 18:14

well, I call her Laura, you know what's



Bobby 18:19

nicer than what I call? I can't say that on the air.





Jimmy Carper 18:30

Yeah. I think a big problem here is that the other side is claiming your you're trying to subvert the First Amendment. If you don't want you know, Dr. Laura can say whatever she wants to, and that's our first amendment right and not exactly. Because when you're spewing hate and stuff that she has done, then you're fueling an animosity that creates death for people. Yeah.




B Bobby 19:08
We have freedom of speech in this country to a point when your speech is responsible for the for PS dying. Yes. Then I think, you know, I mean, there's a limit

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and yes, and I think she's she's crossed the line,

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especially when they're public airwaves, and she has


J Jimmy Carper 19:35
no idea as millions of people are listening to what she says and this is not First Amendment. This is hate speech. Right. They take

B Bobby 19:43
it as truth because she's got those two letters in front of her name, Doctor. Yeah, yeah.

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We just don't know from worse.

J Jimmy Carper 19:54
physiology so correspond something how the body works, by Uh, you know when it comes to Yeah,

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she has a certificate

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of some some sort.

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I don't know, Dingleberry University.



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You know.



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But you know, I was actually driving, I was on the way back from Austin. And I don't know why I could not change the channel. But I listened to Jay G. Gordon Liddy, for like, over half a trip going from Austin to Houston. And just just being amazed at the things this man was saying. And they were just mad. And they were just coming over the radio talkie Aside from his ideology, and just aside from that he had Dr. Laura were classmates apparently somewhere. Just the stuff



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he was the one taking those pictures.



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I just did you know, just things like referring to as assistant like, if I know if I call my wife and her number to get in to get on the show. But a lot of I don't pick up Katie, I think is her name will pick up. Just me you wanna you want to talk to her? Look, look, she's just see what she's wearing today. She's hot. I mean, it just, you know, stop sexist remarks like that. Because that if you you know, I'm sure if I said that right here about you know, you know, you know, you know, if you want to call in and make a comment, you know, big boys out there in G string give us you know, he's looking hot today, give us a call. I mean, you know, we get like, some complaints



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from people who knew.



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But, you know, we said something like six was like that on the radio, you can bet the like, we'd get some calls.



Jimmy Carper 21:46

We have? Yeah, I think people who listen to this show have a bit more brain powers and than the average. Because yeah,



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and you'd be amazed what sort of stuff people and and unfortunately, this country? First Amendment is very broad. And I'm gonna say that it's unfortunate, but it's sort of it creates unique circumstances. Yes,



Jimmy Carper 22:08

it does. And yeah, and like, where does it stop? And



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unfortunately, it boils down to freedom of the press belongs to those that can afford it. And that is like, another plug for KPFT. We could be on here, you know, not have to sell out to



Jimmy Carper 22:28

That's right. That's right. And it's and it's to the listeners of KPFT that we owe it all because they are the ones who are providing the money every time. We have a marathon show. And they come through and they've been coming through a lot better in the past few years. Yes.




Bobby 22:46


You know, on that note of, you know, where freedom of speech, you know, and I don't know, for anybody thinks that I, if I'm a gay man. Yeah, where to spout hateful, absolutely hateful things about the straight community. And and and then physically harm a straight person simply because they're straight. I would be, you know, raising hell about that, because I don't think we have, you know, on the other side, you have the right to absolutely not cause somebody physically harm because they happen to be straight. You know, I, you know, it works on both sides. But you know, yes, it does.





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So, it's just one of the things that like, you know, we do, and I really I applaud with what Dan is doing, and those folks the quality rally, and they're doing, like, one of the things airwaves, whether they're television or radio, our public airwaves in and they may be, they're not owned by corporations, they're rented by corporations, and people can have an impact on how that works. And the first time people really took advantage of that was in the 60s, and I think it was either Georgia, Mississippi, when there were racist comments being aired, and the African American community stood up and appeal to the SEC, and that stations license was revoked. And so people, you know, if you do have an opportunity to make an impact, and they are public airwaves, and they're not owned by these companies, or borrowed from us, and so,


 Jimmy Carper 24:28
yeah, so that people forget that. It's public, and


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those kinds of things. What's up with Eminem?


 Jimmy Carper 24:44
I am on a queer music listserv. And they have been screaming about it, actually two of them. One is a queer Hip Hop listserv, and they've been screaming about it now for two weeks


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if I don't No, a lot of his was the only the only reference that I've heard is in one song. And

 Jimmy Carper 25:06
he keeps denying Yeah. Oh no, I have nothing against. When you when you say kill faggots I mean, what does that say?

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Yeah, because I haven't heard those songs. I just heard one song where there was a reference to it wasn't negative, it was just like a reference. And so it's like, so I should probably listen to the album, but it's sort of,

 Jimmy Carper 25:24
yeah, well, you know, the album says one thing and he says another so


 Bobby 25:30
what cracked me up

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about him the only thing that I had heard, the only song I've heard is the one that's, that's out now it's on the charts about it. My concern was like, it came right after obesity reality like statement, but it wasn't like, I was like, you know, it's okay to have an animal if it's if it's okay

to have an antelope. And, you know, what's the problem with gay men eloping or something? And so it was sort of it's a little concerning about the fact that I can't read for the reality saver, but but at the same time, I really didn't. But it was sort of like, well, that table was saying like, good, you know, like, just get over it. It kind of stuff. So I did have it heard the rest of the stuff. And I've been meaning to read the article and advocate and others. There was an article it Yeah. And then there's one in the Houston voice. And so I haven't had the chance to read those. And so I was just wondering, since I'm with I know that Sandy's background and you and your backgrounds that gay

 Jimmy Carper 26:19

hip hoppers around the world are cringing? No. Well, they're, they're boycotting the album. They won't buy it, they will not buy it. And I've read an interview from the Viet the Africa interview, and other people are talking for him. So Oh, yeah, his best friends are you know, that all thing my best friends are gay. Right? And that out the word faggot is not being used at gay people. But as someone who was weak. I'm sorry. But it transfers into gay people.

 Bobby 26:56

And we have a late breaking thing from Greg and Chris.

 Chris 26:59

Actually, I heard about this situation with Eminem. About a year and a half ago. Yeah. Apparently, part of where his anger comes from, is the fact that one of his first record producers was gay. Okay. And Eminem said a few things that wasn't very nice to that. And the producer said, Hey, you're not getting your album until you change some stuff. Okay. And included in the liner, some apologies to the gay community. And he was still a little fed up with that. I remember reading some of the articles at that time. And obviously, I can dig around on the internet and find them again. Okay, that, yeah, well, basically, he was very upset that his music was being held hostage, because somebody wanted him to spout a belief he didn't have. And that could be possibly where some of his stuff is coming from. That's all I meant when I first saw him out there was kind of like, let me get some more information on him and then found out how much of a homophobe he was then. Yeah, that was a little disappointing. Because very, was

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that some men starving for attention? So it's like,

 Jimmy Carper 28:06

well, it's not it's just not homophobia, you know, it's misogyny. And it's



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just way too weird.



Bobby 28:13

You know, I love people like this because they hear him that the gay community is not the only thing he's mouthed off on. He was he was in an interview and he was mouthing off about other bands, how they're, they always repeat the same thing over and over again. And this is from the man and the the song in question. One of the songs that he does he repeats his name 20 some odd times during the course of the song



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to be heard SPM



Bobby 28:54

we're all just sort of hoping he'll fade away quickly.



Jimmy Carper 28:57

Well, Sandy, from from Roma youth outlook. What do you know? Has there been anything in your life?



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Say is like I don't listen to people that just say crap. I mean, if I'm gonna listen to a song is because he has some meaning on it. But it's like he's songs don't do anything to me too. It's like the first thing I'm gonna say is like, don't know.



Jimmy Carper 29:23

So we knock Britney Spears out of first place.



Bobby 29:28


Big tragedy. Oh, well. Well, love you, Brittany.



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I wanted to mention on on on on this, like, totally changing the conversation here is that when


we were in New York, we saw The Laramie Project, which is it speeds it helped me here. It's Matthew, Matthew Shepard, thank you. Anyway. What I liked the most Shabbat it is like they were. They did it using the point of view of the people that were involved in finding Matthew that met Matthew at some point when he was in Laramie. And it was it's really good. I, my roommate, and I had a chance to see it. And I was very impressed with the talent. And with with what that community learn from Matthew, as

 Chris 30:27

we had mentioned about that it was based off of, like 10,000 interviews, they did have residents of Laramie, yes. And getting their reaction just after the the murder murder media circus.

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And they spent about eight months conducting the interviews and ad de edited and they turned it into this play that he was completely, absolutely awesome. I mean, it's like I cried, so much submerge, because I, I was familiar with Matthew's story from his life. It's family point of view what the media told us. But this flay tells the story of Matthew as people saw him, and people saw him as a very positive person, as a young man just flourishing and you know, in his life and to this tragedy, change this down as a whole. And I was really impressed with that to say, we have a lot to be proud of.

 Bobby 31:29

Isn't it sad, though, that all too often? Somebody has to die before people learn something.

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It's always always the way yep. Paul Broussard. Hello.

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And that also, I had to James had I want to mention that rent is coming to town. Yes. I'm Jimmy, Jimmy. I call you James. J. Rent is coming to town. And why is it so wonderful? It's it's wonderful because it has a gay theme. And they deal with AIDS. And, and friendship. And about, it's mainly about this people trying to pay the rent and being evicted. But it's just about these three guys. And there's a one gay guy who plays delete at some point. And you know, they've been bringing the whole group together and teaches them a lesson that you know, to be friends, you have to make sacrifices. And this it's the gay character who died to have a tent in his dead. They all find each other. And it was really impressing and the music. It's just incredible. And it's one of the best shows and Broadway right now. So I hope that if you are gay, go see it because it's just gonna relate to thrill.



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It's coming to town. So definitely buy tickets. Go see.



Jimmy Carper 33:01

Jack Valinski has seen it several times and loves it plays the music a lot on lesbian and gay voices, which, by the way, is on the station Monday nights at 880. Jimmy



Chris 33:16

the week that you were gone. I walked into the studio and I heard rent playing and I go Jackson Jackson.



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Yes, yes. Yeah. And here we



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go. Thanks for listening KPFT after hours, speaking of music and someone from our community divan with when the heartache is over. So you'll see you'll hear from Jimmy and FERS next week and you'll hear from me and Sandy in a month.



Jimmy Carper 33:42

Great take Thanks for Thanks for being here. You've been listening to after hours career radio with attitude on KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station. Coming up is the early morning groove and both of these guys are here. I saw that hot looking DJ Good grief out in the parking lot and there's drool all over the window now. Anyway. And Rob love is here. Yes. And he's flipping through those CDs right now as we speak. We'll see you later. By the way, you've been listening to us on KPFT Houston, and ke O 's College Station.