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## SPEAKERS

Jimmy Carper, Kirk Keevert, Gigi, [Together], Speaker 1

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**J** Jimmy Carper 00:06  
Oh yeah. Ashley McIsaac that was for Thomas the 1960s area.

**K** Kirk Keevert 00:13  
I I'm sorry, I hate to see but who is who is the who's the vocalist on that?


**J** Jimmy Carper 00:17  
Oh, the vocalist is Mary Jane Lemond.


**K** Kirk Keevert 00:24  
Very cool.


**J** Jimmy Carper 00:24  
Yeah, very Ashley does all of the fiddling that you hear he's he's really good. And and, and he can he's got us. Yeah, he's got. Oh,


**K** Kirk Keevert 00:31  
Let me tell you what he could fiddle with, baby.


**J** Jimmy Carper 00:34


 Jimmy Carper 00:38  
He sure could. He's got his own CD. Yeah. How about some queer Christmas music?


 [Together] 00:40  
Fag La la la, la la la la la.


 Jimmy Carper 00:43  
How about I'll Be a Homo for Christmas.


 Kirk Keevert 00:45  
Okay.

 Jimmy Carper 00:46  
So that's a perennial favorite on the Venus envy CD group of four women with that's the name of it. I'll be a Homo For Christmas. And so here's the title track. Yeah, well yeah, that's just for Gigi.

 Kirk Keevert 01:08  
Ah. You know, you know that's getting that's getting airplay on. On on regular commercials straight station.

 Jimmy Carper 01:16  
Actually. This is by Bob Rivers and twisted radio. It's it's a straight group. Oh, well, they do a lot with splaining on fun stuff that you will be hearing on esoteric adventures.

 Gigi 01:28  
And if I hadn't had to work tonight, I probably would've come dressed. Unfortunately, I had to work till nine.

 Speaker 1 01:38  
One of these days you're gonna have to go into work all dressed up.

 Gigi 01:41



Gigi 01:41

Oh, I know, they would have a fit. My last day.



Jimmy Carper 01:48

Okay, I'll leave it with you.



Gigi 01:50

Okay. Well, Michelle. And now you've been having just to get a time out there. Tell me a little bit about what BiNet are like up in San Francisco, you know, I've never actually made a BiNet meeting. No way that didn't make one. Once.



Speaker 1 02:14

Over there's a bunch of like, like here, or that you have just like a group that meets every week. There are there's like a bunch of different groups that meet usually once a month at various different places. Like there's one in Berkeley that meets in a coffee house. And there's another one in San Francisco that also meets in a coffee house, a different coffee house. It tends to be not that big a crowd actually usually tends to be like, you know, 5-10, maybe 20 people. And, you know, especially people get together and talk. I mean, it's usually not even talking about bisexuality. I mean, it's funny because you go to like the but go to bi friendly San Francisco. There's like no one ever mentioned anything about bisexuality. It's like just you know, you just kind of talk about how your life is or you know, just people like kind of socializing. It's not like it's a big deal, I guess.



Gigi 03:07

You mentioned the new bar bi bars opened up there.



Speaker 1 03:11

Yeah, actually, there's a fine dance club, it actually rotates. It's not always at the same bar, but it once a month, and it's it's like the fourth Saturday or something. I can't remember exactly what it is. But it's just the most incredible thing. I remember the first time the first time I went there, it was like, I was in this club. And there's about 90 other bisexual people in the class.



Gigi 03:30

Oh, how cool.



Speaker 1 03:32

I was like, hey, well, you know, like I could It's first time I'd ever been someplace where I felt like, you know, I could approach anybody there and ask them to dance or, you know, whatever.

**G** Gigi 03:41  
Or hold anybody's hand?

**S** Speaker 1 03:42  
Hold hands? Yeah, it was just so incredible. Yeah. And also there is different because there's like, what happens is every month there's like a newsletter that has a list of things happening. And there can be like these groups, there's also like parts and people times people hold parties in their house or like going out to like a movie or bowling or something.

**G** Gigi 04:01  
Tell 'em more about them parties girl.

**S** Speaker 1 04:05  
There's a wide variety of parties, and some of them are actually pretty tame, but some of them are. So they're very wild. I mean, there's there could be like, you know, there's a lot of there's like, various degrees of casual sex or-.

**G** Gigi 04:22  
Yeah, and I know they also had Jack and Jill off social gatherings. Once a month, don't they?

**S** Speaker 1 04:34  
Um, the bi community doesn't. There's certainly a lot of stuff like that that goes on. There are a lot of sex clubs in San Francisco which is something that you just don't really have in Houston.

**G** Gigi 04:46  
Here. It's not legal but in the great state of Texas, but I know that while I remember seeing and I think it was anything that moves that they do have a Jack and Jill off social gathering, periodically, up there. Which, you know where I'd be. What, what other kinds of things? Is there any kind of like, Have you ever had much contact with BABN? What is BABN doing anything?

**S** Speaker 1 05:24

BABN is it's not like you can have contact with BABN. I mean, BABN, there's like nobody that runs BABN. It's like just kind of this-.

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Gigi 05:31

Babin Bay Area, Bisexual Bisexual Network.

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Speaker 1 05:35

It's just like this collection of groups. I mean, there's like, you know, there's like the Berkeley bi friendly group, which is a social group, and there's like, you know, the San Francisco one and there's, like, am one in San Jose and there's like a bi women's group in San Francisco, but there isn't really, there's somebody who like does a newsletter. You know, there's not really anybody who runs BABN it's not really like they do have a voicemail number where they you just they just kind of read off the calendar. But um, yeah, so there really isn't like, it's not really like an I wouldn't call it an organization-.

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Gigi 06:06

Usual bisexual disorganization. But, um, there's anything going on politically in the Bay Area?

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Speaker 1 06:17

Unfortunately, not much. That's one of the-.

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Gigi 06:20

They had a conference not too long ago.

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Speaker 1 06:23

Yeah, they did have there was the Bi USA membership meeting which occurred in San Francisco in August, which is really cool. They had this like on Friday there was this this gathering, and there was this the safer sex life, so you totally have to see. I mean, it's it's worth taking a trip out there to see. And there's just things-.

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Gigi 06:43

Tell about it.

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Speaker 1 06:44

Well it's incredible. There's just all these like little acts somebody did this one I remember the most more than anything else. There was these seven women. This one woman wearing a lot like all these women wearing leather jackets dressed up like bikers came became one of them was like driving a motorcycle drove onto the stage. And they took like this really, all six of these, like really kind of butch women took this like very thin woman and like, strapped her, put her on top of the motorcycle and like, you know, took off our clothes and wrapped her up in latex.

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Gigi 07:13

Oh, wow.

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Speaker 1 07:14

And saran wrap. And, you know, just kind of performed all kinds of various sexual acts on her-.

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Gigi 07:21

All safe sex.

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Speaker 1 07:22

It's all safe.

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Gigi 07:25

And safe sex can be fun. I've seen some Oh, definitely, definitely wonderful, safe sex workshops at some bisexual conferences.

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Speaker 1 07:36

Right. That's basically what this was there is. There's also the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence are just a totally, they're like a total campy-like campy, drag queen, nun kind of thing. And-.

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Gigi 07:48

I've heard about them.

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Speaker 1 07:51

And they did this thing where like, they had the Church of the Holy Condom, where they just kind of passed around like a little offering plate full of condoms, and did this whole, like kind of

kind of passed around like a little offering plate full of condoms, and did this whole, like kind of parody of the, the church, it was great-.

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Gigi 08:02

Cool. But as far as the groups go, you know. And now that there's just kind of this sense of being a part of it all there. The sense of, you know, you can go to any number of meetings and in the community saying, I know that you're telling me that you met some people that I'd ran into several years ago out there. And, you know, but it's a pretty tight community in some ways.

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Speaker 1 08:39

I don't know, I would say if anything, it's actually looser community than out here. Because I mean, over there people being bi it's not it's not something that bonds people together the same way it does here and same thing for being gay. It's like there are so many bi and gay people that it's not enough to bond people together. There has to be you know, something more. And it never there. The other different thing is that like, here, you know, I feel like I have to when I lived here, I felt like I had to go into the gay community or the bi community in order to meet people who are bi or gay. I mean, there definitely would be people who are buying gay other places but they wouldn't be out about it usually. And out there it's like, you know, you just go to a party or you just hang out with people and you hang out you meet people are straight and people are gay and people are bi and you know, just kind of kind of happens and you don't have to go into the bi community to meet bi people. Yeah, so there's lots of people who aren't who are bi who you know, never to have anything to do with the bi community.

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Gigi 09:39

It's pretty cool. I can't wait to get back up there- means- I think we're about to go to some music soon and it's been wonderful having you back to visit us here.

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Speaker 1 10:02

Oh its just been great being back. I haven't come back again some time.

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Gigi 10:08

Yeah. Oh make, it's soon you've been gone too long.

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Speaker 1 10:13

Five months.

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**G** Gigi 10:14  
I know. But yeah, definitely have to be up there soon.

**S** Speaker 1 10:22  
You definitely do. And anybody, anybody who's out I definitely recommend the Bay Area. It's a wonderful place.

**J** Jimmy Carper 10:28  
If you've been to San Francisco once, that's all you need.

**G** Gigi 10:32  
Yeah.

**J** Jimmy Carper 10:32  
You'll go back.

**G** Gigi 10:33  
I know. Right. It's where my my heart's there, baby. It's my kind of town.

**J** Jimmy Carper 10:40  
Yeah.

**K** Kirk Keevert 10:41  
It's not Chicago.

**J** Jimmy Carper 10:42  
It's like a great big, huge Montrose. I think that's the impression I get.

**K** Kirk Keevert 10:50  
Well, that's what you go there looking for.

**J** Jimmy Carper 10:51  
Well, of course.

**G** Gigi 10:52  
Oh. But it's also diverse too.

**J** Jimmy Carper 10:58  
That's that's the whole point. It's the diversity, which is so wonderful.

**G** Gigi 11:02  
And I think the thing I like it's the, you know, it's not opposed diversity. It's all accepting diversity. Yeah. Everybody's accepts that by for who and what they are. I think that's really a cool way of living life.


**J** Jimmy Carper 11:22  
Yeah, why can't it be like that everywhere.


**G** Gigi 11:25  
Yeah. I don't get it.


**J** Jimmy Carper 11:29  
Anyway, thank you, Michelle.


**S** Speaker 1 11:30  
Yeah, it was great being back.

**J** Jimmy Carper 11:33  
We are gonna go to a piece of music UnHell from northwest Houston called a while back and wanted to make a dedication to Bill. The guy we talked to from HATCH. Ah, and I thought that was that was pretty nice. That was pretty nice.


 Gigi 11:48  
So- oh, one thing before we go, I did want to announce BiNet does meet once again, every Wednesday night 7:30 At the Potpie pizzeria.


 Jimmy Carper 11:59  
Yes.


 Gigi 12:00  
Which is located at-.

 Jimmy Carper 12:02  
1525 Westhimer. Yeah, and cheap and cheap.

 Speaker 1 12:10  
I always I got good food when I was a college student.

 Jimmy Carper 12:13  
Yes.


 Speaker 1 12:14  
When I was really poor I went to Potpie definitely.


 Jimmy Carper 12:17  
It's great. And you're live you know, queers, or bisexuals or grandmothers and straight folks and everybody it's a neighborhood restaurant.

 Gigi 12:27  
And almost every waiters know BiNet. And can tell you right where we are.


 Jimmy Carper 12:35

Okay, so UnHell in northwest Houston. Dedication to bill with hatch. This is little song by Garbage called-. Ooh, Rosy Pat and Rosy Night Sounds heard every Sunday night in this time slot.


 Kirk Keevert 12:58  
This very timeslot.

 Jimmy Carper 12:59  
Midnight rocks, actually midnight to five.


 Kirk Keevert 13:02  
Criminy.


 Jimmy Carper 13:03  
I know.

 Kirk Keevert 13:03  
Boy, they got they got to actually work and stuff.

 Jimmy Carper 13:05  
They do have to work it honey. They bring on live stuff. So it's really cool that you're on honey.

 Gigi 13:13  
Alright.

 Jimmy Carper 13:14  
We're gonna talk about what's going on in the community. And I want to start out with talking about the Map, which is a brand new publication well not brand new, and this is issue number three-.

 Kirk Keevert 13:25  
Oh is three out? I thought iust two is out.

J Jimmy Carper 13:27

No. Well, three is out. And if all of these are key pieces, because well, there's a lot of pictures which is cool. And it's also becoming sort of a running history of gay bars. Oh, cool. And groups like they're talking about the Lancer celebrating their 19th anniversary Saturday and and they talk about how much money the Lancers have braised and, and the history of the Lancers. And there's a wonderful article about the Ripcord celebrating its 40th anniversary this Monday.

K Kirk Keevert 14:02

Yeah.

J Jimmy Carper 14:02

And they go back. And in fact, they're asking people who who know more information to contact them because they want to they want to write a history.

K Kirk Keevert 14:13

Cool.

J Jimmy Carper 14:14

Yeah. The other thing and several of the other things in here, they're talking about the NLA Toy Drive, National Leathers Association of Houston Toy Drive. That happens every year and I want to read about this because I want everyone to know out there, what to do, where to go and all of that kind of good stuff. The National Leather Association Houston kick-