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J Jimmy Carper 00:07

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Oh yes, you've

J Jimmy Carper 00:46

tuned into after hours a continuing tradition on KPFT Houston 90.1 FM. The crew of after hours is ready to bring you news, interviews and music geared for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people. Hear it after hours, we may be diverse, but we have one thing in common. We are all out of the closet and urge everyone to come out of their closets. That means standing up for yourself, taking responsibility for your own life and being proud of who you are. Realistically, we know not everyone can do that because of a job or frame of mind. That's okay. We're here for you too. So sit back, relax, and enjoy this week's edition of after our. Hello, Houston. It's Jimmy with after hours on KPFT Houston and KEOS College Station. Bryan and with me tonight is

G Gigi 02:20

Michelle and TJ from by Nance.

J Jimmy Carper 02:23

Right? This is bisexual night? Yes. With some other things thrown in. Mm hmm. What have you got going for us tonight?

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Gigi 02:35

Well, tonight we're gonna take a look at women's issues. Yeah. The Women's scene. The lack there. I

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Jimmy Carper 02:44

mean, when you mean lesbian, lesbian women or or bisexual women or straight man women are what?

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Gigi 02:51

lesbian and bisexual woman Okay,

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Michelle 02:53

talk about like the lack of women's bars in Houston and why that is okay. Definitely trying to find a way to get more.

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Jimmy Carper 03:01

did not hear of a new one opening up somewhere. Maybe not? I don't know. And there's things other than bars for women.

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Gigi 03:12

There's soccer teams. There's some

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Jimmy Carper 03:16

there's a rugby team by now. Yeah,

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Gigi 03:17

right. There's a few things but I mean, on the whole Yeah. It seems Houston's lacking for the women saying okay, we'll discuss that in greater length. And we're also going to talk a little bit about just women's issues, bicycle. Bisexual women's issues in particular. Okay, what it's like to be bisexual and female and the what what you're up against?

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Jimmy Carper 03:47

Are you going to talk about it? Are we going to have actual bisexual women talking?

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Gigi 03:51

We'll have some bisexual women here talking about a

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Jimmy Carper 03:55

real live bisexual woman now. Okay. We also have interview with Q patrol coming up and James with a new group. We'll be talking about that. All right, okay. Okay. And you've got some guests coming up later.

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Michelle 04:14

Oh, yeah, we have some women. We're gonna talk about bisexual women's issues.

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Jimmy Carper 04:17

Okay, okay. In the meantime, let's go to a piece of music. While we get all settled in and better coordinated here. I was reading a review of the new cheapness and beauty album by Boy George. And I was surprised to hear that the first song that was coming out as a single is called same thing and reversed which is openly gay song talking about being gay. I thought that was a pretty neat thing I saw

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Michelle 04:48

Boy George on I was watching Oprah and they were doing a show on bisexuality and Boy George was on there for some reason I didn't really

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Jimmy Carper 04:55

Yeah. Why was he on bisexual? Well, he

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Michelle 04:58

was saying like he doesn't like to do find himself but he's only attracted to men and I don't. I didn't know that why he was there. I just it just kind of seemed like that she just wanted to bring in boy Jordans. Just to bring in boy John. Okay.

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Jimmy Carper 05:00



Jimmy Carper 06:03

Hey, whatever, what the heck? What the heck is right? So let's go to that that first single off of his new album. You've heard it here last couple of weeks because it's it's the song I picked as the best song from the album and that's why I was really surprised because it's such an openly gay song, but in any in any event Boy George, same thing in reverse. Same thing in reverse Boy George, give us a call at 5265738 and let us know what you think about this Or to request any other career music. On after hours career radio with attitude. I'm Jimmy Carper. And with me is Glenn Holt. Q patrol. That's right. You are a VP our big muckety muck.



Glenn Holt 06:04

That's right. I am the president of the thing.



Jimmy Carper 06:07

Well, you look like you are in charge. Well, yeah,



Glenn Holt 06:11

tonight I'm wearing leather. But yeah, I'm going to keep doing the nasty thing later on. Because I did threaten to come in here naked one night. I



Jimmy Carper 06:19

know. I know. We're all waiting patiently. And I have almost done it tonight. I'm sure I know. It's like the you know those bicycle shorts, folks, you know, and he's got these on and and and we're supposed to just sit here and be good.



Glenn Holt 06:34

A leather harness. Yeah, man. Yes. Yes. And spike it thing on your? Yes. And so Jim is sitting over there.



Jimmy Carper 06:41

Yeah, I know. It's nervous.



Glenn Holt 06:45

You'd be surprised but people asked me if I could do for them with this thing on Wow. gerbil.



Jimmy Carper 06:52

J Jimmy Carper 06:53

Oh, it's a wrist thing with with spikes coming out.

G Glenn Holt 06:56

That's right. That's right. Oh, well, anyway, but Q Patrol. But yeah,

J Jimmy Carper 06:59

do patrols. Were talking about

G Glenn Holt 07:03

patrolling last night. Yeah. That was fun. That's right. We have been so effective in patrolling our streets out there that we had a very quiet night.

J Jimmy Carper 07:10

It was boring. And I'm happy to say that it was boring. Our heads

G Glenn Holt 07:14

were caving in with boredom. Anyway, tonight, we ended up we ended up with was a strange situation because we had we had people coming out for for patrol. But then, of course, one of the things we have to have a mobile unit here, but everybody that came up for patrols and their vehicles were so decrepit. Able to feel them. Ah, but anyway, so yeah, we of course, as always, you know, I'm here to tell you that we always need more people participating with Q patrol.

J Jimmy Carper 07:49

You mean you don't have 1000s of dollars, you can buy your own vehicles.

G Glenn Holt 07:52

I wish. I think it would be really cute for q patrol to be out there and like golf cards or something. Yeah. But no, we run on the slimmest of shoestring budgets, believe me. Yeah. And so

J Jimmy Carper 08:06

and you depend on volunteers and their cars.

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Glenn Holt 08:09

That's right. And their cars. And we also depend on those dollars coming in from our benefactors. That is not the right word. beneficent? No benefactor. benefactors. You are the beneficiary? That's right. Yes. Right. Yeah. Almost sounds like death or something. Visionary, but yes. Anyway. So I wanted to point out that Amanda had some people tell me that, oh, well, I can't come out that late at night, or I can't spare the time. Whatever. I can go out to the bars, though. Oh, yeah. No, but oh, sorry. Yeah. We do have places in the patrol for people who want to volunteer some time, just a community involvement, that sort of thing. We have stuff going on during the day we on the weekends. We're trying to get some recruitment and fundraising activities going Oh, yeah. On the weekends during the day. So we have room there for people who want to get involved during the day. People who who don't turn into don't turn to dust when the sun shines.

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Jimmy Carper 09:11

I have I have a lever like that. Yeah.

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Glenn Holt 09:13

And also, of course, we have other things that need done clerical work, computer work, that sort of thing that anybody can do at any time. In fact, these badges there's one example of something, you know, I mean, this is something that I do, but I mean, it's, it's, it's a little job that sort of time consuming, but it needs to be done. And we definitely have an opening for somebody, you know, want to help out there. And what I'm talking about here is I'm holding in my hand, a laminated badge. It's it's color on the front on the back. And there's a photo here of the patrol volunteers. And we have green ID badges with our logo on it for volunteer and red ones for the Patrol Leaders. Oh, okay. And basically, this is just it's got your name on it here. so that we know who you are. So I don't understand it like it's no What was his name again? Yeah,

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Jimmy Carper 10:03

I know that can be embarrassing, especially when you met them two weeks ago, and then you can't remember who they are. And that's right. Yeah.

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Glenn Holt 10:10

Actually, this, you know, there's a disclaimer on the back the usual legalese that says that it's not for any official purpose. Ah, however, it does seem to help him in certain situations, you know, as well as the q patrol t shirt, t

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Jimmy Carper 10:22

shirt really helps. But sometimes, you know, you didn't get to do your wash that week. And so you don't have you know, it's not clean and you have to wear something else. So you do need this ID and Gemini, Jim Vaughn and I have been involved in q patrol now for about two months. That's right. And you're telling me that okay, tonight we get the official IDs. Yes.

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Glenn Holt 10:45

We finally get nobody else that I've got pictures of has not done yet. So the really the place the printers that I went to, you know, I used to go there at midnight and use their hot laminator. But their laminator broke and it's a long story, but we got so hot. That's right. We need help in clerical areas to build. So that was the pitch for for Jim and Jim. Hey, two thirds of the three. Neil

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Jimmy Carper 11:15

want me to nail again? Oh, no. Every time you come here, you want me to nail I don't quite understand it.

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Glenn Holt 11:21

No, I'm actually I'm just going to hand you your badge because you have headphones on. And you know, if I tried to put this badge on over your headphones, it would get tangled up on the microphone. Probably we know you'd have sparks flying out between your glasses

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Jimmy Carper 11:33

again. Yes. Whoa, that's it's a tight either you have a big head or it's a tight fit.

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Glenn Holt 11:40

And of course, now the lanyard that holds the, the the ID badge on your around your neck and on your chest like this. You're supposed to get a whistle to go on here. Oh, like,

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Jimmy Carper 11:53

hey, that doesn't kind of that's a cool whistle.

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Glenn Holt 11:56

Yeah, well, in fact, I mean, if we, if we weren't on the air, I could blow it a lot louder. But you know, having having a background in engineering, I know. The poor radio

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Jimmy Carper 12:07

into the red. That means probably sitting at home right now. My poor transmitter. But we have enough problems here. So that to me, and a lovely picture. It is

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Glenn Holt 12:22

isn't it? That was that Polaroid perfection.

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Jimmy Carper 12:25

Oh, that's me. Gosh, can I get off my knees now?

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Glenn Holt 12:29

Oh, yeah. Oh. Wow. Okay, why there's indentations on the floor here. I wondered about

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Jimmy Carper 12:45

what this wet spot is?

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Glenn Holt 12:48

No, that's where my cat

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Jimmy Carper 12:49

came. Oh, okay.

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Well,

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Glenn Holt 12:56

anyway, we were talking about Q patrol. So let me let me let me throw out the number one more try. Yes. 8718519. And yes, it actually does work. Now. There was a week's there, we had technical problems. It's great.

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Jimmy Carper 13:07

8718519.

 Glenn Holt 13:12

And if you want to volunteer your time, or volunteer to give us money, or both, you know, we desperately need both.

 Jimmy Carper 13:18

And I saw that financial statement. Yes, either one

 Glenn Holt 13:21

or both? And I'd like to say that, that we know that that you all out there are depending on us. And we in turn are depending on Yeah. So please, please support us as best you can. Because the number and say you want to help?

 Jimmy Carper 13:35

Yeah. Because, you know, working at last night, we were driving around and you know, kind of, especially the areas where people park you know, closer to two o'clock. And there's a lot of people by themselves walking to their cars. And and I'm thinking, you know, I think it's a good thing that we're here. That's right. You never can tell.

 Glenn Holt 13:57

And even though we didn't log any incidents last night, I do hear through the grapevine from people who say that, Oh, I'm so glad that q patrol was there because something was just about to happen. And then to patrol just happen to drive by. Yeah, I'm sorry. See, we've ever known knowing it. Yeah, right. Yeah. And so when we see somebody out walking alone, if we happen to be there, and we see somebody walking alone, we'll kind of tail him a little bit and make sure he gets to where he's going to or she

 Jimmy Carper 14:22

or she or that or it or you know,

 Glenn Holt 14:25

we saw, we saw lots of cats.

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Jimmy Carper 14:27

We saw lots of cats. No, but that's the thing. And maybe it's the outside forces know that we're there on Friday and Saturday nights. And so it's safe. It may be even safer on those nights. But, you know, we don't want to not be able to do a Friday and Saturday night because of whatever reason.

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Glenn Holt 14:47

That's right. And we do want to be able to do Thursday and Wednesday. We would love to be able to do seven days a week. And there are some people who work on weekends or whose work environment is incompatible with coming out on a Friday or Saturday night. So there are places for you.

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Jimmy Carper 15:00

That's right. That's right. People who can't do Friday and Saturday, you know, could do a Sunday or could do or write a check. That's right.

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Glenn Holt 15:11

Now if you if you forget the number, it's always listed in the back of the twit.

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Jimmy Carper 15:15

Or you can call the switchboard at 5293211.

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Glenn Holt 15:20

Call Jimmy up at home and there you go. No.

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Jimmy Carper 15:26

That's all I need. Okay, well, Glenn, thanks for coming by.

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Glenn Holt 15:32

Oh, always a pleasure.

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Jimmy Carper 15:33

I really enjoy coming in you coming in and you know, talking about q patrol, because it's one of

the most important groups we have going on right now. Thank you. Yeah.

G Glenn Holt 15:44

I mean, it saves lives. And it's,

J Jimmy Carper 15:48

it's easy for us to sit here and laugh and joke, but it's very important. It saves lives. Right. And that's the bottom line, the bottom line. Okay. Now we're gonna go to another piece of music. Before I bring James app. And this is a brand new artists, Russ McCoy. I played him a couple of times. He's got a brand new CD out. It's good stuff. And I'm going to play I've been playing God's ear, but I'm going to play another one for you this week. And if I could,

G Glenn Holt 16:20

he says as he flips through the

J Jimmy Carper 16:22

liner notes, I know because I can't read the damn thing. When you get old what's number three? Say? You read that? Well,

G Glenn Holt 16:31

I didn't bring my glasses.

J Jimmy Carper 16:32

So see it's not just me.

G Glenn Holt 16:35

It's called but it's highlighted in the same color that is printed is about the problem is it looks like Bacchus actually,

J Jimmy Carper 16:40

actually it's called basher basher? Okay, yes. And that's, that's why I chose it because it goes in with Q patrol. It's about a problem in the community. Russ McCoy, and basher. Russ McCoy with basher and you're hearing it on after hours queer radio with attitude right here on KPFT

Houston and ke O 's College Station Brian. I'm Jimmy Carper. And with me is James. Hello. Once you get closer to the mic there, okay, believe it's, yeah, just get it real close to your mouth. get me in trouble. You're here because you're starting a new group.



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Yes, I've been in process now for a couple of months and we're finally getting it off the ground. Abell queer, we're queer AQ. We are a support group for lesbians, Transgender, Bisexual and gay persons with mental and physical disability. Basically, from a lot of people that I've talked to a lot of support groups and that people have a tendency of when we go out to the clubs, and that they have a tendency to back away like were contagious or something.



J Jimmy Carper 18:03

Okay, you're in a wheelchair. Okay, that's that. Is that where you're talking about people in wheelchairs? Who don't know how to ask? Yeah, you're right. You're right. And I may ask you some questions that I may ask you some questions that may or may make you feel uncomfortable, but maybe it's because I need to know and maybe I need to know how to ask questions



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that how's that? That's the reason for the group so that questions can get answered. And we can break down the barriers that do exist between some people. I'm not saying everyone is this way. But from what I can see as a community, and we should be more accepting than aka the general public. And discriminate among ourselves. Oh, and it's like, get over it, girls. Oh,



J Jimmy Carper 18:53

I know it. I know who you are. You have one leg? Yeah. Okay. Can I ask how why?



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I'm looking. I'm from congenital birth defect. Back in the late 50s, early 60s, there was a drug called minimize, so let them try to minimize that was you okay. It's much like what Motrin is today. Women were given it, given it to help ease the morning sickness pains. And this is back before the Food and Drug Administration made everybody test everything Ah, now you know why it takes a long time this. This is actually the familiar My case is actually the reason that it takes so long now for any drug to get onto the market. I remember that and that this, that the permit in my case is what actually changed all the laws, because before then anybody could put a drug out.



J Jimmy Carper 19:48

Okay. I just asked you about why you have one leg, is that an acceptable thing? Yeah. Sometimes abled per April Well, people without any physical disabilities feel funny, asking, you know, like, how come? A lot of you have one on my arm? How come you have one leg?

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Okay. And, in my case, I'm going to answer that question before I go into the it's a birth defect. As the saying goes, stuff happens.

J Jimmy Carper 20:22

I don't know why, why that is that, that people like me, or general population feels that they need to know.

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Not everybody feels that they need to know some people do some people don't. In my case, and that because of where I work, I work retail, I have to not say where I work. Yeah, but I get a lot of people that and that a lot of people asked me point blank, why happened. And the thing is, because it's younger people, and that I've observed a lot of it with the parent, and that a child will come up, they'll ask, and all of a sudden, you see this parent wanting to backhand this child? Yeah, like, Oh, don't ask, don't ask. And it's like, my attitude is how's the child going to learn? That's where the ignorance is now? Because that's how we grew up. Yeah. Well, we're afraid afraid to hurt your feelings, or hurt anybody's feelings. Wake up and smell the coffee, we're human. Nine times out of 10 a person don't mind being asked. And that one time out of 10 There's usually ways of telling that they are not the type of person that just in their general demeanor, you wouldn't even want to ask that type of person for the time of day. Yeah. Okay. Okay. And that the only people that I find that don't want to answer that question, are the ones wallowing in their own self pity?

J Jimmy Carper 21:54

What about that? I've known I've known you for quite a while and I mean, I see you out on the streets, you know, that chair, go on the mile, and then you go to the clubs, you know, you go from club to club, it doesn't seem like you let anything stop you

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that that's the reason I use the term abled, because everybody says it's a disability, a disability. The thing is, your disability is only what you make it. It's an if you don't exist, you can do anything. There you go. And you can do anything that you want to do as long as you don't let the disability stand in your way.

J Jimmy Carper 22:34

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And you don't seem to let anything stand in your way. Oh, because I've seen you in shows. Do you do Elton John,



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I do out and John. I used to do Patsy Cline. Actually, I'm wondering, well, I've actually been ridiculed by my own people. This is something else, my own people yet. The general gay population has ridiculed me. And I don't see what their problem is. I do Patsy Cline, I Fall to Pieces, my artificial limb will fall off on stage. I have people saying that I'm making fun of the disabled. It's like, Excuse me, I am one if you cannot make fun of yourself. Who can you make fun of?



Jimmy Carper 23:16

That's right. I think maybe it's because we're in it. We're supposed to we're we're ingrained with this. You're not supposed to make fun. You're not supposed to ask questions, you know, look the other way. But but in in doing all of that. We shut our we shut our doors to other people.



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Exactly. And we close them off. And yeah, that and that not not when we're no better than anyone else. I'm not saying that in any way, shape, or form. But we can be real nice people. Once you get to know us. And my experiences are, I'll go into a bar. And that here in Houston, I can go into any gay bar and I'll have one or two people that are talking to me. Everybody else is backing away from me like I had the plague. Being disabled, they're going to all of a sudden wake up in the morning and have one leg.



Jimmy Carper 24:11

Yeah. What about the other side of the coin? And it's like weird people who like, want to have sex with you because you have one like, there's a lot of those. And it's just nice to know, hey, this, this is the person talking about it.



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And I can remember and that I'm 30 years old I used to have so I don't hide and in my past, one of the things is I had a guy that used to pay to do nothing but push me around in a wheelchair in the middle of the Galleria, nothing but talk about it's like and they call me disabled. Something tells me that he's a little bit disabled. upstairs Yeah, it's just that you can't see his disability. The thing is we are all disabled. In 108, or five eighths, and I mean, that is a disability, but it's not a noticeable disability,

J Jimmy Carper 25:07

not until it's right. Yeah, until I start losing weight or get KS or something like that.

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And no one knows until then. Yeah. And in my case, my disability is obvious. It's like, you can hide it only so far, someone that has a mental disability, you have different degrees of the mental disability, where one of the things that we're working with in the group is relationships, someone that's mentally disabled, prime example, bipolar disorder, or manic depression cases, they can go six months, a year, two years, live a normal life, and all of a sudden, because of the medication problem, their mood swing, and they become suicidal, or they try to kill themselves. The it's bipolar disorder is a disease. And the thing is, it's not something that can be helped. And that without medication with medication, you're fine. Yeah. But the thing is, okay, you're in a relationship, it's going great. All of a sudden, this person has a bipolar attack, where they start mood swinging, all of a sudden, the other half the relationship says, This is too weird for me. Time for me to run.

J Jimmy Carper 26:20

Yeah, I can understand that. Yeah, it's office. And this is a different person,

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with the purpose with the purpose of this group. And we are trying to say, okay, instead of running, let's get together. And that, I understand that you have concerns. But this person also has concerns. Let's not throw the relationship away. Let's try to keep the relationships going.

J Jimmy Carper 26:44

Yeah. Now, I've seen other differently abled people about town, I've, you know, there's a there's a guy that I've seen in the wheelchair at the tubs that I mean, I haven't been to the tubs in a year or so. But I mean, Stan Lee, I haven't been there in a long time, Han. But there are people who don't let anything, stop them, and go on with life and have fun.

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The thing is, life is what you make. It's like, it's already short enough to tell me and that AIDS is even cut in shorter for us. And so it's like, let's all just have fun.

J Jimmy Carper 27:23

So tell me about your group. What's, what's the idea? And how are you going about getting it started?



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Basically, right now, where we have membership, Houston is actually the home base for we now have most of it being done by computers. The computers is a major in for information highway now. Well,



J Jimmy Carper 27:45

not only that, but I'll bet. queers who are like at home, are afraid to get out,



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can't get out, don't want to get out



J Jimmy Carper 27:55

can communicate a lot easier that way.



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And the thing is the support, it's easier to access data. And that was one of the things that we're working on. I'm working with city by city, I've got letters out all over the place. I've actually got five cities that have responded via bulletin board operators that are going to keep me posted on every 30 day give me a listing what clubs have shut down, what clubs are open, what support groups are there, what gay and lesbian switchboards are there? The whole nine yards? Right, right. And that also at the same time, say, okay, the city has lousy paratransit transportation. Yeah, but this one's got decent territory. And that way, we can also plan our lives out somewhat. So we can go out to San Francisco or we can go to San Francisco, I just been made aware of this week has one of the bare best paratransit systems in the country. I'm no kidding.



J Jimmy Carper 28:52

And that's not an easy town to get around, even if that's not an easy count, because of the hills and all of



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that. But San Francisco's got one of the top 10 paratransit systems in the country. Wow. Cool. Needless to say, who's at the bottom of that? I don't know who Houston are. We were within the top five or worst. And now everybody leaves on

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Jimmy Carper 29:18

the buses and all that well, yeah, you see these little things on the you know, people are doing their the city is putting these old things at the corners of you know, see, but that that really doesn't help much doesn't interesting. Speak in the mic there.

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Gigi 29:35

He's a lot of money. Metro gets a lot of money from Houston. And who knows where it goes. It's not going to help people with disabilities get

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around. Yeah. Now they spend roughly \$60,000 to \$75,000 per lift is the figures that were given to me at the last metro relay meeting between the paratransit Meet the disability, meaning groups, you want to put it there saying that they spend \$75,000 per lift. If they spend that, then I'd like to know who's pocketing out of that. That's a lot of money out of the list, I, I take a bus back and forth everyday to work. Yeah, out of that I'm late for work at least three times a week are late coming home three times a week, because of a stupid lift breaking down, they spent that much money, they ain't gonna break down or other. And also, my other problem is, why are they the city, and that using Metro money to put I understand the importance of putting police on the street? I'm not arguing that. But let us not cut into the Metro money, where in turn, they're cutting into the disabled money because they're robbing Peter to pay Paul here.

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Jimmy Carper 30:53

Okay, I don't I don't want to get into specific things. I want to get pretty general here. Because you're just forming this group. Did you ever think that maybe this group is might not? Well, in addition to maybe regular meetings, you might be doing a lot of the work by computer to people who can't get out.

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A lot of its going to be by computer. There's another group, it's already an international group, but we're getting ready. I'm going to be a member of it. I'm not on the board of it. We're actually getting ready to start a digital queer of Houston. Ah, so digital queers is actually getting ready to come into the picture very shortly. Right, right now what we're trying to do is get everybody, if you have an old PC sitting around, if you have an old modem sitting around, you want to get rid of it. We're not nonprofit yet. And that everything is still pending, because we are so new, because of the paperwork and everything. We need your computers and the goal is to take those computers and let the people that are forming digital cuir do any kind of maintenance on them. And let's get them back out to people that are shut in. They got a Ford computer lately, and a lot of them are PW A's. Yeah. And PW a lot of people don't realize that

when they see someone that's disabled. AIDS is a disability under the Americans with disabilities that right when I would say at least half my membership is coming out of the PWA bet area. I'll

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Jimmy Carper 32:27

bet I'll bet to yet. The specific. The specific definition is when your T cell count falls below 200. Mine did that in December. Fortunately, I have not had any major disease yet. But still, I'm technically disabled.

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And the thing is, it's not noticeable, right? And that's what gets me within the community.

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Jimmy Carper 32:54

I have to tell people that I have a it's because nobody knows me. I

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have a disability. And it's like, what eight? Yeah, it's like,

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Jimmy Carper 33:01

but this is what it looks like, when you look at me that that's that's half the

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community has everybody's running around, no one knows yet. Because mines notice both they want to run.

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Jimmy Carper 33:13

That's that. That's the point. That's where it's not fair. And

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the thing is, we are really nice people, we have a lot to give to the community. And the thing is, again, by forming the group, we want to open people's eyes. We basically the main goal is not only opened the door for ourselves, but the goal is even more than that, more importantly than

that, and that bringing the community as a whole together. There is so much backbiting within the gay community, women. Women Against a man,

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Jimmy Carper 33:52

we can't agree on anything for more than a minute.

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And the thing is more important than anything is bringing the community together. Yeah, we are dangerous as a community united, we can actually get something done. But as a community split, we're in trouble. Right? And I hate to say it, and that, and Glenn Forgive me here, but I hate to see it taking something such as a Paul Broussard murder, to bring the community together. Because Q patrol is an example where the community said we need to come together. Everybody put their differences aside. And it works. It works. But when it comes to shirt designs, we're ready to kill each other.

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Jimmy Carper 34:39

Yeah, but and the Oh, that's right. And the other thing of it is, is that how long has it been since Paul Paul Broussard was killed a long time and now q patrol is in financial problems and you know and, and, and people problems so it's you what it would take for Houston to get behind Cuba troll again is another murder. And that's really sad.

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I hate to see that happen. It's like,

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Jimmy Carper 35:09

let's get real. Yeah,

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who wants to be the next person to die?

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Jimmy Carper 35:13

Now? We're going off on tangents again. So tell me about a book where and how does how does somebody get involved in the group and any particular



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okay? Any this group is open to anyone that transgender, bisexual, gay, lesbian, even gay friendly as long as you leave and that you can even come in as as long as you're even if you're straight, as long as you leave your hatred at the door so to speak. Right now, for security reasons we are using a voicemail system. Okay, we've already got crank calls.



J Jimmy Carper 35:50

No kidding.



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You'd be surprised for other. Right now we're at 5240781 extension 10 5240781 extension 10. We can also be reached at peal box 66 7015 Houston 77266. Again, it's pillbox 667015077266. And we do need any old computers that we you have with anyone that's out there that's listening tonight. If you have a disability, mental physical aids, whatever it may be, if you're someone that cares for a person with one of these problems, and you need a dumping ground, call us. We're there for you. We're in the process. I was working talking to Bill over at gay and lesbian switchboard. And now I've been talking with



J Jimmy Carper 36:54

you. You were talking to the president now you're talking to the treasurer. Okay.



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A week. Basically, the information will be relayed to the gay and low back switchboard. If you don't get this number tonight call them. They'll give you the information. They will also be given the alternative numbers for an emergency page out. We are setting up a crisis intervention service. Good and good. Baylor's actually, a few of their students are getting involved as on a student level, not on a school level, which kind of wish they would. But



J Jimmy Carper 37:32

first things first. Oh, yeah,



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we're a baby group. It takes time.



J Jimmy Carper 37:36

Yeah, yeah. I know. Oh, Gigi has a question. Ask

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Gigi 37:40

a question. Have you noticed the suicide rate is high among gay men? Is it higher for people, gay men with or lesbians with disabilities?

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I would say right now, there is no actual study that's been done. And that, but from private individual figures, our suicide rate is as high as a teenage gay or lesbian person suicide rate.

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Jimmy Carper 38:10

That's pretty damn high. And the thing is, it's like three times higher than the national average.

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And now that's not based on our official study that's based on talking to people such as doctors, a lot of the students that I've been dealing with. And, and the thing is, again, it's a situation we don't need our young people killing themselves. We don't need people with disabilities killing themselves.

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Jimmy Carper 38:39

Great. Thanks for coming. I appreciate and hey, anytime, any, you, you can you have a forum here anytime? Because I've known you for a long time and you stick to

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it. Yeah. The my like I said, the goal is more than anything bringing the community together. Yeah. And this, I hoped and prayed. And I use that word pray loosely. Oh, yeah. And that, that this does actually help to bring the community together without someone having to die to do it.

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Jimmy Carper 39:11

No kidding. No kidding. Able queer. If you miss those numbers, Roy will have them or the gay and lesbian switchboard at five to 930 to 11. Now let's say Alex with energy is in the lobby waiting to talk to you about a concert going on there. That sounds pretty good. We'll be back right after this by Holly Johnson. It's legendary children, all of them queer