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SPEAKERS

Chris Harrison, Bobby, Jimmy Carper, Roy McCarthy



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was made as a San Francisco gay pride as a corporate sellout due to allowing large businesses to sponsor events, floats and merchandise the gay image. And then what goes on smiley goes on to add to it. What is this bad? They complained about diesel and Pottery Barn setting up shops. And what? Ghetto? There's opinions like that.



Chris Harrison 00:24

The simple the simple fact is this. Yeah, there is, there is corporatization in a lot of the pride parades, you know, even here in Houston, you know, we have to admit it, you know, I mean, everything you're gonna see, he's gonna say Id lube on it.



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I was more of



Bobby 00:39

that having been said you if there was a time when you couldn't buy a corporate sponsor for anything.



Chris Harrison 00:47

And the fact is this, you know, the purse brings the purse strings are a lot tighter now. And we can't wait. We're having trouble in this community, paying for day to day HIV assistance, living, you know, for testing for education, the day to day things in this community that need our support, we're having trouble getting money together,



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harm of taking some really large corporate, none with corporations and turning them into good corporate citizens by helping the gay community with some of our more altruistic causes.



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I agree with that. But like, this is sort of out of the gay community. But I remember the first time I went back to San Francisco and there was a gap on the corner of Haight and Ashbury, and I knew something was definitely wrong over there was



Roy McCarthy 01:39

a hippie movement. And



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it's a kind of nostalgia thing. And they're like, there is the thing of being realistic to fun, really good programs from corporates. But



Chris Harrison 01:48

there's another problem we, you know, the station has has issues and talks about that it was corporatization of that, because what happens is this, if I'm big company, and I'm putting out this thing, you know, it's there, if I'm controlling a \$50,000, check, or even a \$5,000, check on some of these events, then, you know, when I sit there and say, you know, I really didn't like that, you know, I didn't like the fact that the guys on the Rich's float, they were their shorts too tight. And then all of a sudden, you know, if I want to keep that money coming in, I may have to change what I do, right to do that. And that's where some of the fear comes in, and when you allow the corporatization because you get that in, in the media, and it's parked there, you know, do you




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think just using intelligence in approaching any of this stuff and making choices? You know,



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well, yeah. And that's a risk that you run when you're taking corporate sponsorship is that you may have to play into what they find acceptable in order to get their money, they just have to decide whether or not you want to play into the acceptability or find another cash cow.

 Chris Harrison 02:47

Yeah. And that's part of the thing. There is a lot of people who talk about the commercialization and you know, the, the cleaning up of the different pride parades, the fact that you know, it's not this skin flick that on wheels, that was out in Gore 90s.

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So the time today,

 Bobby 03:08


maybe it's just me, but I think that if business, large corporations or whatever are going to, you know, play in our community, then they ought to play by our rules. If they want to put their money into us, they should accept what they're what they're getting into, from from the get go. It's

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their money. So they have that choice. Well, it's a golden rule, who has the

 Chris Harrison 03:32

gold rules? Right, exactly. Very good examples of people who are in the know, here, you know, there was one company that you know, was very good contributor and did a very nice job helping promote and fund a good chunk of a couple of pride parades. They brought out some people to be in one of the pride parades, who weren't in any shape to be operating a float, let alone being on a float. And we're told they could not participate that year. And you know, them they and their checkbook walk and you know, we still have the parade.

 Bobby 04:02

Yeah. Well, you remember, what's really sad is I still have one of those sample bottles of ID loop.

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When you remember four years ago, you remember too, that they they'd like this is before the fact sort of, but when Coors Brewery and the chorus Corporation was so awful, and Harvey Milk single handedly got San Francisco bars and a lot of others to, to quit selling it and they felt the pressure they changed their policies in terms of, you know, different benefits and everything. So I mean, we do have some say we're not just so desperate that we have to accept anything



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No, and we do pull it put a lot of money into the economy and into these corporations as well.



Chris Harrison 04:47

Okay, yeah. likes it. Yeah, smiley. Smiley always had some good points on that. And a lot of it was taking over talking about one of the letters from another one of the MBBS. So let's



Roy McCarthy 04:58

okay, this big one. Right, I have a letter here from Tigger. And he has historical questions, one of which you already answered concerning the go gay almanac. And no, it is not a huge publication is not a huge, physically huge book. Now it says because the space is very limited, and I imagined it is let me put it this



Chris Harrison 05:19

way. It's probably about it's about the same length and width, but not as thick as what you would get if a Bible is a good way to describe somebody in there. But you know what, it's a little more valuable, and it's a lot more truth.



Roy McCarthy 05:35

At any rate, he also has some comments concerning the show that we did last week or a week or two ago regarding the Holocaust. And he was surprised to learn that the Jews had to wear the moment to stop David with the words you want. And he has some interesting questions and a lot of erroneous information concerning the triangles. Okay, the triangles were color coded. For Reason. Pink was for gay men. Lesbians had a black triangle, the lavender triangle that he was thinking that winter, lesbians lavender triangle were for Jehovah witnesses. If you are a repeat offender of homosexuality, I don't know how being in a concentration camp you can be a repeat offender



Bobby 06:28

they really had their hate categorized here. If



Roy McCarthy 06:30

you are a repeat offender, you had a pink bar over the top of the triangle. And the triangle was worn with the pointy end of the triangle facing downward. And so pretty much that's




 Jimmy Carper 06:48

pretty much be a little confused is that there are several different symbols for bisexuality. One includes a blue triangle and a pink triangle that are intersecting and the way they intersect creates another triangle that is lavender. Also,

 Roy McCarthy 07:06


if you're a Jewish, homosexual, you had a yellow triangle. And back of a pink tie, a yellow triangle was in the front with a yellow triangle to the back and that then they know you're a Jewish you are doubly and

 Chris Harrison 07:23

the yellow triangle pointed upwards. And so it formed it formed a Star of David but the yellow triangle pointed off and then your sub your sub sect of your criminality. Yeah. So in some of the cases the I'm not sure if it was widespread, but there are some reports that you know, the stars a David that were worn by the Jews, said June to ju D which is German for two. As far as putting the numbers I don't I've haven't heard anything with numbers being in the star or the triangle. Usually it was tattoo, it was tattooed.

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I don't I don't think they wireless. Let's face it. They were kind of they were kind of thrifty, and you know, but they were also reused a uniform, so they weren't gonna number. They were also really obsessive about keeping records. They were technicians above all, even while they were doing this sort of grotesque thing. And they kept these unbelievably meticulous records about all the camp camp camp stuff, which is one reason why we can know how horrendous it was.

 Bobby 08:26

And boy, I bet they wish they hadn't. When it was all winning the war

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they tried to destroy it. I tried to destroy some of as the deliberation was happening, they were they tried to destroy

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essentially, it all boils down to sex and violence. Also,

 Roy McCarthy 08:40

Chris, Tigger wants to say that he's sorry that you've had a bad turn of events at the at your job wise. And he wants to let you know that he is still open for he's still like to do that interview, if

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Chris Harrison 08:55

I really do and that's the bad part of announcing it and then trying to get people interested in there. But unfortunately, we're all volunteers here and with the fact that I am now one of the unemployed it's a little it's a little difficult getting out and about to the Huntsville into the love Lady and to all the other places where MBBS are and hopefully we're gonna get that thing taken care of here soon so that I can get out there and meet our MBBS. And, you know, we want to we want to let them know that we're there. They're a part of the show and we got special plans for doing that. And we definitely want to have that on and I

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Roy McCarthy 09:36

do want to apologize to all our listeners that I was not here last week. I was doing double duty at my job. I had to stay

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Jimmy Carper 09:46

we told everyone oh you did? Yeah, of course. Or anything else.

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Roy McCarthy 09:50

No, that's pretty much okay.

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Bobby 09:56

I guess what we got here is a we have a letter from Ma'am, bro Helio which

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Chris Harrison 10:02

is a new writer to writer

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Bobby 10:04

strike welcome welcome welcome


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Jimmy Carper 10:07


well I don't know I owe


 Bobby 10:10
you says he's straight right there somewhere and and but he did have a bisexual moment but it was to have sex


 Jimmy Carper 10:21
with straight men


 Bobby 10:25
straight I am not I am not okay that


 Chris Harrison 10:29
okay now we're going to have the discussion of the white download Hey bud

 Jimmy Carper 10:38
apparently it didn't make me ether very gay still

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where's there's a big difference between heterosexual and straight to bed

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the next me

 Bobby 10:55
so apparently he's he's rather proud of our show and they and yeah effect that we have on the community there's our and our community's courage to face adversity read as hate yeah with we that we handle it with such good humor most of the time

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it's funny until it's not right.



Bobby 11:31

But yeah, he's he's Yeah. And he describes the fact that he wants had a well wait with somebody



Jimmy Carper 11:45

he is talking about in an encounter with his ex girlfriend who was bisexual, right? But he doesn't let us know the gender of the third person this is true. So



Chris Harrison 11:57

we can infer email we can infer male. Yeah. It doesn't really matter or details. Yeah, I



Jimmy Carper 12:05

get it I think of of, well, you're just taking the firm or orientation even it's kind of fluid, as it depends on the person. And it depends on the time and it depends on the mood waves.



Roy McCarthy 12:19

Yeah,



Bobby 12:20

thank you for sharing that you think you can walk on any nude breech, proudly?



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Well, but we're talking about the flag and the lambda and everything. Triangle. As I remember the origins of gay lib. The point of the whole thing was that everybody should sleep with who they want to and love who they want to. And not have to have it all chopped up and systematized and controlled. Yes.



Jimmy Carper 12:46

Well, I know he's wants a pen pal to get Yeah. And I mentioned beginning of the show because we have not been very successful at pen pals. No,



Bobby 12:57

he gives a description of himself. Yeah. 42 Nice. very nice. native Spanish heritage and then of

he gives a description of himself. Yeah. He's nice, very nice. Native Spanish heritage and then of course down the reference to a Roy

C Chris Harrison 13:11
he's straight in Spanish he's just a pure ality

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eventually, everybody straighten

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just want to make sure you're loving.

J Jimmy Carper 13:26
Oh, oh, yes. Oh, yes. Yes. I would wouldn't mind seeing him all right.

B Bobby 13:37
Jim, where he went his reading the the specifics of this person we can't read over. You got apparent Dang. Right. Yeah.

R Roy McCarthy 13:48
See, they get the good letters. Personal

J Jimmy Carper 13:53
reads he wouldn't mind a male, you know, writing to him.

i 13:59
Trend letters, guys. Okay.

B Bobby 14:01
So that's,



Chris Harrison 14:03

and if you're interested in getting information on how to contact any of our MBBS you know, call the show during calls during the show, you can send us an email at after hours at KPFT dot O R G or you can send us a letter if you just want to send a generic one out to any of the MDBs send it to us we'll forward it along if you don't want your address getting out put an envelope inside envelope and you can send it here too after hours care of KPFT for 19 Love it. That's L O V E T T somebody say it love T T Houston Texas seven seven double lots six.



Roy McCarthy 14:45

Love TG Yeah, I don't know.



Chris Harrison 14:47

It's been a tradition of saying it around here



Jimmy Carper 14:53

for 16 years and you just get it.



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I've never heard you say Oh,



Chris Harrison 14:57

Houston, Texas seven, seven. A lot six. It's not just a zip code.



Roy McCarthy 15:02

It's a lifestyle.




Jimmy Carper 15:05


Actually, it's a life. lifestyle is like what being Baptist. This is a life.




Chris Harrison 15:14


Yeah, there you go. No one


 Bobby 15:16
to hear a quarter of a lifestyle.


 Roy McCarthy 15:19
There is no yes.


 Jimmy Carper 15:20
There's a court report.


 Roy McCarthy 15:24
Come on, get closer. Hello. You're on. You're on deck here.


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We have here. This is David aka Deseret heart. Just in informing that Sunday, tomorrow, Sunday,

 Jimmy Carper 15:36
Sunday Sunday. At

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seven o'clock get breaks. There is a benefit show benefiting the Montreux softball league next Sunday on the 27th at eight o'clock at the BRB is another benefit show, I think benefiting neither the mantras Community Center or the mantras clinic one of the two

 Chris Harrison 15:56
as you mean, do you mean counseling center or communities? Community? The GLBT community center okay.

 Jimmy Carper 16:06
And of course the Todra THON but we went into that earlier. Yeah, yeah. So so I don't want to go into it. Okay,

 Chris Harrison 16:13

so are you a teacher or you are a toddler? You know that we cater, we now have the new thing for for Miss Lewis if she ever returns, rather than asking if you go into the army, would you be in the top bunk or the bottom bunk? Are you a teacher or your toddler?

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I don't know. It was always I was a flip flop. I was always a left shoe looking for my right. So now I don't know the answer to that anymore.

 Jimmy Carper 16:38

That's a whole other show. Oh, boy,

 Chris Harrison 16:43

if you're a bottom or a topper to the lobby.

 Roy McCarthy 16:50


Yeah, just gotta say this, this teeter totter thing was just like, going down or that's coming up that

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we wait, it's gonna bring whole new meaning to I came I saw I conquered. Yeah.

 Roy McCarthy 17:05

No, that's right. We ended.

 Bobby 17:13

My so I came again.

 Chris Harrison 17:18

Yeah, when we're talking about the almanac, and that some of the symbols and all that Jimmy started looking through here, and some of the symbols in the gay community. He was looking at this going. I never heard of that. Because there are some strange ones that are a little

different. I mean, some of them you've heard of before, what's the battle lines? The Battle Ax?



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Scott abris.



Chris Harrison 17:40

That's the laborers, double bladed it's a symbol of female strength. Kind of comes from the Amazonian



Bobby 17:49

the Amazon warrior and that.



Chris Harrison 17:52

But there's, I mean, like the freedom rings, which have been around since 1991. It was a started as a fundraiser for San Francisco Freedom Day event. And within a year they sold 100,000 of those freedom rings. Thanks. So people also call them Froot Loops. Right? Right, right. Yeah, is another term there. And basically, it's just these little plastic hoops that are on a chain usually wear around your neck, and it's the colors of the rainbow. The rainbow flag is Yeah, rather than a full flag, it's those rainbows and it's, it's one of those little things you can kind of look at and it catches your eye. Remember the first time I saw Scott Kennedy perform at the laughs stop. You know, he didn't know he was doing a straight show. Or straight for him as much as looking at him is a big guy and I'm sitting there after a while I'm looking and I noticed the freedom rings he was wearing. I go oh, I didn't realize that he was gay. And then later on when you go to one of his gay shows, and you really know that he's



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plus they sort of jingle



Chris Harrison 18:56

they make a little bit of a noise. The metal ones do. Yeah, yes. The butterfly motor was an early symbol. In the years soon after Stonewall, several Gay Liberation groups decided the butterfly for splendid and beautiful after emerging from his dark cocoon perfectly symbolized a new movement, that the time and the place time there because the new rebirth word



Roy McCarthy 19:20

that obviously was not in New York where it was. It



Chris Harrison 19:24

doesn't say where but this is some of the parts of there had never heard about that. It cuts sleeve.



Roy McCarthy 19:30

A cut sleeve. I've heard



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that before. 2000



Chris Harrison 19:34

years ago, a Chinese emperor right resting next to his youthful lover. The young man fell asleep on the Emperor's wide cut sleeve. So rather than just starve his companion, the Emperor cut off his sleeve. From this ancient legend rose the Chinese euphemism of a cut sleeve as a metaphor for homosexuality.



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Okay, there again, I've mentioned it before on the show, but there's an credible new book called homosexuality and civilization by Lewis Crumpton. And it's got that story in it, it's got an it's amazing. It's in a complete survey of civilizations relationship to homosexuality. It's an incredible book, everyone should read it. But it has that story in it plus many, many more about non Christian societies and how they, homosexuality seemed to work pretty okay.



Roy McCarthy 20:26

And actually, actually, if you examine world history, whether it's European, or mezzo American, or African, or no matter where you look at, before the influence of Christianity or Judaism, homosexuality was pretty much accepted. And in most, in most tribal nations and stuff, actually, giving a gender name to a child did not happen until they were like seven years old, or in that



Bobby 21:03

grade. By the way, speaking of sex, the homosexuality from the dawn of time. Did anybody see the hairy Hey. on PBS this week, no, no. The life of the Harry Hey, and, and it was on Wednesday or Thursday some guy? Yeah, I mean, it was. I've watched it with a group of radical fairies. So which he was a row, the founder and founder. He was one of the founders,



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about three years ago, I was at Lone Star Sundance, which happens in one passes. It just happened last weekend. And there was a transsexual dancer, and littered CRO dog who is a well known medicine man was in the doors movies, one of the answers of the door movie actually, too. But anyway, he, he did a ceremony official LinkedIn making ceremony so he became, you know, a woman. And in a sense, he became a genuine, tribal, transgender person. And so that's still alive today. That's still going on. You know?



Bobby 22:12

The, yeah, they went when when Ray Hill is around he, you know, he often says he was gay before it was ever I think. I think just maybe Harry Hey, may have been beat by one or two years. And, you know, he was with his lover for like 50 years. And there's no mistaking that that Harry hay was his queers. And out of the closet and a for all intents and purposes a Hellraiser I mean, this was on the polygenic genetically clear and and in your, and, you know, told the told the McCarthy is still you know, this off you go



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all the way back to Madison. Yeah, yeah. Yeah.



Roy McCarthy 23:15

He was the founder of Madison says that he loved it. Yeah. Have you got the day after God took over by a group of homophobes.



Chris Harrison 23:25

Yeah, yeah. Okay. Well, we wrap up here. Let me just put it there. We got a call in from Liberty, Texas, saying it's coming through loud and clear. He's working on a gay pride parade and art car parade, which they don't have up there yet. Yeah, he plays KPFT loud for Garrison Keillor Lutheran Church, which is 45 years from his back door to the church. Garrison



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Keillor has a church named after him. That's what it's all here.



Chris Harrison 23:55

Lesbian gospel blurring out at speakers at the Lutheran church. I do love the one time I was hearing a Garrison Keillor special he was doing and one of the jokes he made there was so in

the gay marriage. He says, you know, why would you why would why would gays want to get married? Haven't they suffered enough?

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Roy McCarthy 24:14

before we, before we do wrap up, we do want to remind everybody to join after hours and KPFT next month, next Saturday at one o'clock over by Hollywood cafe. Because we're going to be broadcasting live from there

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Chris Harrison 24:28

one at one in the afternoon to four in the afternoon we're at Hollywood cafe and then our show in the parking lots between South Beach and Jr's live. You can see all of us in person in person live I don't know why but hey,

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Roy McCarthy 24:46

come on. Say hello. Notice though, that you're listening and just tell us what

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Chris Harrison 24:48

your thoughts are on the parade. You know, we're gonna close up here with you know, we were talking about rainbows and colors. So, you know, let's do a little different version. It's time to To hit the rainbow connection and you've been listening to all this on after hours queer radio with attitude on Pacifica radio. Okay, now do it. Oh. Pacifica radio for the Gulf Coast KPFT 90.1 FM in Houston 89.5 Galveston, you guys check out the worldwide web Kpf KPFT dot o RG Happy Pride Week and we're coming to you next week from Jr's and South Beach.