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SPEAKERS

Gigi, Roy McCarthy, Jimmy Carper, Bobby

R Roy McCarthy 00:01

That's what the newsletter was saying

B Bobby 00:03

the newsletter but they will not be there on that day. So, if you were planning on going they will they will not be there on that particular day. However, if you if you are planning on going to get tested at some point please do it's always better to know if you are so they can get so they can start taking care of things now. The out Oh, there it is. The the eclectic arrangement of stuff on my in front of me is is in arrangement here outskirt is having a Halloween skate on Wednesday, October 27 than having and they will have a \$50 prize for the best costume. Judging will be by ballot from those in attendance. And hopefully everybody will not be voting for their own costume. Otherwise it could make things really interesting. The fun begins from eight to 10pm at the zenith skating rink at 75 Koch road at BeechNut \$5 entry fee. There is a slight additional cost if you need to rent skates but only a slight one. So if you're if you'd like to go skating, go out there. Have a good time have fun. And if it's on Wednesday, October 27 We have

J Jimmy Carper 01:39

another skate group that meets on Tuesday.

R Roy McCarthy 01:42

Right we'll get ready to do that. Oh,

J Jimmy Carper 01:44

I'm sorry. Okay. Well,

B Bobby 01:45

we're we're getting I gotcha. We're getting in the lambda the lambda rolis Roller Skating Club will hold their annual Halloween party hell on wheels. 99. You got to love the title. Tuesday, October 26. At the trade winds roller rink 5006 West 34th Street, the best costume will be awarded to theater tickets from 8am to 8:30pm. Admission is free. proceeds from the event will benefit community organizations year round. For more info. Call them at 713-523-9620.

R Roy McCarthy 02:30

Also want to say that inline skates are welcome at that rink as well. So they say bring your inline skates if you have them out. Cool.

J Jimmy Carper 02:37

Cool. Let's see. Let's see. I've got a couple of things. We'll go through really quickly.

R Roy McCarthy 02:44

Sunday, Sunday Sunday. If you missed you

J Jimmy Carper 02:47

missed your Sunday. I was in the lobby. I heard it. Yes, I heard it. The Fabulous boys network. Michael Crawford has been here on several occasions pushing this this is this is a great group that do fun things. The Fabulous boys network invite you to come see Tommy's shorts. A cinematic shorts. Yeah, a cinematic event for boys who love boys. Tommy's shorts will be revealed on Wednesday, Wednesday, Wednesday. No, we don't want to go all right now October 27 at 730 at diverse works. Art Space located located at 1117 East freeway. That's the way to go there. As you take main street toward downtown. And after you pass U of H you go up the hill over the bayou up the hill. And then there's a light at the bottom of the hill. And you go through the lights there and the next right and that's it. Tommy shorts will feet feature the romantic sweet and sexy short films of Tommy Oh havior Oh, whoever was the director of the oh so hot gay date movie, Billy. Billy's Hollywood screen kiss you remember that yet?

R Roy McCarthy 04:05

I've never got to see it. Oh,

J Jimmy Carper 04:07

like Billy the shorts are all about guys lustng for other guys guys chasing other guys and guys

falling madly in love with other guys. As an added bonus, those who are lucky enough to attend Tommy shorts will have the opportunity to win cool stuff, including the new hot fabulous fabulous boys network logo. T shirt, underwear and more. What more could you ask for hot shorts, cool giveaways and fabulous boys

R Roy McCarthy 04:38

to Tommy come with it. Doesn't say okay, I got I got my next item up here about the the Houston gay and lesbian parents network.

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Oh yeah, here we go. And

R Roy McCarthy 04:53

they're inviting people to join them in their newsletter mail out. And parents in Kids are invited with to this event. And there's gonna be rainbow cake to celebrate birthdays and anniversaries. And it's all going to be at the buffet Express at 4056 biller at Wesleyan. Oh, I've been

J Jimmy Carper 05:14

there. It's a great place. It's a buffet. It's really cheap.

R Roy McCarthy 05:18

And it's going to be on Wednesday from seven to 8:30pm. There you go. And if you would like to find out more about the Houston game, those being parents, you can call them at area code 713-284-4939. And yes, folks, there are gay and lesbian parents. Contrary to what fundamentalist preachers will tell you and right wing extremist politicians will tell you

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there are parents out there who you know, gay people,

R Roy McCarthy 05:48

not all gay people are a bunch of slip puppies like me. There are some decent ones out there.

B Bobby 05:56

decent human beings. We are decent human beings. We have lives we have chilled some of us

have children. There you go. And I don't personally but I know plenty who do. And you know, we're just like everybody else we like. Yeah. Anyhow, on along the next nuda news item, the nudie news item on October.

R Roy McCarthy 06:22

Ooh, that felt good. Yeah.

B Bobby 06:24

On October 24th, at 8pm, the Texas gay Rodeo Association conjunction with the lazy J at 312 22 M Street will host the mislay g j 2000. pageant. All preusse proceeds from event will proceed will benefit the organization's Houston chapter for further details called Danny Gonzalez at 713-932-1333. And we have the happy healthy and pause Social Club. Yay, will have its first get together party at Paradise club 2312 Crocker street on October 28 6pm. To 9pm All HIV positive individuals are welcome to attend. Just for the sake of a good time. There will be finger foods fun and the opportunity to make new friends. You're gonna finger your food as much as possible. I'd personally as Yeah, that's the only thing I get to do that with food than anything else at this point. After that, we'll get to that later. For more information on the happy healthy and pause Social Club, call it 713-807-7304 Give them a call. If you're HIV positive and you want and you want to just get together and have a social and happy time. Get together at this party. That sounds like it's going to be a lot of fun.

J Jimmy Carper 08:15

Sure does.

R Roy McCarthy 08:15

And you also have an art show.

B Bobby 08:17

Ah yes, we have the art and we have the positive art workshop, photographs, opening night reception Houston gay and lesbian community center at 803 Hawthorne at Stanford Wednesday, October 27, six to 8pm a

R Roy McCarthy 08:34

lot of stuff happening this coming Wednesday.

B Bobby 08:38

The photographs will remain on display at the center through the January 10 of 2000. Hall, Ron Hall. The The workshops are are offered for people living with HIV AIDS and are part of the Museum of Fine Arts.

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Roy McCarthy 08:56

And okay, we're getting the wrap up sign here, folks. So let me give a real quick item here for Andras Pereira. He's looking for people to help him he's an openly gay candidate for city council at large position to he's been endorsed by the Stonewall Democrats. He's been endorsed by the Log Cabin Republicans. He's been endorsed by the gay and lesbian Political Caucus on this prayer is pan political, I guess. And anyways, he's looking for volunteers. If you'd like to help in and on the unjust prayer campaign, you can email resummon to email at Andras 99 at understanding nine.org That's his email address. Just 99 at Andras money nine.org. And the men's network is going to be doing excuse me, on October 26, they have a thing called fast was sacred symbol of the masculine Oh holy erection this will be a discussion of the symbolism of the male member in the history of art, mythology and in psychoanalysis as in dream interpretation. You can join them in this interesting and entertaining discussion of the meaning of the penis and just what it means to have the term of a Richard we have

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Bobby 10:22

a as last items. We have the in the Houston press this week, there is an article on same sex domestic abuse you do not have to stay in these kinds of relationships I, I have that's my picture. That's, that is my picture in the paper. Go ahead and take a look. If you're living in one of those relationships. Go get out of it the best way you know how that's finally KPFT has just completed its membership drive. With a record breaking number of tooth \$236,426 Thank pledged bio for 2000 donors. Thank you very much for your pledges people. You are the people who keep us going. Thank you Houston for your support.

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Jimmy Carper 11:20

Okay, thank you big Roy and Bobby with news and views for October 23. And we're going to be getting back to the bisexual conference which is in progress. We'll be talking to some more folks up until three o'clock right after this. Hello, anybody out there? I guess not. Hello? Hello. Hello. Yes. Okay.

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We're back.

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Jimmy Carper 12:01

Were you able to hear the music at all?

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This was the one song we heard. Oh, okay.

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Jimmy Carper 12:06

Okay, good.

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Gigi 12:11

I think there's magic in the air tonight. One sound that I request. And you know that song has specialty.

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Jimmy Carper 12:19

I know. I know. And it's a song you know, I was just talking to a guy in the lobby and he was like, Hey, you don't want to buy dance there yet? Because I mean, this song just makes you move.

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Gigi 12:30

It makes you move in all the right way. We have another guest

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Jimmy Carper 12:35

with us. Okay, I'm just gonna let the music go in the background.

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Gigi 12:39

That's fine. We've got Camille.

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Jimmy Carper 12:44

Camille

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Gigi 12:46

tell a little bit about who she is and what she's done. She's really kick ass person. Okay.

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Jimmy Carper 12:52

I want to tell folks who just tuned in that you are listening to after hours, queer radio with attitude. KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station, we are doing a live remote from the bisexual conference that is still going on

G Gigi 13:17

people are gonna be talking about this for x millennia.

J Jimmy Carper 13:21

Good. So Camille, tell tell us something about you?

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Well, I'm from Austin, and I'm a representative from the bisexual network of Austin. And we've been around you know, for about six, seven years or so. And you know, we're we're really developing a community there and have a lot of activities going on. And we're we've got a pretty good contingency here in Houston. attends a conference and we're really excited about actually brought a bunch of people together from all over the Austin people out there we'll listen and then us.

J Jimmy Carper 14:02

Hello, Austin. You don't want on a cloudy day they can get us in Austin.

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Great. Well, we simulcast

J Jimmy Carper 14:10

in College Station.

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Great, excellent.

G Gigi 14:17

Camille. Lupin, often almost from the beginning.



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Pretty much so yeah.



Gigi 14:26

What are your impressions of this conference?



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I'm really impressed with for people who come together and the general feeling of everybody wanting to really get out there and build community. And I think it's unnecessary because he is in the shadows. And and I think, exactly, I think it's important that we get out there and visible and validated as an orientation.



J Jimmy Carper 15:07

Tell us a little something about the BI community in Austin.



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Oh, we've got quite a number of activities going on all the time. And often we have social activities every week really



Gigi 15:21

goes too far with this. And I need to fit in a word here. Yes. I've been following the I'm on the Austin listserv. And I've been watching what's been going on and Austin is going into a blossoming phase. I mean, they are really getting out there they are moving, they're doing activities, then. It's hard to say I mean, yeah, there's a lot going on that edible,



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you follow any of the news, the local news, you'll see that Austin has grown in population tremendously, we have so many people moving in. And that's actually helped our community because we're getting people in from all over the country who have various experiences with, you know, by groups on the East Coast, on the west coast, and they're bringing in new blood and new ideas. And we're just kind of folding that all in and building on it and helping to build our community and all the building on the ideas, we have a lot of stuff going on now. And hopefully, we'll have a new another camp out soon, we'll invite all the Texas groups to attend. And we always employ having those kinds of activities as well.

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Gigi 16:48

While we're on this subject, that combat, one of the things we're planning to do in the south central region is have an annual conference every fall, and also do an annual campout retreat every spring. And the retreat will not be so much workshops, it's going to be a little bit more spiritual base, and recharge for all the activists because every activist needs a little bit of recharge.

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Second, that

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Jimmy Carper 17:22

you bet because burnout occurs too often.

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Gigi 17:25

And this is great burnout prevention. I mean, we're talking about getting people that work very hard all the time together for a little treat and a little time to just relax and and get some spiritual recharge

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that idea

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Jimmy Carper 17:47

do you have any specific plans for any?

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Gigi 17:51

We haven't ironed it out yet. But next, by next spring, we will have a retreat going.

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Jimmy Carper 18:01

Okay.

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Gigi 18:04

I want to move to our last segment of the show, which we're going to probably do till the end. Okay. And I just kind of want to back with Camille and in also with our find it USA national

coordinator representative for this free learner and ask each of you what were some of the workshops that really hits you and ages different from this conference?



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Well, I'd have to say one of the ones I'm most personally interested in is the building of the by movement and the creation of community. As you know, I've made a pretty large commitment to the bisexual movement last and, and constantly thinking about ways to keep it moving forward. And the seminar that I attended today, where we talked about how to build community was very helpful to me because I got some very specific and tactical ideas about how we could generate more community with the community where I live, and that that really alive and, and moving forward. So I'm very excited about that. And energized by the ideas that came out of that. And there were a number of Austin, people in the seminar as well. And, of course, the ideas they had immediately went to them afterwards and said, That's a great idea. I hope you'll be at the meeting next week. Oh, yeah, of course.



Gigi 19:55

The energy level is the current year I think they're gonna be They're about to what was your favorite workshops? For me there



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weren't there were there were two things that I thought were very exciting about this conference. As a national artist, as somebody who, you know, sort of business, I suppose, of creating a national community, national communities. Keyword, that's where the ally workshop thing, where we fit into the game. And also how we build our trans allies. And those kinds of workshops were very, both enlightening to me to hear the perspectives from this area as and how they kind of fit into the grand scheme of things. Because, for me, those connections are really important because I'm pushing things nationally. And it's helpful for me to know what people want in different regions. It was exciting for us that we have so many people here from different areas. There are people here from Boston, New Hampshire, all the way to LA, that came in this conference. And it was very exciting to see all the energy that we were at from all over the country here in Houston.



Gigi 21:16

Yeah, absolutely. Exciting. And we're not talking just about presenters. We're talking about individual interns coming in from all over the country, because we rock we got



Jimmy Carper 21:33

pretty much it.

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Gigi 21:34

I mean, and, you know, during the festivities, there's a special award given to Jimmy Carr for and we had some things happen that were really spectacular, but I can't say enough about after hours. It has been such a support system. And such a part of our community and bringing the whole queer community together. Well, that's right. And, and, and part of this conference is really about bringing the whole queer community together. We just had a bunch of people walk in. So we're gonna go around the room and ask people, what their favorite work workshops were. I'll just have everybody introduce themselves, and then have them say what their favorite workshop was. It was like to go first. And this is, this is someone who I haven't heard in quite a while and came down from Silicon Valley.

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Jimmy Carper 22:44

Michelle, came from

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Berkeley, actually. Yeah, came for a visit.

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He's been talking about this conference for like, seven years now.

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So like, you know, when it finally came together,

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I felt like I had to come.

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It's been really a great experience. A lot of wonderful people.

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What did I like about the workshop, which was my favorite workshop?

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Gigi 23:13

This was a thought for a blur. It's like Does anybody have a favorite that they want? Okay, who are you

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and Jody and I favorite workshops was the first one this morning was about creating a poly family of choice. Very excited to hear someone talk about the children that that he's raising with. The other team members of the tribe was very exciting to hear people in committed relationships.

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What is the triad?

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Well, it's three people who love each other

G Gigi 24:03

in this particular situation

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who are the other two?

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Are the two are man and woman falling in love?

G Gigi 24:23

I know Rondo and I know he's cool with me saying his name. He was national coordinator until just recently for banner USA. And he's been involved with this relationship for about 17 years.

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Actually, he had his male partner 19 years ago and they met a female partners 10 years ago.

G Giai 24:49

This is step six and speaking

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and, and has been living together as a tribe for the past nine years. African children, and are really nice people. And the fact that this person works in human resources for a major company is is very, it's very inspiring, too, because it really, we, we underestimate, we sell ourselves short, we underestimate the degree to which we really can affect change and make a difference in the corporate culture and the culture in which we live in by just being unafraid to be who we are, and speak out about who we are, oh,

Gigi 25:35

I think we've rocked this place with who we are. And touch on one thing that's really important, is assistance. We're community within a community. And I think that's what we're all about is bringing equality for everybody in our community. That's what we've been working on. For hours. It's not just bringing the whole queer community together, it's bringing everyone together and saying, everybody is equal, it doesn't matter who you do your plumbing with. What your plumbing is how you define it. We're all equal, and we should be treated equal. And we should have respect and dignity for all people. That we love what you love. And anybody else. Workshop that really stood out further.

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Well, I say my favorite workshop stuff. The stuff that Robert and Carol did was the safe sex, how to throw a party?

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Oh, yeah.

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To me, I expected that it's going to make a difference in my day to day getting on. Because either somebody's going to start throwing them or I'm going to. And unfortunately, I think I'm going to have how

Gigi 27:07

I think we've gotten a lot of help after this experience. And I do want to say this helps break one of the biggest myths out there. bisexuals spread a unsafe sex practices. And we get named a lot of times people of choice to pick upon for spreading out with people who do not practice safe sex, and that happens in any orientation. with it.

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Jimmy Carper 27:46

Oh, yeah. Okay. Oh, yeah. You're going strong, you don't need me. I sit back

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about, I guess, about the mix of events at the conference. And it was funny, because I guess coming from a pretty vanilla background myself, I was kind of worried whether anyone would even show up to the play party, or wouldn't five guys sitting around staring at each other. And in fact, it turned out to be in the evening, we had more people go to that to the other two events combined. And to me, it was it was really, to see. And I think that having having the workshops and having all the other events for if it weren't for the safe day, and the support that we created in the two days prior to having those events. And the love energy is that it wouldn't it wouldn't have worked, it wouldn't have happened. And that that is one of the really amazing things that happens with these events is just divided spaces created by them for people to trust and open up and try things that they might not try.

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Jimmy Carper 29:06

And a gay male tried something he didn't think he was could try tonight to mean that this the space was wonderful.

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Gigi 29:16

I was with Jimmy and I started checking in all over and

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Jimmy Carper 29:23

just yeah, it's just very very nervous at first but I just got with the program and just had a good time.

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Gigi 29:32

Standing tall when I

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think that was more about him than I wanted to

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Gigi 29:46

we have one other person in the room with

WE HAVE ONE OTHER PERSON IN THE ROOM WITH



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Hey, what's going on?



Jimmy Carper 29:50

Hey, I'm doing great. How about you? And you are Manny Hey



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and I I'm not gay at all. I just like, all my friends seem to be gay, where I go, I hang around gay people do what they do. And I go to their places, and I know their club. Just I got some friends won't agree with that at all. I never will. And kind of shuts me out what I would hang out with whoever is nice, whoever's cool, or I get along with. And it just seems whoever I get along with, you know, sometimes it ends out where they're gay. I really don't care at all.



Jimmy Carper 30:41

Right, it goes, right?



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Well, I have some friends who don't agree with it. And I kind of really don't talk to them about it at all.



Jimmy Carper 30:51

Yeah, I can understand that.



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But however, when we go out, they'll see that I'll end up you know, talking to someone who's gay, or lesbian. And, I mean, I usually have a great time when I go out, no matter who I'm with.



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But, nonetheless, but friends, they really don't say anything. I'll tell you right now. No, my friends are gay. However,

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Jimmy Carper 31:21

did I meet you tonight? Did I meet you tonight? I'm sorry. Did I meet you tonight?

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No, I don't think he did. Okay.

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And I think that, but

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Jimmy Carper 31:35

I mean, it's cool. I mean, that is that is another issue we need to think about because we need straight friends who are straight but not narrow. You know, because there's a lot of legislation maybe that that bisexuals want want to to get certain concerning all kinds of things. Children, for instance, because I know that that may be a big part of why many bisexual people don't come out. Because they they fear litigation or loss of their children if it's found out but I mean, we're not going to ever get that way until we have a bunch of straight but not narrow friends supporting us. Amanda, you're cool.

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Gigi 32:27

And I see we're running pretty close to the end. I do want to do a couple of recap. Okay. First of all, I really have to say big kudos to the Sheraton. Oh, you bet. I mean, here's the hotel that has blown our flag on their flag poles outside. They have been supporting us. The Baptist have been next door and very nice. They've been they have been nice to know. There have been we had to do some memory assignments at their request that last minute. thing was, I think we did to my openers for a lot of folks around.

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Jimmy Carper 33:30

You betcha.

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Gigi 33:31

And, you know, we may have had an impact here. I mean, this conference has had, I feel the energy and you know, I kind of mom into the thing is a start, and it's a flood. And the energy has just been so incredible. There's been so much love, and I've seen so much huggy touchy, glowing pupils is joining together, people notice those chilly earlier. And somebody grabbed me and said, Come here, and then grabbed everybody else in the room. And they all encircled me

and gave me their body warmth. to warm me up. It was the most incredible feeling to be hugged by a roomful of people. And I felt all their energy flowing through me. Like it didn't take any time at all. For him. Feeling good.



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Not trying to interrupt. You brought up something. I think one of the things that is amusing to me about these events, and I've been to quite a few by conferences is that focus on the sex and think that it is about sexuality. And the most important thing to me that comes out of it is not the sex or not the discussion of you know, practices or issues or whatever but the free Have to be affectionate and the amount of non sexual affection and support and comfort that we all give each other in the situation.



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You're here.



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It's a combination of it all.



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Yeah, that's what it's, it makes it for me. And it's what? recreate that space. And that's a miracle in itself.



Bobby 35:26

I think in many ways, it's about remembering that we're all part of the same family, even though we may come at it from different views. We're all part of the same thing where the, you know, the human race is one big family. And we have to remember that we're all a part of it, no matter who we love, and who we, you know, call our lovers.



Jimmy Carper 35:49

Yeah, well, we really need to wrap this up. Now. It's been it's been exhilarating. They say one



Gigi 35:55

last thing, please do. Celebrating the family of choice is a concept. It's about reaching out to people in bonding in a new meaningful way. And you walk away. And it doesn't matter how much love you put out, it comes back tenfold. Sure does. And for me this conference, we have put out a lot of love. And I'm almost scared about what's going to come back.

J Jimmy Carper 36:29

So powerfully, yes, it will. So where's next year's conference?

G Gigi 36:33

We don't have a final decision. Okay. Other probably within the next month, month and a half. Good.

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Take it back to their steering committee and make a decision on it. And we'll be doing a little creative arm twisting while we're

J Jimmy Carper 36:49

out. Well, as soon as we know we'll publicize it because we want to get the early word out. That's been so successful. We want to keep that energy going, don't we? Yes, Gigi. Thank you so much. It's it's really been a wonderful evening. I didn't think we would be able to fill three hours but it was easy.

G Gigi 37:10

Oh, yeah. And one of the mentioned one last thing that Dixon got an award a great organizer, they here and Jim Carper got an award.

J Jimmy Carper 37:24

Yes, I did the above and beyond the ward. I'm very very proud of it. I have a special place to hang it. Okay, well, thank you and

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are clear Radio Live.

J Jimmy Carper 37:44

JJ, I'll see you in two weeks. Okay. Good night. And you've been listening to after hours queer radio with attitude on KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station. Big Daddy j is here and boy, we're going over the time a little bit, but I just want to say this for you. Then I'll see you next

week.