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Gigi 00:01

With this whole issue from the beginning is that, you know, it's like the first three marches. I remember those, even though I couldn't attend them. I remember some community forums, I remember the questions asked, I remembered the Hallmark banned by the organizers. And they really wanted to get a feel for what the heartbeat across America was on LGBT issues.



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You don't account for that. Yeah. You certainly don't have homework being done across the community. But you do have a lot of scrambling being done. People are scrambling like mad, and they don't have time to listen. locally. I don't know if you have what they call local leadership, contact people. The local leadership contact, people were added at the insistence of the ad hoc committee. But these local leaders are just about turnout. There, they don't seem to have really been organizing any community forums or input sessions, and really bringing substantive issues back to the martyr or the planning. It's, it's really dreadful.



Gigi 01:23

Got a little bit of a technical problem there. We got some shorts going on. I think they got it fixed



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here. That clear? Yeah. Sorry about that. Oh, that's all right.



Gigi 01:35

old technology, at its greatest that we do well with



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it. I think, you know, especially the the the old technology and the ways of flyers and pamphlets, thing and talking to people. That's what's really helped the ad hoc get its message out and done something that the millennia march on Washington hasn't been able to do,



Gigi 01:56

right. One of the things that I've noticed throughout the beginning of the millennium March is that the notice, you know, Tyler backed up hotels way in advance, and they wind up all this entertainment package. And they've lined up vendors, and it looks like, you know, the main entrance behind the MMO derby is not on community interest, but on dollars, and creating a good show and creating a good show and making a package to sell. And they've got incredible financial backing from, you know, websites and from businesses. And, you know, the whole thing just has a commercialism that the first three marches never touched on.



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I think that that commercialism is inevitable. Every community that's been successful. Uses commercialism uses the media, but uses it rightly. And that's not what's happening here. You know, if you look across the country at how people organize, they end up doing large events that are televised with celebrities every community has. And our community should have that as well. But you can't just go ahead without the heart and the soul of the community.




Gigi 03:31


And I think that's one of the things that, you know, really scares me about this March. Because I think one of the things I'm seeing happening here is that, you know, here's a group that's putting forth their own agenda. They've done all these closed door meetings, and the moment it hits the streets, and they start putting that agenda forth. It's not going to resound from the community. And I think one of the things I see the problems is, you know, issues are going to be raised at the, on the, from the MMO diarrhea. And it's, since I didn't do their homework, they didn't go out and find out what the community wants on the agenda. There's going to be some arguments as soon as they start saying we represent the people and on these issues, and they start spouting forth on this if it hadn't been done, you know, they don't know what the issues are out there because they haven't talked to the people and there's gonna be people there saying, hey, wait a minute. This is an Irish she's




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a smartphone on Washington has spent time polling the community and knew each time and gone back and found out what the current issues are in the community. I'm wondering if you know, if those forms were held in Texas, and I can't imagine that they

 Gigi 05:10
were not they weren't here. And I wonder

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what you know what folks in Texas and in Ohio and California and all in other places across the US what their input would have been, would they have been asked, and how this March would have been shaped differently. One thing I am concerned for is, is the next generation, the kids that say, Hey, we want to have a March, we want to have a chance to go to a March, you guys had a chance. I mean, not all of us wins. But we certainly have a chance to go. And the earlier marches did have a big impact. The only thing I can say to that is that the kids need to leave the march. They you need to pull this together and not let other people do the organizing for them.

 Jimmy Carper 05:57
GG let me jump in.

 Gigi 05:58
Yeah, sure. Um, Jimmy says Chairman Carper, the producer of after hours,

 Jimmy Carper 06:03
a couple of things that I've seen from, from my viewpoint, I'm an older man. And at first, I was very against that because a lot of the a lot of things where I think we're started maybe right here in Texas, Ray Hill, who's long term longtime gay activist in Houston. was the first I think to say, hey, wait a minute, let's look at this thing. And, and maybe there's more money, the maybe more the interest is more on money than it is on the margin. And then Deborah Bell stepped in who was the who was the CO organizer of the last March and said, hey, you know, this doesn't look right to me either. So there I there was a lot of negativity coming from Texas. And my first thought was okay, yeah, that's really bad. But then I thought, you know, okay, I'm older. I've done this thing. And it is a wonderful thing. There's a wonderful feeling. And maybe there's a there's a lot of youth out there that need that feeling need to, to be among a million people. And have that, that, that, that just

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terrible feeling. Yeah, I

 Jimmy Carper 07:16
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can't even explain what that feeling is. It's just a wonderful feeling of belonging,



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of solidarity and pride. Yes. And if this march was done, right, we would have this year and unquestionable million. Well, I'll tell you on the mall, but we're not going to happen.



Jimmy Carper 07:36

And then what happened is that I think there was a lot of negativity coming from Texas, and maybe the whole middle of the US.



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Well, it's everywhere.



Jimmy Carper 07:49

But they tapped Diane Hardy Garcia from Texas. And then they tapped I don't know, Diane, but I mean, she's very activated LT URL in Austin,



Gigi 08:00

and I've met her not long ago.



Jimmy Carper 08:03

Okay. And, and also they tapped Michael Crawford. Yeah, it was a black activist from Houston, I know him very well. He's been a co host on the show. And he, I have the utmost respect for him. And I know if he's involved, it's going to be on the up and up, whatever, whatever he's involved with. So I'm thinking that maybe that was to shut us up in Texas. And so it may be a dip for a little bit. But now all of a sudden, with the closing of the Philadelphia office, it's



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to save money.



Jimmy Carper 08:36

after scandal after scandal every turn around every time I soften my heart. This other scandal pops out. I don't know what the



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thing. Well, and I think that that's where we have to be careful. People are saying we need to just go ahead and go to the March. Because it's going to look bad if we don't show up. Or people are saying it's going to look bad. The religious right is going to look at us and take advantage of our inability to organize and, and make us look bad. And I think we need to be able to very strongly say that, if the marches a flop, that's alright, because we're in the middle of reorganizing and rethinking our strategies, you know, how to use commercialism appropriately, how to use the electronic media appropriately. And it's alright for for us to grind gears right now. And that it's alright for us to reorganize ourselves and to become stronger. I think it's important for us to look at the lessons learned and not just have a a circuit party on the mall. But to have a true march on the mall, when when we really have reason to come to Washington.



Gigi 09:50

Keep getting hams Yeah. So we're trying to trace down where the short is but bear with us. Are you hearing it on your end?



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A little bit but it doesn't seem to bother. Okay.



Jimmy Carper 10:03

Okay. Yes. And



Gigi 10:07

basically, you know, I think that's the fear I see too is the splintering of the community and part of after hours, what we do is community first you trying to unify the community and make a stronger community, bring all elements together. And, you know, that's the thing up here with this millennium marches that it's, you know, shaking up the community, it's, we're getting divisions, we're getting polarization. polarizations. And, you know,



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I'm hoping we can turn that into a positive thing. I'm hoping that people will be agitated and say, you know, I don't like what's happening. And we can turn around to them and say, Well, that's because we need to every one of us, be involved, be listening to the issues, and make things happen for ourselves, not just wait for a few people to lead us in directions. We don't want to go.



Gigi 11:00

And I think the one thing that's gonna save us all is the incredible of success we saw with the EBh. Because we did have such a good turnout is all grassroots and is I mean, I went to the, to Austin for UBH here in Texas. And, you know, we saw transgender and marching with gays and lesbians with lather with, you know, you name it, the bisexuals were out and for we had an incredible turnout of diversity, for the first time in history. And it wasn't just here in Texas, it was all across the nation at every state capitol.



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Yeah, I'm not sure that the lesbian and gay community at least the the celebrity leadership of the lesbian and gay community, really embrace the diversity of our community. It's kind of like hosting a family party and not wanting your queer uncle to show up.



Jimmy Carper 12:02

Right then and there. But is it that we're purists or you know, is that all we really want is a big party. I think I'm gonna be a big circuit party, you know, for for everyone. Well, I



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think that the danger is that we're becoming assimilationist. Yeah, one of the ways to win votes and to win elections, is to tell people we're just like you. And they can, nothing could be further from the truth. You know, that's right,



Gigi 12:36

girlfriend. J.



Jimmy Carper 12:40

If you, Miss JJ could see these two in here tonight. Just named



Gigi 12:45

radio, baby. And if it's not nude radio, I am eyes in high heeled shoes, or combat boots with dresses and riding on my motorcycle. That's what



Jimmy Carper 12:58

we call diversity in Texas,



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are the naked truth? Yes.



Jimmy Carper 13:04

So how do we find it?



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How do we, I think the first thing that people need to do is just do the old fashioned thing of writing letters to the editor, also taking a stand and saying things like, you know, hell, no, we won't go. Locally, there has been a group that is organizing to call for a boycott of the march. And I think that the most important thing we can do is to take even a fraction of the money that we would have sent or spent to Washington and spend it on the hotels and on the restaurants and all the other things that happen with the march, to spend a portion of that money on local organizing.



Gigi 13:50

Another by Nance, USA is planning a conference to coincide with the march. They're not going to support it or be a part of it, but they're not going to oppose it directly. They want to be there. They want to be a presence, but they don't want to be seen as being a part of it.



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Yeah, that's happening with the people of faith community here that want to provide a an organ, an organizing point for people to come together, who happen to be in town. But again, the voices of opposition are there to saying that we need to also hear from people who aren't here. And also I can't imagine any other March being organized this way, where you have people hosting meetings saying that we're neither opposed nor for the Millennium march on Washington. It's a very, very strange phenomenon. And something that has to be looked at historically.



Gigi 14:49

Yeah. Because it's, you know, it's going all over the place. I mean, I hear it, you know, from not just within the binder and I keep I'm on it. turnin listservs and, you know, even on grassroots media, I've been hearing a few things, which is kind of an alternative media source. People are kind of questioning Well, what's going on here? Yeah, a local



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leather media network here has just come out with a statement to the Millennium March, Washington saying that they would no longer carry any news of the millennium march on Washington. Wow, wow. And you have people in groups making statements. And that I think, is the power if we can cause even an opposition, if people will come together and talk about it. And we'll put forth a paragraph or two of their own thoughts, and their own ideas, either for Oregon's, but please think about what you're doing. I see that student groups across the country are being pulled by the Millennium march on Washington. They they get together in these groups, and they hand out stickers. And the students are just taking the stickers and signing up, thinking that they're going to a march on Washington, based on what they've seen historically. Most people that are coming to the to the March on Washington haven't thought about the issues, they haven't read the the hundreds of news articles, and looked at the fiasco of organizing that's happening here. And it's because in the past, we've learned to trust our leadership, not saying that the marches in Washington, in the past have imperfect far from far from that. But you really have to put trust in your leadership that they're gonna lead you somewhere you want to go.

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Gigi 16:37

And I think the other thing that kind of disturbs me about this March is that they're relying on the history of the other three marches to carry them. I think that's big, a big part behind all this is that, you know, they figure, okay, we'll do another March and everything that's been done has been kind of in this hope that, you know, it's going to buy into the history of the past ones. And we're going to be able to pull on that and have a big party.



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Well, and it's going to be a virtual March, if anything, it's going to be a media blitz. They're at a place now where they can't pull out their contracts. And so they're going to have to go ahead come hell or high water and I don't know how Diane is going to be able to come back to Texas and and talk about the work she did. No, I know I just can't imagine that. That she'll be able to take this to her credit. You know what, anytime people get together good things are gonna happen. You know, people will get together they'll meet people, they'll network you know, some good things are gonna happen. So many

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Gigi 17:45

more the break, Hang on one sec. Sure. Sure. We out of time on that.

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Jimmy Carper 17:50

We need to tell people that we they are listening to after hours, queer radio with attitude on KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station

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Gigi 18:02

90.1 FM, queer radio with attitude

90.1 FM, Clear radio with attitude.



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Okay, we're back. We're back side. Hello,



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back here with you. Okay. Yeah, I think you know, we really need to look at this March, we realize whether it's a march on Washington or a promenade or a rally, and people need to think about why is it that we're having it and why our leadership has pulled together something that we just can't support?



Gigi 18:31

I think we've got a guy's time here. We keep signaling each other to move in different positions. I don't know where this time is coming from. But that's interesting. Yeah, I think you're definitely right on with that. Because, you know, we've got so much so many people kind of looking at this thing. And going this is this thing, thing and problem. You're gonna try that. Okay. Maybe we saw the problem here that seems so gone away. And they'll, anyway, yeah, we got so many people that are looking at this is you know, and I think part of it's tied in to the you know, people want to do something for the Millennium for the year 2000. And maybe this is part of the buy in that they were also hoping for from the MMO Diaby aboard



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Well, you know, the millennium is so much hype. Yeah, you know, anything that gets the name Millennium on it, people want to do it. And also I think we were trying to look at the what did they call it the Promise Keepers, or what we call up here, the the penis keepers March. You know, they're like, well, they can turn out although those great numbers, why can't we turn up those great numbers and it becomes this big competition. You know, who can turn out the numbers.



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You brought up a good point earlier too. And that's the In the fear that this March is just trying to ride off the success of past marches. And without doing the work, right? I mean, the biggest problem I've got with that is if they try to bluff their way through without doing the work, this March is going to look really bad. And it's going to, you know, it's gonna make anything in the future have to work that much harder.



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And it makes, it makes all of our work at the local levels harder. If you can imagine, you know, when this idea came about about the Millennium march on Washington no one here in

when this idea came about, about the millennium march on Washington, no one here in Washington was asked, it's kind of like somebody's saying, everybody just showing up at your at your door and saying, Can we use your backyard for your for our party, really, and they haven't done the work to ask the people whether we're interested in hosting a march on Washington, it takes an incredible amount of resources from local communities to support this.

 Gigi 20:55

And you touch on a really good point, because one of the things that came up in my mind, I mean, I'm an unpaid, full time political activist for USI. And I have been for a couple of years. And you know, when I first heard about it, I thought, Oh, great march, I've got to start somehow getting ready to go to this thing. Sure. And if I hadn't been kind of made on some of the circles, I'm in on and heard about some of the controversy from the very beginning, you know, I'd still be putting money aside and saying, hey, I want to go to this thing. And don't forget making all the sacrifices.

 Jimmy Carper 21:33

And don't forget, from the very beginning there, it wasn't a mark.

 Gigi 21:36

Yeah. And wanting to be a part of history. And I think that's the feeling out there for a lot of folks is that, you know, I wanted to be a part of that history, I want to make a difference. I don't know how we get the three marches, we're, and there's this kind of broken promise, I feel with this March. It's like, if you go, there's this promise that you're going to be a part of history. And that if you're an activist, you never need to sacrifice everything and get there somehow or another and spend some money. And

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it's whether whether you stay or you go, you are a part of history, by either attending or not attending, you're a part of history, because we can't say that history only happens in Washington, DC, right? And we need to wake up and realize that now that by staying at home, we may find more important work to do at home, by listening and reading editorials by looking at articles and reading between the lines about what's happening. It's very important work for our community.

 Jimmy Carper 22:46

That's right. And that was part of my original thought on it. It's like, we've had three marches. The whole idea is for America, to recognize that we're there. They know we're there. Now. Now it's time to march that to work on the grassroots the stuff at home, the local issues, the local laws, change knows.



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Some interesting things have come out of this. And I'm hoping that they'll come out in your community, too, that people will host forums to say, why did this happen? How did we let this happen? I think it's very easy for us to point the blame at the organizers and say, Look what they did, but it's not what they did. It's what all of us have let happen.



Gigi 23:32

And, you know, I think another thing, too, and you know, I think EBh tall anything was that, you know, the quality does begin it doesn't begin in Washington, Washington's a good way to show our strength our numbers,



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it's an important way, you know, suppose that we have some other national issues that come up, we get angry, and we say, you know, look, a kid was crucified in Texas, just for being gay, and we're not going to take it anymore. We want to use that as a chance to say we want basic protections. We want hate crime, legislation, or end. We know when there's a compelling reason you come to Washington with your fist raised, and you say, we're not going to take it anymore. And that's the time to come to Washington, right. But this time, it's just it's a rally. It's a visibility, action and visibility actions have their place. But those visibility actions happen in these commercial venues in State pride days all across the US.



Gigi 24:47

And, and then the BH that happened all over the and I'm hoping that we see another UBH we have to we have to I mean, it's the state levels, local levels that we've got Gotta get involved that



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now if they had decided to call it the family reunion on the mall. Yeah. And we did it as a visibility March and we've do it as a party. That's fine. You don't call it a march, because the March has a specific meaning. And justice that has happened here locally in DC, people have come together and decided that they're going to have a boycott of the March on Washington, because that word has a specific meaning. And people need to choose their words carefully. You know, if you're going to march, march, don't promenade if you're gonna stay at home, stay at home if you're gonna boycott boycott. But whatever you do, do it with intention.



Gigi 25:43

Yeah. And what, you know, now we've got a lot of people that are listening and are hearing, you know, this side of the argument for the first time.



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Well, I wonder if the people listening in here this as just a bunch of complaining more if they have spent time to look at the issues, and realize that at the heart of the matter, is the soul of the lesbian and gay community, you know, unless Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer searching, the whole community is represented. In sounds like just a cat fight among some, you know, some old queens in a corner. But it's much more than that.



Gigi 26:25

It is. I mean, but the question I was gonna ask us, What can people do to kind of really be a backbone and the whole community? What kind of ideas? And I know I'm kind of putting you on the spot here. But what kind of things can people do other than go to this kind of?



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Well? Well, one of the things you might do is to hold a millenary. March on Washington, maybe host a, a millenary. March in your local area, to show our true queer colors. At the same time that the Millennium march on Washington is happening, but do it locally. And then pop in videotapes, I'm sure somebody in your community has the videotapes of, of the past marches. And then you can sit and watch a real March. So maybe people could host video parties that with the 7987 and 93. March on Washington, and use it as a fundraiser, you know, have a potluck, and everybody chip in five bucks, seven bucks, and take that money, and have a discussion and print up what their discussion was all about, and what they'd like to see done at home.



Gigi 27:53

Sounds good? Before we go further, sure. You want to see if anybody listening has questions, they can feel free to call and, and unfortunately, we won't be able to put you on the air. But what we can do is have them write down your questions, and then we'll read them off. And so anybody that has questions for Eric with the ad hoc committee for an open process,



Jimmy Carper 28:18


call 713526573852 6k P F.





Gigi 28:27


T. Jimmy knows I have a bad head for numbers. I'm a dizzy queen. But anyway, call if you have a question, because here's your opportunity. We are talking to Eric in Washington, DC, he is with the ad hoc committee for an open process. And what is


 Jimmy Carper 28:48
that? That website again,


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let me look here. Basically, I'd like to give you an equal opportunity. With the open process, we ask people to look at both sides of the issue, not just our side, and you can go to www.mmow.com and www.mmow.org. O RG. And by looking at those two websites, you'll see both sides of the issue.

 Gigi 29:23
And you know that part of what I wanted to do with this show was not to say you're the bad guys were the good guys. I wanted to say, you know, here's some information for people make an informed choice before you go to this March. Search all sides of it, you know, and make a decision for yourself. Don't rely on what we're saying. Don't rely on what others say. You know, find out the facts find out the information,

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sir. We have to have a way to have an open process locally and state level regionally and nationally.

 Gigi 29:59
And You know, it's like, to me, that's what's at the heart of the matter is that, you know, some people got together behind closed doors and made decisions. And, you know, to me what's, you know, I'm real active in the bisexual community, and part of my activity is that it is my family of choice. And, you know, everything we do, and by net USA is on the modified consensus model. Basically, we make decisions after we've carefully deliberated everything. And if there's any objections, we go through it, and through it, and through it, it's a painfully long process. But by the time we get through it all, we either agree 100% minus one or two, or we let it die.

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But it's important to have everyone in discussions.

 Gigi 30:57
And we hear all sides of the equation. And that's all I'm wanting to do on this show tonight with the ad hoc committee was to say, hey, there's other sides to the Millennium March, here are all the sides here, all the issues before you go, before you jump into this, kind of explore it and see what's going on for yourself.



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I think critical thinking skills are important. You know, anytime we do anything, it shows what our what we're about. It shows where our principles are. And if you decide to come to Washington, think about what you're doing before you come.



Gigi 31:38

And for those that do go the march, you know, I do hope some people are there that are kind of very careful listeners, listen to what's happening, see what's going on. And don't be afraid to raise the questions.



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Yeah, I think that there have been a lot of fear tactics, that especially now when we're eight weeks before the event, people are saying, Oh, you've got to do it, we can't back out now. And there are times to take stance.



Gigi 32:14

And, you know, I hate to see any event in the whole community come up bad because it makes us all look bad.



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But I think it's important for us to not just place blame. We need to also look at this and say, Well, what did I do to contribute to the number of people that show up? And what the numbers mean, anyway? What what are the lessons that we've learned from this process. But also,



Gigi 32:47

we also need to look at, you know, how we communicate with one another. And this is something we've raised on this show many times is that, you know, we've got to talk to one another. We've got to work together as a whole community. Otherwise, we're just going to be winding up in tailspins like this. You know, if we don't work, gays, lesbians, bys, trans lather, you name it, if we don't join together and work collectively, we're gonna fall individually



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and seek to come together. And when we realize that not everyone is there, we have to ask the question, why isn't everyone there? And what can we do to for all of us to move ahead together?



Gigi 33:36

Once again, opening communications talking to one another, and basically reaching a consensus, reaching a platform that we all you know, we're not all going to agree on everything. But what we can do is look at what's going on in our community and say, Hey, these are the things we can all stand behind and stand behind this together.



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I think that we would definitely be a lot further ahead. If if our focus right now was on ENDA, looking at basic rights for everyone, and finding out how we can expand the language to include the whole lesbian and gay community. And getting that message across that we you know, these other focuses on gay marriage and things like that are are important and their options for the community. But we need to prioritize, I think that the right to have jobs, and the right to equal housing, and the basic protections that are afforded to everyone that has to be passed first.



Gigi 34:45

While I'm getting the wrap up son from already, or boy, that time just flew bad and is there anything that you'd like to kind of throw in as a wrap up and he kind of I



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think that it's important. Sure, I think that it's important for our communities to spend time listening and talking. Otherwise, this is gonna get categorized as a catfight. Otherwise blame is going to be thrown around. And we're going to end up not listening to each other and not learning lessons. It's way past the time for a board like the, like the Millennium march on Washington, to have to be reminded about race issues, class issues, the whole gamut of issues, that we're not just a gay issue oriented community, but that we take everyone into account and everyone moves ahead together, and find ways that we can do that in an open process.



Gigi 35:49

Well, thank you for being with us. It's been a wonderful show. And boy, it has flown by Sure. I mean, did you have anything less questions?




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No, no, I




Iimmv Carner 36:00


 Jimmy Carper 36:00
died. I just stay in the background. Let the experts do the tongue.


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Well, I appreciate the work that you're doing to open up a process. It's it's really important that we think and talk regardless of where we come out on the issue.


 Gigi 36:15
Yeah. Well, thanks again for being with us on after hours.


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Glad to be there. Take care. You too. Bye. Bye.


 Jimmy Carper 36:25
The Kinsey six with gay straight or bye. Bye bye. Bye.

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Buy buy baby.

 Jimmy Carper 36:34
And that's yeah, it's just about Bye. Bye. Talks about

 Gigi 36:38
unfortunately, goodbye. Didn't need radio.

 Jimmy Carper 36:41
I know. And it's been so much fun. Playing all about my face that close to an open crotch in a long time. Still sniffed my opinion. Yes, I did. Did they smell good? Yes, they did. We tell it all. Inhale. Do you have pennies?

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Well, not on. They're not. They're not currently



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said left? Oh, yes. Yes. Oh, they're right there.



Jimmy Carper 37:14

Anyway, thank you. Thank you, Gigi. And Scott.



Gigi 37:18

Yes. And we want to thank Eric, for being on the show. You bet.



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Thank Jimmy as always for having us on the show. And



Jimmy Carper 37:28

well, I knew we did tonight, folks.



Gigi 37:33

And I do want to bring up one last little synopsis of it. You know, I knew this was going to be a little bit of a controversy. Talking a little bit about opposing something within our community. Yes. I've never heard that. Yeah, I've kind



Jimmy Carper 37:48

of like not talked about it, because I almost didn't want to get into it.



Gigi 37:52

And but I think it's important that we look at what we do. And how we do things as a community. Yes. And we question ourselves, it just makes us stronger. I guess, whether we're against it or for it, you know, when I think that's the thing that I've been seeing everywhere, so that but he's afraid to question this thing.



Jimmy Carper 38:17

Because you're afraid to look like a snail short. You know, that's, that's. I think that's been with

because you're afraid to look like a spoon sport. You know, that's, that's, I think that's been with me.

 Gigi 38:23

Yeah. And, you know, we have to question this, because some things are not right with.

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What I've found in my experience is that if there is a problem with anything at all, I'm not talking Millennium March, I'm talking anything we have a problem with, it's best for us to talk about it with others and get it out in the open. Don't hide behind doors. I'm not into that anymore. I used to be believed me, but it's much better I've found to just discuss the issue. Even if I'm wrong. I'd rather have someone tell me I'm wrong than think I'm right.

 Gigi 38:56

And, you know, the thing I see, you know, the things I've seen around Millennium marches that there has been so much subversive activity around it, you know, so much cars being pushed into things that they wouldn't normally do within the

 Jimmy Carper 39:12

community. Oh, I know. And, you know,

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there's a funny thing that happens when you do talk about it. Any of that activity, if it's occurring, usually stops. If it's not occurring, it comes out that no, this never was really subversive or it wasn't it wasn't intended that way. So even they're just talking about it, the truth will come out.

 Gigi 39:32

You know, part of me was really a little jittery about bringing this out. But part of me was very much for it in the sense that, you know, where my heart and soul is, is a unifying and building a stronger, whole GLBT community. And that's where I see the marches falling short. I do too. And that's why I had to raise my questions and say, look, let's rethink, re look at this whole situation. And no matter what happens in Washington during the march, whether you go or don't go. You know, what's important is that we stand together as a whole community, that we become unified, and that we are able to work and not leave one segment out at the expense of another. That's right. We need to stand together, or we're going to die separately. And I think the only way to do a march and how the first three marches occurred was that they had a unified for



Jimmy Carper 40:45

the first one, I want to, I didn't get a chance to say it when Eric was on the phone, but the very first March it was the brainchild of several people, one in particular, one person in particular, Harvey Milk. Yeah, it was his brainchild. And no matter what anybody tells you what who knew no matter who tries to write Taylor history? That's right. It was Harvey



Gigi 41:14

Milk was Harvey Milk and I remember that and that's Ms. TJ



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Okay, JC Thank you.



Gigi 41:24

Anyway, I do think about this. I know we bring a serious subject tonight which is really off base for Miss GJ you slam campy as all hell. But



Jimmy Carper 41:37

well, it's been amazing watching you. Both of you carry on very serious conversation in the nude. Oh, it's been fun, but that, that we shouldn't wait so long to do it again. Oh,



Gigi 41:53

it's gonna be a continuing event.



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I don't think that'll be a problem. Oh, goody,



Gigi 41:59


goody, goody, goody. David radio from here on out. Okay,




Jimmy Carper 42:02

I've got some outgoing music and have it here first. Yes.

 Gigi 42:08
Queer radio with attitude and

 Jimmy Carper 42:09
nudity. That's right. Your outgoing music of course

 Gigi 42:13
is Oh my favorite. We are family. And your we have faith in you and all that you do.

 Jimmy Carper 42:22
And you're hearing it on after hours. KPFT Houston and ke o s College Station. Coming up is
news and views with big Roy and Chris