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SPEAKERS

Roy McCarthy, Jimmy Carper, Chris, Kirk Keevert

 Roy McCarthy 00:02

But you know, we cannot change the law of physics. You know, we do want people to be comfortable and and have a pleasant experience standing by cordwood

 Chris 00:11

is not the way to keep them there. No.

 Roy McCarthy 00:14

And, and also, we're also have state represented. It's not on my handout here, but I happen to know that we're also going to have state senator John wittmeyer. There. And I believe we may have one other member from the City Council showing up. But for sure, and he's Parker will be there, along with Chief Bradford. And, again, this invitation is open to whosoever will. Anybody who would like to come, please come, come early so you can get parking and sit up front and look, again, it's this coming Wednesday evening, folks. August 4 at 7:30pm at 501. Lovett Boulevard. That's about one block north of Westheimer.

 Chris 01:01

That's at Stanford. And I'm at Stanford. Oh, I opened my big mouth. I'm not sure.

 Roy McCarthy 01:11

Love me just sitting there. Jimmy. Yeah, it's this street. What's the cross street? The cross street for the Lord for the love it in?

J Jimmy Carper 01:21

Oh, Whitney,

C Chris 01:21

Whitney Whitney.

R Roy McCarthy 01:23

Okay, so right there one block. one block south of Westheimer. On Lovett Boulevard at Whitney. this coming Wednesday at 7:30pm.

C Chris 01:37

On Sunday, August 15. There'll be a special Galveston PFLAG meeting. The topic is going to be gay lesbian, bisexual, evolving gay, lesbian and bisexual questioning you. These featured presenter is going to be Harold Petrucci director of patch meeting will assist Galveston and determine whether or not there's a need to create a branch of hats in Galveston catch. That's come up with new letters. Just making it up as I go along. And Jimmy's not even listening. In cooperation with PFLAG as well as targeting members of the clergy, school administrators and faculty about this need for Safe Schools. Everyone is invited to attend. It will be held at 2pm at the Unitarian Church of Galveston County 502 Church street behind the water burger on the east end of Galveston Island. After this meeting, the monthly meetings of PFLAG Galveston will be at the offices of the AIDS coalition 1405 39th Street on the third Sunday of each month. If you have any questions, I would love to give you a phone number but there is not. How do you like that? You can write to them at PFLAG Galveston 5210 Bernardo de de Galvez, Dallas in Texas 77551. And hopefully we get a phone number on that next week if you want to give them a call.

R Roy McCarthy 03:07

Okay. They're still looking for volunteers for the HIV vaccine. They need 5000 volunteers for this right now they for Chris was telling me earlier this evening they have less than 100. Anyways, the requirements to participate in this study is that you must be HIV negative. He must be a man who has sex with men between the ages of 18 and 60 years old and be available for a 36 month participation. There I go with participation. And there is no possibility that the study vaccine can affect you with HIV. The vaccine is made from genetically engineered proteins, which make up the outer shell of the HIV virus. The vaccine does not contain any live virus material, and you will never be injected with HIV during this study. And if you would like to participate in this, call them toll free at 877-682-9436. That's 877-682-9436 And as always, in any kind of scientific study, one group will have the actual vaccine another group will have the placebo. After the close of the study you will be told whether you received the vaccine or the placebo. If the vaccine is licensed, anyone in the placebo group will be offered the vaccine at no charge.

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Chris 04:51

All right. Coming up in a few hours on Sunday August 1, the garden party 24 Dog Patch a hillbilly Hootenanny of a hoedown for to culture extravaganza. It's Jethro Jeff Green bodines coming out party held at the Green Acres of the Brazos River bottom club 2.4 100 Raza street party time is 4pm to 8pm hillbilly or cocktail attire requested that is benefiting Stephens house and the ticket price. Nope, doesn't have take a price on there. You

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Roy McCarthy 05:39

hopefully be able to get that at the at the door if

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Chris 05:43

they still have some available but hurry because like I said that is at four o'clock this afternoon.

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Roy McCarthy 05:48

Okay, now, the state is not the only group of people that we can adopt children from from there's private adoption agencies, and family the family adoption service. And it's an adoption networking agency is in partnership with several nonprofit adoption agencies, who are dedicated to finding loving home for 1000s of orphans from around the world, and from many different countries. And these people are sponsoring a free workshop for prospective adoptive parents seek more information about adopting children from other countries, single men and women and couples for that matter, from ages 25 to 57 years old are eligible to adopt. And it's going to be at the first colony library at 2121 Austin Parkway in Sugar Land. And it's going to be held Thursday, August 19 at 6:30pm till 8:30pm. And if you'd like more information, call Maxine at 713-219-1472. Or you can email at fam to fam@aol.com for further information.

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Chris 07:05

And now we have from the immortal words words of William Shakespeare to suck or not to suck.

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Jimmy Carper 07:12

A forum that is the question, a forum that answers

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Chris 07:15

the question. Then from the old commercials, how many licks does it take to get to the truth about oral sex and HIV sounds

J Jimmy Carper 07:23

like Michael Crawford's in on this sounds like something he'd do.

C Chris 07:28

It sounds like a fabulous boys network thing. Wednesday, August 11, from seven to nine at the Lesbian Gay community center at 803. Hawthorne, will be informed about oral sex and HIV sponsored by the fabulous boys network. For more information, call 713-874-0798. Or you can email them at fabulous_boys@yahoo.com. And I must say they picked a beautiful poster boy for that.

J Jimmy Carper 08:03

Can we talk about that for a little bit? Go ahead. Oh, I didn't see that. Oh, you didn't see that. Now Rich has some some info on that.

♂ 08:11

A few years back, I think the Center for AIDS and in conjunction with another group. And I don't remember to had a big seminar. I think it was at the DoubleTree Hotel, on the same issue about the dangers associated with oral sex. And it was one of the most well attended things they'd ever had. And that's right. Everybody's into oral that there was a lot of discussion about the subject as you can well imagine. And no conclusion and no conclusion. And I think here we are, I think it was it's probably three years later now. I wonder if the conclusions will be any different?

J Jimmy Carper 08:48

I bet not? I bet not.

♂ 08:50

It's it's a weird, I don't know. It's a real quandary for the medical community sure quandary for gay men, you know, who who whose avenues for sexual expression are becoming more and more limited.

J Jimmy Carper 09:07

And from a standpoint of advocacy, as someone involved in AIDS organization or someone involved in the media, we just can't go out and say hey, go do it.



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And I think it's because



J Jimmy Carper 09:24

we don't know we don't the answer, there is no answer. And so you cannot say Oh, go ahead and not use a condom because we don't know.



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Right. And I think with most things with regards to HIV and AIDS, so much of this is is done on a patient by patient base Oh, yes. What works for you Jimmy may not work for someone Yes. And, and I find that you know, that HIV and AIDS affects each person differently. It can affect each person in a different part of their body. You know, some people it affects them in their guts and affects them in their central nervous system. And I think But the problem with what we see in the gay community is a lot of gay men are saying, well, the hell with this, you know, if I can't do this, what can I do? You know, what, what is the point? Where is my method of self expression sexually as a gay male? Yeah. And I think a lot of people are just saying, Well, I'm gonna do what I want to do, and the heck with it, because this is really the only thing that I have left, to me that that identifies.



J Jimmy Carper 10:30

I think the big problem here is that it cannot be determined on a strict scientific basis, because you are relying on people's information about their own sex life. And they're gonna lie,



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right one of the I went to a presentation the other day, by Barbara Hendricks, who is a she's a sexologist, and she works with sexual addiction and addiction. One of the things she was most emphatic about was she said that any anybody written regarding their sex life, whatever they tell you, there's always more. Yeah, that's her first point. And even though, you know, guys say, you know, to researchers, to counselors to case managers, oh, I do this, and I do this, and I do this. There's always more. And I think this is a very, this remains, I think, the preeminent topic in the mind of the gay male as far as what what defines safe sex. So,



J Jimmy Carper 11:29

so where's that again,



C Chris 11:30

it will be at the Lesbian Gay community center at 803. Hawthorne on Wednesday, August 11,

from four to 9pm.



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And I think the fabulous boys network, I know they did a body image forum they've done they're they're starting to really focus on some things that are really at the forefront of the game on Yeah. And I think they're to be commended for that. But this is, this is definitely something that I think everybody should go to you that it's it's one of those unresolved issues. And we need to have as much knowledge and as much discussion about the scientific facts that are available to you. Ultimately, I think people have to make up their own mind as to what they're comfortable doing, what they feel secure and doing, how comfortable they feel about their specific partner, and what their attitudes are about their relationship.



Jimmy Carper 12:23

And this just doesn't this is just not for the queer community. This is for everyone. Sure.



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Because basically, I mean, sex in the 80s. And 90s is about negotiation. Sure, you know, you didn't used to have to negotiate sex, you just did it. Well, now people negotiate, negotiate what you're comfortable with? Yeah, what's your partner is comfortable with, you know, there's a lot of sex researchers, you know, have this thing about what they call the sexual continuum, basically, on one side is is abstinence and on the other side is unprotected anal sex without a condom. And everything basically falls in between sure that and so you really, as individuals, you figure out where you fall on that continuum, what you're comfortable with what your partner is comfortable with. And I think the fabulous boys network is kind of hit the nail on the head, so to speak, with this topic,



Roy McCarthy 13:16

and I'll say this the fabulous boys network today. Another recent seminar study on on bear backing, protected animals that was a very controversial, very well attended event. Well, that's Michael Crawford.



Jimmy Carper 13:31

You know, he's just gonna He's gonna ask those questions. He's, he's,



Roy McCarthy 13:35

somebody doesn't need to ask, he doesn't shy away

J Jimmy Carper 13:37
from no

C Chris 13:40
help with the advertising that he puts out.

J Jimmy Carper 13:43
It's really hot looking. Well, that's the whole idea. That's how you get people in

♂ 13:48
is this Is this the one that Paul Simmons from the Center for AIDS is involved with by any chance is one of the presenters here.

C Chris 13:55
It doesn't list any of these speakers. It's just, it's just one of those little teasers.

♂ 13:59
Let me give a little a little plug for poster or the Center for AIDS. For those of you who don't know, the Center for AIDS is a treatment advocacy. Organization.

J Jimmy Carper 14:10
Okay, hold on treatment, advocacy. What does that mean? Okay,

♂ 14:14
basically, my understanding my understanding of treatment advocacy is the folks at the Center for AIDS and if anybody's listening from there, they can certainly call in and clarify Of course, what they do. They basically they talk with drug companies, they talk with doctors, they try to inform people about the different treatments that are that are available, and they a lot of that information. They published the what is I think, the preeminent newsletter in the southwest called Rita which was Research Initiative Treatment Action, which is really aimed towards medical providers and people heavily involved in the treatment side of AIDS. Joel Martinez. Michael, Toronto, and Paul, are are heavily involved in figuring out what the treatments are figuring out, you know what, what you can take them a history of your treatment as an HIV positive person, and Paul will sit down with you and and guide you, in addition to information from your doctor, in terms of what what the best treatment for you is, I know they have

monthly gatherings that they call treatment mixers. And these are basically sessions where a bunch of HIV positive guys sit around a table and they talk about different treatment issues. They talk about, you know, what are T cells? What is viral load? What is the myth of reinfection? You know, what are the side effects? How do you handle these things? And it, it does a lot of things, it helps people to realize that there are other people that are in the same boat. And it also gives you good information. So I know, Paul is Paul has had some Paul has some very strong views

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Jimmy Carper 16:00

on how I need to go to one of those. Yeah,

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it's a great, it's a great way to meet other HIV positive guys. It's a great way to get information. I kind of we've done some coverage with them on the voice. And I think it's it's you walk into their center, and they're right at the top on Hawthorne in new park, right. You walk into their center, and you see a square building that has nothing but shelves and shelves and shelves of research, litter, literature, documentation, study results, you can get on the internet there. You can call them and ask for questions, ask questions of them, to great staff. Michael paronto is HIV positive and very out about it. Joel Martinez who who found it, he and Michael founded the Center. The two of them have just an extensive extensive research background and AIDS and they were they were working with AIDS before anyone else was. And there there are some terrific organizations in town but that that group is one of the best.

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Jimmy Carper 17:00

And I just I know we're interrupting the news here with this, but I wanted to put out that and it's it'd be who's the gay, the core community that we were the ones who stood up and said, Okay, we got we got to help our own here. And that's why we have the organization's we have today.

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And I think Michael Crawford is is continuing to do that by by asking these tough questions that

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Roy McCarthy 17:31

I'll say this that through no thanks to the the Republican administrations that we had when we got it. You know, we had to look after our own without any help and from with a lot of criticism from the street society. Okay, like to move right along with the sorry to some other.

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Jimmy Carper 17:53

Yeah, well, I want to give a farmer market report. Oh,

R Roy McCarthy 17:57

oh, yes, we gotta get that for that.

J Jimmy Carper 18:00

Scratch latest Market report. Okay. The Farmer Market Report is brought to you by a friend of mine who pulls the escorts in town. And lets you know, a little information about what's going on there.

R Roy McCarthy 18:19

Oh, that's the profit sharing. They share. There you go double.

J Jimmy Carper 18:24

There were two new people for a total of 45 currently advertising and gay publications and other other areas. And my sources wondering if this is way probably kind of way too many for the market. Of those we have mystery shops 78% The range as always is 50 to \$200. The average is \$104. And, and that that went up a little bit because there was a visiting star asking for \$200 last week and you know that kind of

K Kirk Keevert 19:00

question to I'm sorry, yes. Back to that. That first statistic you read. What was that mystery?

J Jimmy Carper 19:06

Mystery shop mystery shopped. That means that they call okay. Yeah, they call crisis. Yeah.

C Chris 19:16

Just checks the quantity of the wallet. You need not the quality of what your purchases

J Jimmy Carper 19:21

do most frequent frequent numbers \$80 and \$100. It's for a visit from an escort and that's the weekly farmers market.

R Roy McCarthy 19:34

profit sharing program sticks that are useful

J Jimmy Carper 19:40

No, no, no. That that this is the edge and I'm standing on it. That's it.

R Roy McCarthy 19:51

You're not going to get this stuff on the FNN. New New, okay want to speak about another minority group. That's SynTec that, you know, is here in Houston and we do not talk about them enough. And that's called the black lesbian and gay coalition. And they meet every Monday between seven and 9pm. And that to provide leadership visible leadership among the black, lesbian and gay community, and they meet at Houston lesbian gay community center at 803 Hawthorne. And if you'd like more information call Benita Kirk at area code 713-801-7386. And Chris has got another fundraiser for us from the names project.

C Chris 20:37

The names project hopes to help you clean out your closet for its monthly garage sale which is going on right now. July 31, and August 1 at 200 California at wall that's behind slick Willie's if you want to clean out your closet and donate to them, they accept donations at 4617 Montrose I guess the sweetest see 1414 Take 24617 Montrose sweet see 140 Each weekend from one to 5pm. For more information call 713-526-2637.

R Roy McCarthy 21:20

Okay, and here's a very important piece of news especially for people like me. My cat you y'all may remember about to in two and a half years or so ago I talked about my cat that I got as a Christmas present. They saved it from getting put to sleep. Anyways, she's had she's just had her fourth litter. And thankfully, I've gotten good homes for all the kittens

C Chris 21:50

that I've just never seen the prices right it's time to spay and neuter.

R Roy McCarthy 21:53

Talking about spay and neuter is the spay and neuter Assistance Program will provide free free spay and neutering, rabies vaccines and city licenses for animals belonging to qualifying low income Dog and Cat Guardians at the following location, Tuesday, August 3, at the west end multi Service Center at 170 Heights Boulevard and on Tuesday, at the end of the month, August 31. For qualifications and transportation information, please call area code 713-522-2337. And if you don't have a pet to homeless pet placement legal is a Houston area nonprofit

animal welfare organization. And they provide for the rehabilitation of stray and abandoned cats and dogs. Through its unique foster care program. All animals are spayed and neutered and have their first set of shots. And if you'd like to adopt one of them, you can call them for more information at 713-862-7387. Or you can view them at the website@hpl.org

C Chris 23:09

are you doing shouting? No. He was shouting was hurting my ears. And one little last bit here of entertainment news. Some other movies you can find on the internet that's gonna be coming here to Houston. not to step on our guests toes. Because one of these movies I sent him a postcard from and

J Jimmy Carper 23:31

you certainly did. And thank you so Oh, yes.

C Chris 23:33

And I'm gonna go down and pick up their soundtrack just to find out about this song. And Jimmy's not listening because he'd love to hear the name of the song stuff. I'll tell him later.

R Roy McCarthy 23:42

What's the one song

C Chris 23:44

como take Gustavo meeting oops. On the soundtrack of one of the movies coming out at the end of the month,

J Jimmy Carper 23:54

I know what that last word is

C Chris 23:55

almost a ghost on me being there are a couple of songs on here that I think we're that we could work good on the show. I think Jason may like some of these dance mix versions. Even dream weaver they got a dance remix version in here. And it's the movie called trick. It's one of the it's it's one of the two new guests you can say coming of age gay movies that are going to be coming out in the here in August. The difference is these are both American films, which is a nice change trick supposedly is gonna be coming here to Houston August 20. And you're gonna find out some more information about it. You can go to their website, which is www dot TriC

movie.com. You can get these cute little postcards they have. There's also information about a contest that they're running with the advocate for a trip for two to Mykonos Island. For five nights Mykonos Mykonos. I move to Greek island. This so you can download from songs. You can get some song from their soundtrack For information on that from their site, and there's also some other contests that they're running, that's at trick movie.com. There's another movie coming out, supposedly this next week called Edge of 17, which is also stars Leah de Leiria. From what I have seen, she is playing a part of barkeep in this movie, and for more information on this movie, you can go to www.strand.com. And that's their film producer, strand release and get some more information on that. Both of those also have you can get little trailers you can download off the internet, and some of the movie some of the soundtracks as well. So look for those coming up here. In towards the end of the month here end of edge of 17. And trick you'll also find them at Moviefone. And as soon as fo n e.com Oh, you know that through popcorn q.com.

 R Roy McCarthy 25:57

Okay, now I'd like to thank the following news sources for this week's contribution to the news had net the voice to triangle and different flyers that different groups have sent us. That's right. And that's it for this week's edition,

 C Chris 26:12

especially the information can or the community centers. That's where I got this

 R Roy McCarthy 26:16

and that's it for this week's edition of after hours news and views come back again, listen to us again next week with some more craziness.

 C Chris 26:23

If you want to send us information about upcoming events it is after hours kpft@hotmail.com

 R Roy McCarthy 26:30

Don't forget show up this week at the at the love it in for the for police chief Bradford to answer the face to face to the community for the bar race.

 J Jimmy Carper 26:42

Yes. Okay. Thanks, guys. We were talking very briefly about to soccer not to suck and what safe sex means in this in this community. I've got a little piece of music along those lines. Your that you're going to listen on KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station. Yes. This is after hours career radio with attitude. Another one from Rainbow flavor. And I am so happy to bring hip

hop, gay queer hip hip hop to the Houston audience and this is called undercover freak. I think you're gonna like it. Man out here Oh, Rainbow Dave I with undercover freak. I like that stuff. What do you think of it? You too rich? gurgles

K Kirk Keevert 27:51

I'm okay. I'm I'm undercover the night that was a Rolling Stone song.

J Jimmy Carper 27:58

I'm the number freak Well, yeah,

K Kirk Keevert 28:00

but the but they were they were the undercover the night part. That was that was a Rolling Stones thing. I you know, I'm sorry. I'm just not a big hip hop guy. There

J Jimmy Carper 28:09

we go.

K Kirk Keevert 28:09

I you know, I gotta be honest. Yeah,

J Jimmy Carper 28:11

I'm not. I'm not. I'm not really into it either. But I really like because it's clear. Yeah, yeah.

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I like the lira. There you go. Yeah. You know,

J Jimmy Carper 28:21

that's, that's one of the things I really like. And I've said this many times before, when we're talking about safe sex, I'm an old fart. And teens out there are not going to listen to what I have to say about safe sex. But what if I can get somebody some group like rainbow flavor? You know, to say what, what I want to say it's going to reach more ears.



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There's an interesting line in there. But he says Come on, let's do it. And he says, Oh, give me another drink, I think I think is the law. Which I that's pretty compelling. Yes.



J Jimmy Carper 28:54

Isn't it isn't it? Anyway, new group new group. I've been waiting two months for this CD to come in. Well, I've got some other stuff on there. I'm going to be playing in future weeks. Oh, no. And later on in this show, I'll be playing that song for Robin groove around the world. And if you'd like to request the music or dedicate some music on this show, give us a call right now. 526-573-8526 KPFT that of



K Kirk Keevert 29:29

course the 713 area code of course



J Jimmy Carper 29:31

ism. This is the TROs baby pro



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fashionable 713



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crime free minor



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it used to be that you were geographically undesirable and now your area code undesirable
Yeah, it's like someone gives you a card and has to wait one on it. You're like later buddy.



K Kirk Keevert 29:49

Yeah, exactly. I'm actually considering moving. Closer, ran out no clothes In funny,



J Jimmy Carper 30:01

well I know you're really

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Kirk Keevert 30:02

close. Yeah. No, actually outside the loop but just barely. I mean, it's still 713 That's the saving grace.

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Yeah, but it's but it's not a five to exchange is it? No,

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Kirk Keevert 30:13

it's not. That's gonna be that's gonna be the hard part to deal with.

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You've cut it's like smoking you cut your dating prospects in half.

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Kirk Keevert 30:20

Oh, that was subtle. Oh, do you smoke?

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Jimmy Carper 30:26

Yes, he does like us so what is it with smoking? Hardly anybody doesn't

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Kirk Keevert 30:37

I know. But you know what? I found one that does and and we smoke after sex. It's It's It's

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Jimmy Carper 30:43

boy. It's really great. Yeah, it really is. Yeah.

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I don't know. I got caught smoking when I was 12. My little sister and I got caught smoking in the attic of all places. What a place to smoke a cigarette. We smoked cools and every time I see a cool I think of that childhood memory. You know, those, that menthol flavoring? I don't know. I mean, Jimmy, you smoke, don't you? I did. Okay, I

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Jimmy Carper 31:08

quit about five years ago, but I smoked for many, many years. And I smoked a lot. And they smoked Ellen M's.

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Jimmy Carper 31:16

It's close. Yeah, it's a strong cigar. And yeah, and I smoked three packs a day.

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I mean, I don't know I I, you know, the, the classic thing for me is when a when a guy lights up a cigarette. He goes from hero to zero. Wow.

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Kirk Keevert 31:34

And, you know, I've, I've come across that before. And, you know, that's fine. I I don't I don't I don't want that to be an issue with somebody you know, that I'm that I'm hanging with? Yeah, you're right. Um, I mean, I've got I've got plenty of friends that don't smoke and we don't date. So

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would you quit for some? If you were if you were involved with someone asked you to quit? Would you do it? No.

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Kirk Keevert 32:00

No. The only way I would quit would be for myself. I wouldn't do it for somebody else.

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Jimmy Carper 32:07

And I got to say that's about the only reason that you should do it yourself. Yeah, that's I did it because of of health reasons. I really had to Yeah. When that because when I smoked it was you know, people that were smoking pot, sometimes, you know, when they saw me with a cigarette, but there, you know, for when it gets to the point where you have to sleep sitting up

because you can't lay down. Yeah, because all you do is cough, then you need to do something now and it's I quit. I miss it a lot. I loved smoking. I really enjoyed it. And I wish I could do it again. But



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we'll come up with a more acceptable addiction. You know, something? Oh, I did. I've



J Jimmy Carper 32:48

always done that.



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I'm sorry, I wasn't really being specific. And I'm scared to take this any further.



K Kirk Keevert 32:58

Look at the track marks.



J Jimmy Carper 33:00

No, no, no, no, no. We're talking about some oral fixation things here. Oh, there you are. Yes. Yeah. I mean, that's the way it is. Yeah, the way it is. Yeah,



K Kirk Keevert 33:13

I smoke I don't have I have I have no problem with it. I'm a size clean. I don't have a problem with that either. So but don't



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you deal with like a bit of a pariah right now with with, you know, people basically you go to parties and people say smoke outside.



K Kirk Keevert 33:28

I know, I know. Because I'll go smoke outside. I had I had on the fourth I had a group of people over to my place, because I live close to Buffalo Bayou Park. And, and it was, you know, a nice place for everybody just to meet and we walked over to the park. And none of them smoked. And I didn't smoke in my house while they were there. It was not a big deal. I don't

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know what it is my little sister who is also a lesbian. You're wanting to Yes, it does. Okay. She started smoking. She got involved in this relationship. And it was highly stressful. And she started smoke.

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Jimmy Carper 34:06

Oh, that's, that's not funny.

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And I was just like, I saw she she lives in Denver, and she came to Houston. And I met her and she was on my porch in tears over this young woman. She was involved with smoking a cigarette. I said, Paige, I've never seen you cry over a woman. And last time I checked, you didn't smoke. And she said, Well, I do now. It's like, what is it with smoking and stress? Yeah, relationship

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Jimmy Carper 34:31

is supposed to be a way to have stress reduction right there at your fingertips, so to speak, so to

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speak, especially for her.

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Jimmy Carper 34:41

You know, what is their deal? But 1015 years ago? You smoked anywhere. Yeah. When I first came to Houston in the late 60s. You could smoke not only in buildings but on the elevators.

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Kirk Keevert 34:57

Oh god I watched I watched the exorcist again recently yeah on DVD got wonderful. Anyway, um, there's a scene that just cracks me up. Though there are very few in that scene that would want you to do that. She the Ellen Burstyn is waiting in the hospital for the results of another test. And the doctor walks through the big doors and lights up in the hospital. Yes. Good time you could do that. Yeah, exactly.

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You know, if you're a nonsmoker, my best friend smokes against my, my advice from all corners, and I have become a slave to his addiction. Like if we go out to eat, he starts tapping his fingers on the table. And then we all of a sudden, you know, I like to sit and have a cup of coffee. And yeah, he's like, Well, we have to go now. Well, what he has to do, he has to go smoke a cigarette? Well, I have, I've become like this tagalong addict.

K Kirk Keevert 36:01

If I'm with a friend or a group of friends who doesn't smoke, and were at a restaurant, I, I will get up and go to the bar and smoke or, you know, go step outside and smoke. If I know that's what

J Jimmy Carper 36:13

people do now, but you're attentive. And I don't mind doing that. You know, it was you didn't even think about lighting up in someone's house when you went to visit. Just everybody had ashtrays, most people smoked. And this whole societal thing has changed and reversed itself in 10 years now. I mean, I have to explain to friends that they may smoke in my house. I have ashtrays, it's okay, they don't have to go outside. And for the most part, they won't do it. Yeah.

K Kirk Keevert 36:44

Oh, I won't. Absolutely. No, I won't. I won't smoke in someone's house who doesn't smoke.

J Jimmy Carper 36:48

And so you know, I'm just flabbergasted overall. Yeah.

K Kirk Keevert 36:54

I, I mean, as a smoker, I understand that. Now, there are more people that don't smoke than do Yeah. And and that's sort of the the trade off, you know, I have to

J Jimmy Carper 37:10

say, how come the bars are still so smoky. You go into a gay bar, and it's this blue haze? If so many people are not smoking anymore. What's the deal here?

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Well, it's not as bad here. I was in Montreal. Last year. I walked out walk, listen to this, right up to this bar. And I was out on the street walking towards this bar I don't remember was the darkest bar ever been in my entire life? I was in the door opens. And it looks like the building is

darkest bar ever seen in my entire life. I was in the door open, and it looks like the building is on fire. I mean, there is so much smoke pouring out of the door. I couldn't believe it. I thought oh my god. You know, I always complain about the bars in Houston, and have for years because I'm a nonsmoker. And smoke really bothers me. And but you go to other places in the world, and it's just like, it's worse. It's horrible. It's really horrible.

J Jimmy Carper 38:04

So, you know, still don't get it done.

K Kirk Keevert 38:07

As to why the bars are so smoky if nobody smokes anymore. It's it's, you know, it's a balancing act. For me. If I've got a drink in one hand that I want a cigarette in the other.

J Jimmy Carper 38:18

I know people only who only smoke in the bar. Right.

K Kirk Keevert 38:22

Right when they have a draw. I think there's a lot of that. Yeah, I think there's a whole lot of that.

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I don't think it's I think it's nerves.

J Jimmy Carper 38:28

Oh, yeah, I

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think that's nerves.

J Jimmy Carper 38:30

You're there. This this is bringing the queer angle back into it, folks. That you know, it's it's approaching someone. Yeah.



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And while we're on the subject of nerves, let's talk about we need answers in the bar. Notice I didn't use the bad word. Oh, I love to dance. Let's talk about them in the bar. Okay, here you are. What is the purpose of the average American gay bar? The average American gay bar is where average American gay men and women meet one another. Okay. Well, you know, here I am. I'm in my little polo and my little jeans and my little kids trying to look my very best. I combed my hair before I got out of my car. And I walk into the bar. And there's this guy that spends 46 hours a day in the gym on a box next to me with nothing on. Okay, here I am trying to meet my future ex husband. And what do I have to compete with? I have to compete with this. You know, this muscle head? And I'm like, well,



Kirk Keevert 39:30

well. Okay,



Jimmy Carper 39:32

you're very good looking. And you have huge long thing.



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Oh, thank you. Thank you.



Jimmy Carper 39:40

We have an after hours exclusive folks. Oh, do I don't have any drum music or anything like that. Big Roy.



Roy McCarthy 39:50

Yeah, right here.



Jimmy Carper 39:52

We got we got the we got the microphone. Who do you have with you?



Roy McCarthy 39:57

I have with me, Matt. was the doorman who was the doorman? And still is? Yeah, at the 611. Who was there? Who was there the night that the the raid happened during Great Pride Week?

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Jimmy Carper 40:11

Yes. There's been lots of controversy over that man. Tell us

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Roy McCarthy 40:15

exactly what happened. And I want you to know that we're being told that it was an inspection.

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Well, yes. Part what they were doing actually was I looked outside and there was like four or four cop cars. I pulled up close to undercover vans, what no one was a van. One was a link, Crown Victoria. And I said, the police are here and I let them all in. How many were there? Oh, there's about 20 of them the same way about 20 officers. But 20. Will about?

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Jimmy Carper 40:44

Well, you know, those those licenses are really heavy. It takes a couple of people.

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Well, also team at the bottom. I work and

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Jimmy Carper 40:52

it's also very small. Yes, it is. A small bar crowded

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there in one place. It looks kind of intimidating. But what I wish it was not actually because for one, we had no problems in the bar to begin with. So actually, it was kind of not really harassment, but it's kind of like saying, Okay, we're bad. We're here. Basically, you got to do what we say. And that's about it. Sure.

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Jimmy Carper 41:11

What did they what did they do when they

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came in? When they came in? It was like, first of all, they just like, told me, they asked me if I was a doorman. I said, Yes, I am. And they told me to go sit down by the bar. They went on,

they had they had the office open, they open up the coolers, and they check in the bars behind the bar here and see the but all the bottles and stuff like that. And they're checking people's they weren't checking IDs, actually, they're just checking, checking just the bar. Okay, and it turned all the lights on. They didn't let anybody out or anything with the bartender and the bartender came back, it was coming onto coming onto a shift. And they said no, you have to wait outside.

R Roy McCarthy 41:49

All right, so what time did this happen? It happened about

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989 10 somewhere 19 o'clock somewhere. Okay. It was a very weird just a very weird word not actually because they were there for about half an hour 45 minutes and then they said Okay, have a nice day and they just all laughed and then and then what the Jr's

R Roy McCarthy 42:10

30 to 45 minutes. Now I've heard conflicting reports that some of these officers showed up in flak jackets.

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Yeah, they had Houston PD written on they had a vise and also TNBC there

R Roy McCarthy 42:25

for an inspection with flak jackets, they had

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they had they were fully decked out yeah.

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What what was their attitude towards you? And the other paint

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was actually very, very quiet. Very calm. Really just they just basically they came in bombers. Basically, all was

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Jimmy Carper 42:46

let me ask you in. I don't know if you even know this. But after they left, did like most of the patrons like

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leave No, no. Well, when it came into doors, like three or four people wanted to leave, and to please tell them to stay inside the building. So they went back sat down, had had their cocktails, whatever they had, and it's just like, they were just contaminating actually. Yeah, it's like they were like they're all on the door all over here sitting over here.