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JIMMY CARPER: Oh, yes, you've tuned in to *After Hours*. We're radio with attitude right here on KPFT Houston 90.1 FM. The crew of *After Hours* is ready to bring you news, interviews dialogue and music geared for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people and their friends.

Here at After Hours we may be diverse, but we have one thing in common. We are all out of the closet and urge everyone to come out of their closets. That means standing up for yourself, taking responsibility for your own life, and being proud of who you are.

Realistically, we know not everyone can do that because of age, job, or frame of mind. That's OK. We're here for you too. So sit back, relax, and enjoy this week's edition of *After Hours*.

Ah, yes, hello Houston, hello College Station, hello-- um, wow. It's kind of crackly there-- and welcome to *After Hours*, queer radio with attitude. This is the November 24 edition, I'm Jimmy Carper. And in the background you're hearing music that you don't normally hear at this particular time. I usually do a couple of songs, do the opening, and come right on.

But tonight is the one-- well, I went to see *The Nutcracker*, and that's what you're hearing in the background, the closing waltz from *The Nutcracker*. And that was written, of course, by Tchaikovsky, a gay man. He wrote lots of beautiful music. Not only *The Nutcracker*, but *Swan Lake*, and *Sleeping Beauty*, and many, many, many, many, many other things.

So, you know, a lot of people go and see *The Nutcracker*, and you should, it's a beautiful ballet and wonderful music. And when you do, just realize that's a gay man that wrote that. And the music that you heard before was, let's see, I started out with the 4D-Ykes, that's a new group to *After Hours*-- I want to thank JD Doyle for this CD-- and I did the "Hetero Blues". And the more new music from Horse from her brand new CD *Hindsight-- It's a Wonderful Thing*. That was "Sea of Love".

And speaking of music, queer music, stay tuned this Monday night, the second half of lesbian and gay voices is the queer music heritage with JD Doyle. Every fourth Monday of the month. And I believe this is the fourth one, I'm hoping? Yes. Sure do hope.

Yes, anyway, heads up. Some hellos out there before we get to our main show, which is the first half of the show, we've got HATCH. The second half, we've got the Leather Line with Doug. So first of all, hello to Tom Richards. He's now moved to New Mexico for some unearthly reason. But that's what he needed to do. And so if you're listening to me on your computer, which you might be, hi there.

And some of our friends behind bars who write to us occasionally, there's Randy, and the other Randy, which is Hunter, and then Paul. We've got Bobby, we've got Richard, we've got Johnny Necessary, we've got Junior, and we've got George.

GEORGE: Hey, wait a minute, I'm right here.

JIMMY CARPER: I know.

[LAUGHTER]

I know. However, all of these guys write and they ask questions about the show, and they've learned a lot from the show. And actually all of them have asked in one letter or another if it's possible to have pen pals. And so I'm putting the word out. If you'd like to have a pen pal with one of the *After Hours* writers give us a call and we will hook you up.

OK, let's see. I've got some other things before we get to the HATCH group. Nah, let's just go. Let's just go there because we've got some music to start out with and we'll be right back.

[MUSIC PLAYING]

JUSTIN: Well, welcome to 90.1 KPFT HATCH radio show. And this month you are tapping the mike with Tara and Justin.

[TAPPING MICROPHONE]

[LAUGHTER]

Welcome, and this month we have me as your host, Tara as my co-host--

TARA: Hola.

JUSTIN: And who do we have on the other side of the booth?

SANDRA: Sandra.

TOMMY: Hey, it's Tommy.

JUSTIN: It's Tommy.

DAVID: It's David without a headset.

JUSTIN: Oh, poor David.

TOMMY: Use that one.

DAVID: It doesn't have an ear muff.

BRENDAN: Yes, it's Brendan sorry.

JUSTIN: Right, hi.

BRENDAN: I didn't realize It was my cue, sorry.

JUSTIN: Well, for those of us who I guess celebrate it last Thursday was Thanksgiving. And possibly many of us, I know I did, had some kind of family conflict, some kind of issue possibly with being gay and maybe had to go back--

SANDRA: Me.

JUSTIN: Pos-- yeah.

TARA: Me too.

SANDRA: No.

JUSTIN: Mm-hmm.

SANDRA: Who would have thought.

JUSTIN: So I guess we're going to devote the show to talking about that. Anybody have anything to say on this topic?

TOMMY: And why don't you start off by telling us--

DAVID: Who are you?

TOMMY: What your conflict was--

SANDRA: HATCH.

JUSTIN: Huh, my conflict?

TOMMY: Yeah, and why don't you tell a little bit about HATCH also. That might be good.

JUSTIN: Well, HATCH is Houston Area Teen Coalition Homosexuals and that is-- yeah, Houston Area Teen Coalition of Homosexuals and gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender youth. You can reach us at 713-942-7002. Leave a message and someone will get back to you.

TOMMY: That number took me so long to memorize.

DAVID: This isn't the Tommy show anymore.

TOMMY: It's all good.

JUSTIN: So yeah.

BRENDAN: Uh, is music playing? I couldn't tell.

SANDRA: Is there an issue?

BRENDAN: I'm talking, no one's listening.

JUSTIN: All right, well, my issue. This Thanksgiving, well, this Thanksgiving I had a boyfriend. And--

JIMMY CARPER: Had?

JUSTIN: Have, still have.

SANDRA: OK, just checking.

JUSTIN: Nothing insane happened.

SANDRA: We cooked him.

[LAUGHTER]

JUSTIN: We don't eat chicken, we eat turkey.

ALL: Oh.

[LAUGHTER]

JUSTIN: And my mom is also a lesbian, and we had the grandparents coming down from Kentucky this year. And so that was an issue for her because my grandmother's boyfriend George-- oh yes, I'm using names-- my grandma's boyfriend George doesn't know much about the world around him. He's kind of been stuck in a hole somewhere-- well, he's illiterate. He's like 80-something and illiterate. So it's just kind of the extent of how much he doesn't know about what's going on.

TOMMY: Is he taking classes at--

JUSTIN: No, he's not.

[LAUGHTER]

[INTERPOSING VOICES]

TOMMY: This lady I sit next to her in algebra, she teaches some 80-year-old man how to read. Well

JUSTIN: In Kentucky?

SANDRA: In Kentucky, Tommy?

TOMMY: Oh, I didn't hear in Kentucky.

JUSTIN: Oh, someone should pay attention. Well anyway and my mom wanted this to be Thanksgiving to be harmonious, and joyous, and special and so that she could bond with her mom, because growing up I guess she never got to really know her. And so she didn't want anything have any issues going on or anything like that. And so she was asking first it was a debate on whether or not I bring Colin, my boyfriend.

And then I eventually convinced her that, yeah, we'd go, and I wouldn't tell anybody that he was my boyfriend, he would just be a friend. I know, right? Which sucks anyway. It's like, first of all, I couldn't understand that-- I couldn't believe that she was asking me to go back in the closet. And her knowing what it's like, you know, her having been there, I just didn't understand why she was asking me to do that.

DAVID: Does she know-- does your grandmother know that your mother is a lesbian?

JUSTIN: Yes, everybody knows that my mom's a lesbian. And yeah, it's no secret in the family.

DAVID: Do they know you're gay?

JUSTIN: Not everybody. There's three people in my family that don't know. Three.

DAVID: How could they not know?

JUSTIN: Two of them live in Kentucky.

They're in Kentucky!

TOMMY: They don't know what lesbian means.

TARA: Ah, question answered.

TOMMY: Did you wear glitter to this Thanksgiving event?

JUSTIN: No.

SANDRA: No, you guys don't understand--

DAVID: He wore plaid.

SANDRA: --he has a special set of clothes for family. I've seen them, they're interesting.

[LAUGHTER]

Wouldn't happen to be a plaid suit or anything.

[INTERPOSING VOICES]

JUSTIN: Yes, yeah slacks. No, no. Well, like, I have been-- well, anyway, Colin and I's Thanksgiving plans kind of conflicted. We figured it would have worked out because my family had a late dinner and usually everybody eats like 2, 3 o'clock. But his family decided to have a late dinner as well, so we didn't get to go to each other's families and Thanksgiving and stuff like that.

So I went ahead and went and, like, halfway through the whole ordeal nobody says anything, it's fun, we're all together having a blast with my cousins. And my uncle Carl asked me, it's like, so, where's your girlfriend? I'm like, what? Because it's like, OK, OK, look, how do you not know? I don't understand.

SANDRA: Wasn't he at your birthday party?

JUSTIN: Yeah.

DAVID: Is he one of the three in the family that doesn't know?

JUSTIN: He's-- both of his sons are gay and he doesn't know it.

BRENDAN: Are they cute?

JUSTIN: No.

[LAUGHTER]

Not that they're ugly.

TOMMY: They're just his cousins.

DAVID: So, they're from Kentucky?

JUSTIN: Well, anyway-- no, my grandparents are from Kentucky.

DAVID: Well then wouldn't that make your grand-

JUSTIN: No, my cousins are all Texans. But anyway--

DAVID: They're from Kentucky.

JUSTIN: Like that makes it any better. And so what was I going to say? Where was I?

JIMMY CARPER: Your Uncle.

JUSTIN: My Uncle. My Uncle asks me and I'm just like no, Carl, I don't have a girlfriend, blah, blah. So he's like what about that chick at your birthday party, she was kind of affectionate towards you. I couldn't tell if he was talking about Claudia or my boyfriend, because at the time my boyfriend had long brown hair with red streaks. And so I was laying all over him because I don't care anymore, I just don't.

And he was on a birthday party. He should have understood at the time that hey, he's loving on that dude over there, he must be gay. So he was probably talking about my friend Claudia. He's like, that chick in all black? But my boyfriend was wearing black as well. Anyway, Claudia brought me at my birthday party, like, this bag wrapped with condoms--

SANDRA: Blown up.

JUSTIN: Yeah, fully blown condoms and I suppose

TARA: Blown up?

[LAUGHTER]

JUSTIN: Yeah, full blown. And so he thought, I guess he thought that was my girlfriend or something and it's-- he just, he's reaching, it's like, please don't be gay, please. So I don't know, if it ever becomes an issue, I want to be like, well, you don't have to worry about me because you've got two sons here you need to worry about.

But anyway that just really sucked. I kind of just walked away and went over to my cousin's room and just kind of sat there and just needed to be alone for a little while. Because it's really hard after being out so long to fold you up in a nice little box and roll your ass back into the closet. It's a really hard place to be.

TOMMY: What are you doing?

JIMMY CARPER: You know, and lot of people who are out of the closet do that for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

GUEST: I do.

JIMMY CARPER: There's always some aunt somewhere that doesn't know. I mean, yeah, I mean I'm the most professional faggot that you know--

[LAUGHTER]

DAVID: On his business card, professional faggot.

JIMMY CARPER: --and there's still people I'm not out to. How they don't know I do not-- I'm with you, yeah. How they don't know I don't know.

JUSTIN: It's beyond me.

JIMMY CARPER: Professional faggot for 50 years!

DAVID: So is that under P or F in the Yellow Pages?

[LAUGHTER]

JUSTIN: Yes, yes, David, yes it is.

DAVID: I need a professional faggot, this is Jimmy. Hey, I'm trying to be funny over here, OK? I don't need your mocking me and stuff.

SANDRA: Was that-- that was the closure?

JUSTIN: And so that, was basically it. My mom my mom heard and saw what happened, and she went she went into my cousin's room and we talked for a while. And I don't want to deal with Carl, it's not my fault he doesn't get it by now. And so she's going to go ahead and talk to him about it, and hopefully that all turns out well, and after grandma and George leave. But I told her I'm not doing it again, you know.

JIMMY CARPER: They're still here?

JUSTIN: Yeah. They're here, they'll be here until the first when they're leaving. So I told her I'm just, I'm not doing it again. I can't go back in the closet because for reasons other than my own sake. Yeah, it's like if she can't-- if she feels that she doesn't have a good enough relationship with her mom, and she thinks that me coming out's going to disturb that, well, she needs to hurry up and get with it.

It's really not my fault, and it's not my problem, and I'm kind of paying for it. And so I guess this time I just made an exception and it's like, next time I'm not doing it. Not going back in the closet. Either you tell them before they come down or it's just going to blow up all over the family.

JIMMY CARPER: Are these same group of people going to be together for Christmas?

JUSTIN: No, I probably won't see my grandma for another like three years. It's really difficult to get her down. She doesn't drive, George doesn't drive. Well, he can't drive, he can't read. And so it's just really difficult. My aunts had to go up there and get them and bring them back down from Kentucky.

JIMMY CARPER: The problem with going back into the closet is that when you're out, you're you. And you have to stuff all that, like you said, into a box. And it's so easy to let a flap open, you know?

[LAUGHTER]

DAVID: We've gone shopping so much we can't fit it all back into a box.

JIMMY CARPER: [INAUDIBLE] boyfriend there with you at the time.

TARA: Anybody else?

TOMMY: Next.

TARA: Go right ahead, Sandra.

SANDRA: No, I think that Tara has something more interesting to say.

TARA: You were with me!

TOMMY: Tara never has something more interesting to say.

ALL: Ooh.

TARA: Hey, at least I'm not obsessed with *Xena*.

[INTERPOSING VOICES]

DAVID: Oh, Tara you could open up your Christmas gift.

TARA: Be nice, Tara.

JIMMY CARPER: Is this the woman was giving you that nice massage before?

[LAUGHTER]

TARA: Hey, I didn't see any problem with my Thanksgiving dinner.

DAVID: Christmas gift? Christmas gift.

TARA: OK, so I took my girlfriend with us to Thanksgiving dinner. It was my mom's idea, even though I'm not out to my dad or the rest of the family. My mom thought it would be a good idea if my girlfriend came to dinner even though my dad completely suspects what's actually going on.

I enjoyed having her company and I did not ask her to go back in the closet. No, you wore your pride rings and everything. We just weren't together.

SANDRA: Yeah, it was a very straight acting evening.

TARA: You could be as gay as you'd like. I never asked you not to be.

SANDRA: Right.

BRENDAN: Ooh, this sounds like an argument in the making.

TOMMY: Turn the mikes up.

[INTERPOSING VOICES]

DAVID: It is a big step though that she asked her to go with her to her family. I mean, that is a big deal.

SANDRA: I was pretty impressed that her mom would actually want me to go.

DAVID: Yeah, hmm.

SANDRA: It was a good evening, I enjoyed myself. It's just every now and then I'd call her babe, or lean over and kiss her on her arm, and be like, ah, whoops.

TARA: You could have--

DAVID: And after the family stopped staring we just went back to normal.

TOMMY: We are no longer lesbians.

DAVID: Pass me the sugar, sugar. Oops, I mean completely non-sexual friend of mine.

[LAUGHTER]

SANDRA: It was kind of like that.

TARA: I don't know. I didn't ask you not to be though. I just wasn't out to my family, which is interesting.

JIMMY CARPER: So what was it like?

JUSTIN: She already answered this, it was interesting.

TARA: I had fun. I had a lot of fun. I enjoyed my family, I enjoyed our dinner. I was nervous. How was your evening?

SANDRA: It was OK.

TARA: For your first Thanksgiving?

SANDRA: I'm not used to having Thanksgiving, but it was a pretty good evening. Anybody else?

DAVID: I just want to see the lesbian drama unfold.

JUSTIN: All right.

SANDRA: Join us in the parking lot afterwards.

TARA: Lesbians don't have drama. I think all the gay guys ate it up.

DAVID: Um-- oh, yeah we ate it up.

TOMMY: Where are you?

JUSTIN: Oh, no, bad. Bad.

SANDRA: Hello! Steven's going to talk now.

TOMMY: Steven why are you over there and not over here?

STEVEN: Because all the mikes were taken over there and I like Tara.

TARA: Ow!

STEVEN: Oh, I just--

JIMMY CARPER: You were going to say?

STEVEN: Anyway, I had kind of a reality check. I'm becoming OK with my gayness and my family. And checking out guys with my little brother is getting OK because I'll say, you know, oh, God, he's fine. And my little brother will say, oh, she is too.

And then it got kind of weird when my sister and I were checking out guys and she was becoming, you know, oh yeah, he's cute too, and that was kind of-- yesterday me, mom, and Laura were walking around and me and Laura was like, damn, he's cute. And mom was like, uh-huh, he is. I was like, whoa I just, I just checked out guys with my mother.

[LAUGHTER]

She was like, damn he was. I was like, mom.

TARA: That's it, he's scarred for life.

STEVEN: Yeah, that was my--

JIMMY CARPER: She's just your mom, she's not dead!

STEVEN: Yeah, but that guy was hot.

[LAUGHTER]

DAVID: Mom stops having sex after you're born.

TOMMY: My mom stopped having sex before I was born.

DAVID: She's married to my dad. If he's still moving, he's still getting some.

[GROANS AND LAUGHTER]

TARA: And Steven loses mike privileges for the evening.

JIMMY CARPER: Is that one of those censor button needed things?

JUSTIN: It's all purpose. Tapping the mike is all purpose.

TARA: And this is the Stephen losing the mike sound.

DAVID: Tapping the mike.

TARA: Tapping the mike.

DAVID: 90.1 HATCH radio.

TARA: Is everybody looking forward to the holiday season?

TOMMY: Hey, I didn't get to tell my drama.

TARA: Oh, go right ahead Tommy.

DAVID: Oh, God, get the coffee.

TOMMY: First off, never mind. I got to eat pre-Thanksgiving dinner with David and his parents. That was kind of different.

SANDRA: What's pre-Thanksgiving dinner?

TOMMY: I guess he doesn't like--

TARA: Pre-Thanksgiving dinner is simply sacrilegious. Just like pre-anything.

TOMMY: I guess he doesn't like [INAUDIBLE] or something.

STEVEN: It's like anti-Thanksgiving dinner?

TOMMY: I don't know. You explain your pre-Thanksgiving dinner.

DAVID: We went to dinner with my parents on, like, Wednesday. It was no big deal. I didn't consider-- like, I didn't know if it was pre-Thanksgiving or anything.

TOMMY: That's what your parents explained it as.

DAVID: It was a joke.

TOMMY: Oh, whatever.

DAVID: My parents are funny, ha ha.

TOMMY: Right, they were kind of funny. I was, like, wow, y'all have a sense of humor. I've never seen this.

TARA: Well, then there's no explanation for David not having one.

TOMMY: Right. OK, but--

[INTERPOSING VOICES]

DAVID: Good one, Tara.

TARA: I thought you didn't have earphones on.

TOMMY: All week I've been planning on--

[PHONE RINGS]

TARA: Hello.

[LAUGHTER]

DAVID: Mine's off too.

TOMMY: My dad got transferred to Albuquerque, which is kind of a sad thing. So our family is moving to Albuquerque.

JUSTIN: Wow, when's that happening?

TOMMY: December.

JIMMY CARPER: Next month?

TOMMY: Yeah. Not too happy with that.

DAVID: No, the December in the middle of the year.

JIMMY CARPER: That Christmas in July thing.

DAVID: Smarch, the 13th month.

JIMMY CARPER: I'm very close to you, David.

[LAUGHTER]

DAVID: Sorry. Yes, sir.

TOMMY: So I've been busily trying to find a way for me to stay in Houston, yeah.

TARA: Busily, our word of the day.

TOMMY: It is a word. Is that a word?

DAVID: We're never going to get to the end of this story.

TARA: Finish the story, Tommy.

TOMMY: So finally my friend Liz said that her dad would let me live with her, blah, blah, blah. So I was playing on--

STEVEN: I'd off of my apartment but my boy said no. They're like, why you gotta diss me like that.

SANDRA: Never gonna get to the end of this story.

STEVEN: He's like, I'm like I'm going to kick your ass. I'm like, uh-huh. I'm like, whatever, hun. A Christmas gift for you.

TOMMY: Anyway, can I go?

DAVID: Yes. Finish the story.

STEVEN: To Albuquerque?

SANDRA: Shut up!

TOMMY: OK, well, anyway, I told my mom right away after I found out I was going to be able to live at Liz's house, what not, and I signed up for classes. I was so happy that day. It was on Tuesday. I was extremely excited.

TARA: I wonder where the story's going.

TOMMY: Well, anyway, Thursday, Thanksgiving, I had to tell my dad that hey, I'm staying in Houston. Oh my God, that was really hard. And it was one of the few times that he told me that he loved me.

ALL: Aw.

TOMMY: I can count them on like three fingers.

SANDRA: Join the club, Tommy.

JIMMY CARPER: I'm an elite member.

TOMMY: He told me that he doesn't want me to stay and he wants me to go to Albuquerque. And he started looking up community colleges on the internet, like me and my mom haven't done that already. Yeah, and so now he wants me to go to Santa Fe Community College, which is an hour away from where we will be living. Yeah.

JIMMY CARPER: So what are you going to do?

TOMMY: I don't know. It's all up in the air. It's whatever. Whichever solution seems best the day before they leave.

JIMMY CARPER: Good plan!

[LAUGHTER]

DAVID: Impulsive? No.

TOMMY: So, yeah. That was kind of weird. The whole point was my dad said he loved me.

DAVID: See, I didn't find out until just now with the rest of you all.

STEVEN: At what point are you moving to Seattle, or Oregon, or something like that?

SANDRA: Seattle?

DAVID: Oregon.

STEVEN: Portland?

TOMMY: Portland. I was going to go up there after the spring semester. I don't know now due to the fact that I don't know if I want to switch schools every semester. It's like, hey, going to this school this semester, going to this school this next semester, going to this school the next semester, let's just keep going. I don't know.

JIMMY CARPER: Hell, I changed majors like that.

[LAUGHTER]

TOMMY: I like my major. I enjoy my major a lot.

JIMMY CARPER: We all know what it is.

TARA: You know, because the people listening know what it is.

STEVEN: What is your major?

TOMMY: I will become an interpreter for the deaf and hard of hearing.

STEVEN: Oh, wow. Very cool.

TOMMY: We enjoy it.

DAVID: If you're deaf or hard of hearing and you would like to call Tommy--

JIMMY CARPER: Oh, no.

DAVID: Please send complaints to KPFT HATCH After Hours.

TOMMY: It's the monthly jam, KPFT.

JIMMY CARPER: Tommy and I have some mutual friends in the deaf community.

TOMMY: Right, aren't they great? They are so funny.

JIMMY CARPER: Yeah, I spent Thanksgiving with them.

TOMMY: Oh really? At Mark's house?

JIMMY CARPER: Yes.

DAVID: He said yes.

TOMMY: That was a lot of people.

DAVID: He's talking to the air. Do you want to open your gift now, Tara?

TARA: Yes.

DAVID: It's probably going to spoil.

STEVEN: Oh, dear lord.

DAVID: It probably needs to get fed.

TARA: I want to see.

DAVID: Green tentacle.

JIMMY CARPER: David has a wrapped present for Tara and it has a snowman theme--

TARA: It's the first Christmas present of the season.

JIMMY CARPER: --with a bow on it.

TOMMY: I already got mine. Mine's really cute.

STEVEN: I'm going to watch Tara open it.

TARA: I need theme music. Come on.

[VOCALIZING - JEOPARDY, "THINK"]

DAVID: And it lights up and everything.

TARA: It's *Gone With the Wind*!

JIMMY CARPER: Oh my God, what is it?

TARA: It's *Gone With the Wind*.

JIMMY CARPER: *Gone With the Wind* what?

JUSTIN: It doesn't matter! Vibrator.

[LAUGHTER]

DAVID: Scarlett, I don't give a da-- da-- damn. Oh,

JIMMY CARPER: It's an ornament.

DAVID: With the lighting, and the romance, and the stuff.

JIMMY CARPER: And it lights up.

DAVID: For her pleasure.

JIMMY CARPER: My eyes well up with tears.

JUSTIN: All right, somebody quick find a plug for Tara.

JIMMY CARPER: They call those pigtails.

STEVEN: And its Hallmark. The Hallmark ornament.

TOMMY: Oh, by the way, Justin, did you go to the mall today by any chance?

JUSTIN: No, God no.

DAVID: Is she getting weepy?

TOMMY: Oh, you're just wearing a red shirt, and when I got there, there was some guy that said, hey, there was a guy wearing a red shirt looking for you.

TARA: Hey, no one was talking to you!

TOMMY: I was talking to Justin, not you.

TARA: It's my moment!

[LAUGHTER]

[INTERPOSING VOICES]

JIMMY CARPER: Boy, she is the co-host isn't she?

TARA: It's the scene where Atlanta's burning down.

[LAUGHTER]

For all you who didn't hear me, it's the scene where Atlanta's burning down. I can read the back it has--

JIMMY CARPER: Yes, do that.

DAVID: Tara's like, I need a Christmas tree, STAT!

[LAUGHTER]

TARA: Someone needs to read it with me.

DAVID: Cute vintage, cute Christmas, cute lady cuteness up.

TARA: OK, you read that part. Turn my mike back on!

JUSTIN: Yours is on.

TARA: Good. Rhett, please don't go.

DAVID: I love you, Scarlett. In spite of you and me, in spite of the whole silly world going to pieces around us, I love you.

JUSTIN: He's said in a drunken madness slurring her name.

TOMMY: How dare he turn off my microphone.

TARA: You low down cowardly nasty thing. Everybody was right. You aren't a gentleman.

DAVID: Nevermind, goodbye Scarlett.

TARA: That's my favorite movie!

TOMMY: I dislike the microphone turning off.

TARA: Ah!

[LAUGHTER]

JIMMY CARPER: We have ghosts wandering around the studio.

TARA: [SCREAMING] Ghosts of co-hosts past.

[LAUGHTER]

the ghost of

DAVID: Is Tommy being pissy?

TARA: Yes. Stop stealing my moment!

DAVID: Tommy, you are no longer co-host. You are a mere peon, you are a nobody. You are a mere Maria Todd or Psycho Robbie to Justin's Sam Malone.

TARA: What am I? What am I?

DAVID: The weather girl.

[INTERPOSING VOICES]

TARA: It's gonna be hot and steamy today.

JIMMY CARPER: Are you trying to tell us like *Gone With the Wind* stuff?

TARA: Yes, it's my favorite.

SANDRA: She freaks out about *Gone With the Wind* stuff.

TARA: She's the biggest bitch in the world.

JIMMY CARPER: Into the mike.

[LAUGHTER]

TARA: She's my role model. She's the biggest bitch in the world. It's great. And she gets everything that she wants. And then some.

DAVID: Reminds me that I saw this t-shirt that I want to get. It's like Tara always thinks that she like, she wants to be a princess. And I saw this t-shirt that says, hey, princess, get me my beer. And I thought it was so funny. I thought of Tara, I was like like aw.

JUSTIN: Yes, my cinema is actually-- aww.

TARA: Isn't that sweet.

DAVID: You can get my beer for me. Although none of us drink.

JUSTIN: Which one's his mike?

[LAUGHTER]

JIMMY CARPER: One, two, three. That's one, two, three.

TARA: Thank you, David.

DAVID: You're welcome. And if he turns off my mike I'll just scream extra loud.

TARA: It's off.

DAVID: It is? I can't tell.

JIMMY CARPER: No.

[INAUDIBLE]