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Jimmy Carper, Bobby

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Jimmy Carper 00:01

All right, yes, yeah, let's get some more going there.



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We got a good number of I think pretty significant straight audience from what



Jimmy Carper 00:09

we do we have a very, very high percentage of straight people who listen to this show so



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and probably a lot of teenagers right now out on their prom date probably wondering what they stumbled across on 90 All we can tell them is drive safely because 45 south on the way home



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I want to make it there. On that note, we're actually gonna be talking a little bit in a little while about



Jimmy Carper 00:40

that what I have to make a correction here and I you know, my mind just doesn't it's gone. I talked about Randy being on the show, and I that was not the correct name of the show. The show was called the return of the sons of musical chairs. Oh, long story that yes, but I'm not

gonna go



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one of those historical



Jimmy Carper 01:12

return to the sons of musical chairs. That's right. i How could I forget that? Because Randy was on that show with Billy and Elmo and I haven't seen either one or really all three of them in quite a while.



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Yeah, and I mean, just this show he KPFT is just you know, it's been great to this community. We've got an there's another gay lesbian show the socialite Jack Valinski we've got, and that's on Mondays now is called gay lesbian voices, I believe lesbian



Jimmy Carper 01:37

and gay voices on Monday evenings right here, eight to 10pm



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over the weekend. We also it's not a gay show, but Ray Hill hosts Ray



Jimmy Carper 01:46

Hill, the Prison Program Friday night nine to 11. And yeah, and that's the only radio station in this city where you can hear any of those three shows. And no other radio station is going to have a gay show. Yeah, yeah. And it's all because you out there pays pay our bills. It's not the Cola company and it's not the the acne cream. Who would tell management? Hey, I don't know if I'm gonna support this radio station. I'm not gonna. You gotta get that show off. Yeah. And that's what that's what happens in commercial radio. And it's what happens in commercial television. That's what happens in commercial everywhere. But not here.



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Right. This is community based programming. Yes, it says community we don't have the fancy Doppler 2000.




 Jimmy Carper 02:44

Not all of us here are amateurs. We, no matter how long I've been on the show, I will always be an amateur. And we prove it weekly. Thank you so much. For every other minute. Yes. We were all volunteers. It's we're no one's making money here. All the money goes for the bills. And the and the very small, paid staff that's there, like six or seven people? Is it running the whole radio station? And everybody else is a volunteer? Incredible.

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We don't have a sales department. That's why we

 Bobby 03:30

gotta be targeting we first and we volunteer. We volunteer here because we really think this is important stuff. Yeah, this

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is a worthwhile operation. This is a worthwhile I mean,

 Jimmy Carper 03:41

why else do you think Francisco would be here at 223 in the morning? Have you seen his lover? Oh, yeah. Yeah.

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Angel Face.

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I have. Probably by total like six hours. I'm working on his new demo. He was recording him tonight. Three or four songs.

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Congratulations.

 Jimmy Carper 04:07

Yes. Speaking of him, speaking of him here. Here he is. And this is not this is real life. Yeah. But the CD is not available is it? No it's not

the CD is not available, is it? No, it's not



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available. Not Yeah. We're hoping that after this next demo, someone else



Jimmy Carper 04:30

played both songs ray of light and power. Goodbye. I love it. I love it. I love it. Oh, yes. And oh, okay. Um, let's go to this song. Wait, Chris and I played the power of goodbye last last week because I stole it off of it.



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David will be flattered.



Jimmy Carper 04:58

I'm very happy. that it's now on CD. And sometime in the future, I'll be able to get it in probably you to imagine that's going to be available at Lobo or wherever. And when that happens, we'll let you know. But now we're talking about an artist named Devin. And this is a cover song, and it doesn't so very well. Ray of Light and you're listening to it on after hours, queer radio with attitude on KPFT Houston, and ke O 's College Station Whoa, super devonne Devon with Ray of lights of you just



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leaving the clubs that just still keep you back.



Jimmy Carper 05:49

Kidding. That's good music. I can't wait for him to put out some more stuff are made available. A whole bunch of folks. I do want to mention that the next show that comes on after us is the Red Eye special with Big Daddy J and he is doing the unbelievable six hour stint. He's gonna be here from 3am until 9am. I God because he has his old show was three to six. And he's been put into the six to nine. Spot. So for the for this marathon. They're going to keep him on both of them. Because it would be unfair to put in a new show on the three to six slot. Right in the middle of America. membership drive. Yeah.



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So who's gonna be good to take the three of six, but

 Jimmy Carper 06:48

he is okay. Yeah, well, Oh, you mean in the future? I don't know. I don't know who's taking it failing. Didn't let me in on that. But Big Data. Wonderful, wonderful. Blues will be here for six hours today.

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Well, on a second note, you know that we've been talking about the march a lot has been going on. But I've also wanted to make sure that we get a chance to talk about Vermont. Yes. You know,

 Jimmy Carper 07:17

the implication implications for that just unbelievable. And before

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we go there, just really quickly, I do think we should thank Dan Hardy Garcia and Michael Crawford both Yes, right? Yes. Yeah, they were very instrumental, Dan Hardy Garcia who led the march, or for the last couple of months. together

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today. Thanks for putting that together at the last minute and actually coming up with something really quite well. Not awesome, but actually really good.

 Jimmy Carper 07:44

Oh, yeah. And I know Michael, Michael's been a guest, co host on the show.

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I was in. He went up there late last fall. And his job was to outreach to to gain as a community up and down the eastern seaboard. And he certainly did. And I was in, in Baltimore and in DC on two occasions and saw him on both. Wow. Are his volunteers out there working? And

 Jimmy Carper 08:10

well, you know, Michael is a man of high scruples. And if he's, that's what kind of turned me around because I figured if Michaels involved with this, you know, there's, there's good points, there's, it's gonna be on the up and up because he's not going to get that that's kind of bad.



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It makes you think about, you know, the kind of things it's going on in Washington, you know, and he's a good guy,



Jimmy Carper 08:39

and here he's staying.



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I know, I was hoping he'd come back. Yeah,



Jimmy Carper 08:43

I know, with a whole lot, you know? Well, because he's always got new good ideas. And I think he probably got really energized up there. And I was hoping that he'd bring that energy back here. But hey, if he's going to use it up there for some good, yeah. Great.



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Don, another one goes. I know, I know.



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Now we have another young African American gay man in DC. Working in our bait are now there we



Jimmy Carper 09:11

go. That's right.



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Let's hope he doesn't stray from what he learned here. And he's



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definitely no cat.



Jimmy Carper 09:21

That's right. No, he won't. He won't win.



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Yeah. But Sandy has a little from our magazine, a little bit of an outline of where we've come in terms of gay marriage. Okay. I didn't know he was getting



Jimmy Carper 09:34

Well, I'll tell you. I didn't ever expect in my entire lifetime, that a same sex relationship would be would even be out in the open much less on the verge and yes,



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I was I was very excited. I was actually at work when I when I got an email from a friend telling Let me sign it. The governor signed it. It's a law. Even though it's not what we want, you know, actually a marriage. You know, I think that it's just so close that I can be satisfied with that. But of course, we need to keep on fighting, you know, fighting for getting more, right, because most of you actually at the federal level



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matter. We got a little case that might bring that about. Don't forget about Littleton. Yeah, yeah, yeah. But point has that potential.



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That's interesting. In Vermont things, the only thing that's really doesn't make it a marriage, just the title of it, I mean, basically has every right isn't yet married. So



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one of the things that I really like about it is the fact that because of the wording and the fact that he doesn't have marriage in it, we can bring that out to the other states and actually challenge most of those who bet because it's not because it's not a marriage, and they cannot say it okay, you already banned a marriage. This is not a marriage, it's not a marriage.



Jimmy Carper 11:01

A marriage really has a lot of religious overtones to it.



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Civil Unions means a



Jimmy Carper 11:09

civil union is not has not does not have that aspect. Yeah. So if the Jews and are recognizing it, and maybe the Methodists, and you know, we're coming along there,



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I'm really looking forward for a few people to gradually go to Vermont, not all of it and get married and come back in eight. Let's get those courageous people that you know, want to come and bring that on here so that we can actually start trying that up here. You know, if it weren't



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for those couples who have to go to Dave and say, Well, you civil union me and they call it CQ, me? Yeah. It sounds stable. He's very erotic.



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Yeah, I want to go get CQ. See you later.



Jimmy Carper 12:08

Point that someone drove home to me, in fact, that was the editorial in the voice last week, is that there's been this argument from folks on the other side, that they don't want same sex marriage because we will ruin the institution of marriage. LEE Well, I know that I thought, you know, we can only improve, you know, but, but it was driven home is if there is a civil union, that more people in fact, when there's domestic partnerships, the study has been done of different cities that have domestic partnerships. There are more street straight people going into a domestic partnership than into a marriage. Yes. And I think that's the reason, the real reason that the other side doesn't want gay marriage. It's because yeah, it's because



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think it's between 25% and a third of the American population is currently living. Yeah, basically, what is? Yeah, you know, there aren't that many gay people. 30% like, you know, people shacking up



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Bobby 13:24

with a fit more than 50% divorce rate among the strike community, you know, and they're criticizing our get togethers. I know people I know, gay people have been together for more than 30 years.

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One of the first things that we discussed last time was the fact that you know, they are so worried, you know, strike community that you know, that we're going to change, you know, the family structure, and then you should go it's, you're ready to say there's no stopping the train, you know, it already left the station, you just have to get yourself in it and ride as happy as you can. Because there's no turn, you know, there's no turning back.

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Jimmy Carper 14:02

But now we have the opportunity to, as we've always had, of deciding what our relationships will be.

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Not not that people can start getting committed. If you can get commitment out of this. Yeah.

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Yeah, we're joking about it, but serious. Because, you know, how many times have we heard about, you know, incidents where you know, you've been in a committed relationship for examples for say 10 to 12 years, and all of a sudden your partner gets sick. Yeah, because your partner's family doesn't love No, does not like you period. They can deny you the rights to see your love your lover. That's right. And, you know, it's even worse

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Jimmy Carper 14:58

unless you have unless you have the legal documents

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or make decisions on behalf of your your partner? That's

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right. that just happened to a really close friend of mine. I mean. her her partner was sick. you

right, that just happened to a really close friend of mine. I mean, her her partner was sick, you know, had no but food poisoning. And she did. She took her to the to the hospital and she you know, she was in the hospital for two days, and you couldn't even go and see her. You know, and it was so bad. And I'm like I, you know, she cried on on my shoulders when I when I went to see her in the hospital in the emergency room. And I was like, Oh, my God, how can they do this too hard. You know, they've been together for three years.

 Jimmy Carper 15:34

And don't let money into an equation. Yeah. Okay. Let's say for example, that you've got a partnership that's built up by a lot of money, alright, and you leave, say, let's say XYZ Corporation, or business to, you know, that partner, well, all of a sudden, the relative dairy allowance, or challenge, or challenge the will incur you know, there are a lot of legal aspects.

 Bobby 16:03

This is the thing that gets me about relationships, especially with where an HIV is concerned, you have people who have been together for years, and they have slowly watched that loved one get sicker and sicker and end up in the hospital. And then the family, a family who may not have once shown up in their life in this person's life, all of a sudden making the decisions on what this person, how this person should be dealt with,

 Jimmy Carper 16:34

how Yes, and worse, worse, we've seen what happens after that person died, and we knew knew what that person wanted. And the family may come in and change all of that.

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And it's because of things like this, that I you know, that I decided myself to be an activist because I've never wanted to be a social left, or that's a term that I've always used all the time, you know, I don't want to just be sitting down, waiting for things to come my way. You know, it's like, if I want to meet the man of my dreams one day, and I want to get married, I want to have that ride, I want to walk to a judge and telling me I want to marry this man, because I love him. And because I want to be committed to Him. And it's and that's what you know, we're fighting for it. And I'm, you know, I'm missing bolts I can be because, you know, there's so many things that are going on that are so wrong. Like the fact that they go what Bobby just mentioned, you know, what happens if your partner, you know, gets infected with a need, you have to go see him go through that and then go through the pain and, and know that you want to help and you want to be there by side on the hospital. And for some reason you can be because other people's are dictating who you know, who you are, and what should you do or be. And that's one of the things that I liked about Vermont, the house of the one of the congressmen when and, you know, stood up and say, you know, during the Civil Rights, you know, what would it happen if you would let the people decide who, you know, the African community, they would not have the right to they have rights, right?



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Because that's right. You know,



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they said that majorities sometimes does not have, you know, it's not, you know, what's the right word doesn't



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really sometimes the tyranny of what they call the tyranny of majority.



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Thank you. Thank you.



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I've got no, because let's put it this way during the civil rights march happened, the civil rights movement for African Americans started, you had a lot of southern sheriffs there. Were sitting up there, Howard. Well, and I can go back to even Dr. King's letter to a Birmingham Jail from a Birmingham Jail when he had eight ministers asked him, Why are you starting these protests now? Dadadada Why don't you folks just wait. And also, well, you know, Dr. King's point, we've been waiting for 100 years.



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America is not quite ready for dishes. Well, America is never quite ready for the next advance and civil rights. And this is just a logical extent it Yeah. It's a logical step and a logical include, you know, the bottom line is when anybody's rights are threatened. All right, so threat. Yeah, yeah, no matter. There's another saying that I'm fond of saying that. That basically the civil rights. This is a cost society, excuse me, is determined by how well it treats its minority communities. Yes. Yeah, it is. It is. I agree with you and it's very it's very true. All right. You know, you have to look out and you know, that's why you have protections for minority rights in a lot of constitutions on the planet. I would love to have South Africa's right now.



**Bobby** 19:50

You know, and this is another thing we get we we get stuck into using that word minority fortunately, and as The Hispanic community at in the not so distant future may very well out number 10. Number 10. I guarantee you they will still be referred to as the minority. Oh



Jimmy Carper 20:21

yeah. Well, you know, I wish we were more like Hawaii where there's so many different people, nobody someone majority. Well, even in Houston, there is no you know, Houston is broken down in terms of there's no one group that has a majority for the most part. Yes. So you have to practice coalition politics here in Houston,



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the gas weight is so important for us to to work together, especially on elections, Latinos and black nations, in order for us to have a bigger voice and make sure that our rights are being protected.



Jimmy Carper 20:55

Well, all looking out for each other. One of the things I loved about a niece's election was that for once it was a community. It was a team, the first one anyway, it was a team effort. The whole community got together and work to get her in office, where she's doing a bang up job.



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I totally I totally agree with you. But at the same time, we also forgot the other gate candidates, so we're running for our support. Yeah, Andreas.



Jimmy Carper 21:23

Andreas was an excellent one. He really should. Well, and I don't doubt that Andras, will one day be sitting on the city hall in a seat at City Hall.



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I don't doubt it either. Not I hope that Francisco goes or



Jimmy Carper 21:39

I wouldn't be sad. And I wouldn't be too disappointed in Francisco sitting in that seat. Even myself. But yeah, but like you said, you know, we do have to be more cognizant of the fact that, you know, we they're hanging together, hang separately, and they're a bunch of people on the social conservative side that would love to hang all of us. Okay, Francisco, you said something about AI. And then baby putting you in the hot seat. Something that you have, he wanted to talk about?



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Oh, just wanted, we were talking a little bit about how hopefully, things are changing. And I know we chat a little bit a while ago on about pinpoint a problem. A lot of those folks, we're gonna be going to you've H Yeah, a lot of those are going to



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just just the first thing I'm telling you is just don't be scared. There's a hell of a lot. There's a huge gay community at the University of



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Houston, and I'm a cougar alumnus, haha, yeah.



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It's like, right now we have two major organizations, you know, global, which is the undergraduate level and then you have sea change, which is for the social workers the graduate level. And, you know, they're



Jimmy Carper 22:55

gonna know about the other sea



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changes. Educate advocate for change. Social stamp. Yeah. We always



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had a lesbian gay group on, you know, even while I was at U of H in the early 80s. And we had a lesbian gay group. Yeah. In the early



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80s. Ah, eh, has had it was a fraternity it was



Jimmy Carper 23:18

the fraternity still going? No, fine.



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No, no, but it's like, there was a time in the 80s. I'm gonna say this that you've H was so involving, with its gay community. Yeah, we had we had a gay group, we had a less, you know, sort of lesbian group the fraternity and it's like,



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I'm Phyllis was matriculating on campus at the time.



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And, and, and we're really happy but because the University of Houston sort of resembles a city as a whole, especially on the population level, you know, that there's the minorities, you know, the fact that whatever happens, you know, this is the way I see it, whatever happened, said, You've h is going to reciprocate in the city. I mean, we had had, you know, the gay community at the University of Houston is not very out, they are out, but at the same time, to a point, you're not involved. It's a whole you got to educate the people around you if you don't go out and actually and that's what we're trying to do, you know, well, not me anymore, because I'm already but, you know, the student to gay students that are active at the University are trying to reach out for those who are not at a national get, you know, get more gay friendly, you know, members, like our



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friends at a&m.



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Yeah. And it's like, it's like the city. I mean, in the city, we're still a little you know, out but also a little closer to it. We have so many people out there I mean, it's like, I know that I like Marula, you know, with with PVA it's been identifying, you know, gay friendly people. And it's like, and his goal is identified, I think 10,000 And, and he's done such an awesome job. And it's like the fact that, you know, they're identifying so many people, but it's a where are those people? What we need the



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enrollment is what about 45,000?



Jimmy Carper 25:16

That is a small city.



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Base. No, our cities are basically like small.



Jimmy Carper 25:23

Get lost when I go



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from personal experience, I want to tell you that four out of every 10 people that I see on class are gay or gay friendly, or somewhat, you might call it like that.



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Because college thing is that



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sometimes, I mean, sometimes you just don't know the world is just changing that J JLPT. Just doesn't apply. And you



Jimmy Carper 25:49

know, I I've seen the gay group Ufh over the years, and it just it kind of shuts down depending on actually the leadership of the group, depending on how out or strong they are going into leadership and



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Fendi is the current president of Global current like ex president? Yeah, well, I mean, I'm not a student anymore. So it's, but I was, I was here for a whole year, which was really good. It was very exciting. Very exciting. Good.



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Eat him up, beat them up. I'm gonna rub it in all night. Oh, those cute Aggies. Okay, don't forget to make a play. Five to



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657387135 to six KPFT we still need your support. Yes, please. Come on. Yeah, this is the last night of Marathe membership drive for after hours and so we really really would like your support you out there guess 7135265738526 KPFT you're only queer, non commercial station. Well, actually, you're only queer station period. And I don't mean to say that the station is queer. What I mean to say is that this kind of programming is not anywhere else. And a friend of mine just a couple a few months ago figured out that in the city of Houston amongst all of the radio stations, there's there's like 5000 hours of radio per week. And ad of that 5000 hours of radio there is exactly five hours of gave lesbian bisexual and transgender radio five hours out of 5000 Now that that does seem to be a bit low in percentage, and all of those five hours are right here on KPFT awesome with with after hours and lesbian and gay forces on Monday nights eight to 10



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and we're free and accessible right yeah, we're talking about actually gave me here earlier and we're not owned by planet out



Jimmy Carper 28:34

marcher did not affect you won't have programming you know, coming out of San Francisco or LA and we're



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going off the air more cable or 13.



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They ticked me.



Jimmy Carper 28:53

They may they may want to but they can't buy or not for sale.



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Is that your final answer?



Bobby 29:01

I made me miss half of a show. The other half of Arabian Nights because of that.





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Thank goodness I was in New York and but my girlfriend's cable system wasn't part of Warner because Warner dominates New York area. Oh two. Yeah, she has been a one area in New York City where I can still watch Who Wants to Be a Millionaire.



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I think this whole debate can be like somebody who wants to be a richer millionaire. Yeah.



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But once again, folks, we are in that last that homestretch and just that \$35 pledge just breaks down to about \$2.90 A month or even nine cents a day. That was a lot of bills on Yeah, no kidding. Just that \$60 pledge breaks down to \$5 a month.



Jimmy Carper 29:54

So that numbers 526573852 6k PFT Okay, in our wrap up, you know we're getting close to the top of the hour and for this week and this week only, you're going to have six hours. Big Daddy j and the Red Eye special. He's right behind me and trying to squeeze through so we can get together record in the get a CV record. Get a CT is



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Jimmy Carper 30:29

sorry about that. Those are your CDs so the player I know it I know it's so



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meaning to the phrase red eyes special. Yes.



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You break it. You bought it her that? Yeah. Okay,



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we've got some good music coming up. I want to thank everyone for joining us.



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Yeah, thank you very much. And please make a donation, just pick up a phone, call us at 713565738 and become a member of Pft.



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Whether it's happy mother's day tomorrow.



Jimmy Carper 31:06

And if you've got time, you might want to saunter over to Mary's by about six o'clock because it's the it's Mom 2000, the mother of Montrose contest. Yes, yes, this Mother's Day to day Miss rosy cheeks is stepping down. And I knew mother of Montrose will be will be elected. You can tune in this time next month for to hear Francisco and Sandy.



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And hopefully we will have our long awaited show. We will hopefully we've been talking about the Hispanic community on top of Houston and hopefully next month, we'll finally have a program with someone from from from that part of the community out here talking to a little bit about



Jimmy Carper 31:51

about would be so yeah.



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Also, you know, the priority is going to be by the end of June, right. And we need to start bringing out the people to let us know what's going to be happening. So we're going to try to do that as well.



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And then if you're practicing marching also tomorrow and get ready for the Millennium that I'm sorry, the million mark. Market Square.



Jimmy Carper 32:12

That's right. Yes, yes. Yes. Yes. So and this music in the background is



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is faith faith.



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These are local florists with flowers.



Jimmy Carper 32:23

Okay. We will see you next week. Thanks for tuning in. And thanks for all your pledges. Good evening.