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Rainbo de Clown, Roy McCarthy, Jimmy Carper

Roy McCarthy 00:01

Okay, I want to start off this week's stuff with mentioning how that Hillary Clinton mentioned on the news that she disagrees with President Clinton's policy. Don't Ask, Don't Tell it gave the military because it don't work. And finally, today on his radio address, Bill Clinton admitted that his wife was right. That it really does not work. And anybody with half a brain in their head can see is has had the exact opposite effect of what he originally intended. But guess what, this is what we told him in the very beginning, that Don't Ask Don't Tell will not work. And we told them that it will have the exact opposite effect. And that's precisely what has happened. And everything

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that story we just that I pulled off the wire has to do with Don't Ask, Don't Tell.

Roy McCarthy 00:53

You know, one of the interesting things on that, which Chris is just talking about is that there's an Army lieutenant, an Army Reserve Lieutenant named Steve May, which from out there in Arizona. And the thing about Steve May, is that he admitted that he was gay when he was off base, off duty and off duty. But one different thing is that Steve may also serve serves in the state legislature,

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as a as an aide, I believe, to want to a force, the actual representative

Roy McCarthy 01:28

is working as a lawmaker in the Arizona Legislature. It's what the AP wire says. And so this is gonna be very interesting. Because once you start doing a hatchet job and going after people who sit in government positions, and who are elected officials, then all of a sudden things get a lot different.



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Well, the part about this is the news event is the fact that it's finally been decided, a military investigator has recommended he should be hit that he should be discharged because he's homosexual. And then he noted in there his exceptional service record. And that may release the information about his discharge recommendation to the Associated Press. The the interesting part also with this is that while this is pending, the Secretary of the Army is approval of the discharge. He's also being considered at the same time for a promotion. So in one hand, they're trying to promote them and the other hand, they're trying to kick them out. Well, it's like one hand doesn't know what the other ones doing.



Roy McCarthy 02:45

You know, this, this whole thing about no gays in the military is a total farce. And I've had, I've heard from many military bras, from talk about this, from people who served in Vietnam and in World War Two and in Korea, in which they say, during times of war, they really don't care. As long as you can shoot straight and are loyal to your country. Yeah, they could care less if you're gay or straight or are undecided. Okay, so you have some hard news for us.



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Yes, the police lacked we're still lacking strong leads in an early morning shooting that occurred at chances the one of the Montrose bars for lesbians. They've been unable to lie to interview the victim Tracy Lynn deal at length since the robbery. She was shot several times in the face and chest and dumped and left for dead in the early morning hours of November 28. Friends in Houston's lesbian community have rallied to raise funds for deals medical recovery and joined with her father to post a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and indictment of her attackers. Crimestoppers has also offered a \$1,000 reward in the case. Authorities say to young Hispanic males attack deal at a water burger on South Shepherd about 3:55am And then they ordered food after after taking your money. Two hours later. Deal had been shot several times by a 22 caliber pistol managed to crawl more than 300 yards to waken residents of an apartment complex for help. Her Tracy Lind deals car a Honda Accord, white four door with license plate. Victor Charlie Bravo seven one Charlie with a Green Bay Packers sticker on the windshield is still missing. If you would like to contribute to the date, the Tracy deal fund You can contact southwest Bank of Texas and ask to speak to Dwayne de Whiddon at 713-235-8881. Extension 1180. If you have any information regarding the suspects in this case, you can contact the HPD homicide division at 713-308-3600 or Crimestoppers at 713222 Ti P S.



Roy McCarthy 05:34

Okay. And we have a special report tonight from Rainbow to clown. He was at the meeting concerning the Westheimer street festival that I told you about last week. You know, we were

concerning the Westheimer Street Festival that I told you about last week. You know, we were looking for people to attend that meeting and Rainbow did attend. Right. But what happened?

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Rainbow de Clown 05:56

Well, I know next week, we're having our second they're having their second meeting, which is at 6pm. We're having this past week, this past week. Okay. There were, I would say a full house of both sides at the meeting at City Hall Annex. And they talked about different issues concerning trash on the streets, from loud music to, let's say, the alcohol and police protection and everything like that. And they also brought up I would like to say something about, you know, everybody says, Well, what does this street festival really do? They do. They do provide contributions. It was brought to the attention of many people there probably for the first time that cash contributions have been given to the Avondale Association, where in one year it was \$1,000. Another year was 500k contributions were also given to the Hyde Park associations and different associations. cash contributions were also given to the police storefront, including a 1200 dollar price for a bicycle. And then also the 800 trash receptacles. And, you know,

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Jimmy Carper 07:16

I guess I haven't bought it myself with a long time \$1,200 It's a very

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Roy McCarthy 07:21

big thing. And even more expensive than that.

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Rainbow de Clown 07:23

And this is a very, it's a very unique bicycle. I mean, I guess it's not just like your little ol huffy or whatever.

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Jimmy Carper 07:34

Well, I understand they're, they use them every day. And there's more

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Rainbow de Clown 07:37

use on it. Yes. And I guess they're built stronger and everything like that. So anyway, and also, not some people may not realize this, but every day it was brought to the attention that some of the money goes to ord cleaning the street every day West timer from 100 blog to 1000 blog. Now some of these people were complaining about the trash in their neighborhoods and stuff. I went to the neighborhoods last week on Avondale Street, and it was trashed there. They're cleaning their own trash and there was no Festival last week. So about okay, you know,

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Roy McCarthy 08:11

I'll say this though about the festival. It did start off as a kind of like a gay festival now. It's kind of like a city wide festival.

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Jimmy Carper 08:20

No, no. Is it wet summer art festival. That's how it started out. It was Westheimer art colony started it. And it was for serious artists. And then it became well known people enjoy coming to it. And then the colony decided to have various artists in a separate area that they fenced off and charged admission to

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Rainbo de Clown 08:46

and that was over there by the Oh, was that video place?

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Jimmy Carper 08:50

The heb actually, well, it used to be it's been in a couple of minutes. But they did that used to be bank parking because they you know, they thought the series artists should be separated from the street artists, or whatever's going on because they they had an actual judging and jury and prices and all of that kind of stuff. Then there was a further split, went to

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Rainbo de Clown 09:13

Memorial Park and they left and went downtown first and finally they went downtown. Yeah, they've been downtown. They've been Memorial they've been downtown they they move around more.

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Jimmy Carper 09:22

So but but the other part of the festival stayed right. The part they do street press part that everybody wants to see it's a people's

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Rainbo de Clown 09:31

festival.

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Jimmy Carper 09:34

Yes,

R Roy McCarthy 09:34
in everybody really sets up for freedom. Come come to and really, it's just a time for everyone. Twice a year just to have a good let your hair down.

J Jimmy Carper 09:45
Yeah. And it's actually a way for a lot of people in the suburbs who live very restricted lives, to be able to come to the Montrose and just let loose. That's it.

R Roy McCarthy 09:56
And I just don't understand why people would not want Want to see this continuing?

R Rainbo de Clown 10:02
Well, next next,

J Jimmy Carper 10:04
when's the next meeting? And then everybody better go to our

R Rainbo de Clown 10:06
next meeting is Wednesday downtown at 6pm 530. I think they'll have sign up for anybody that wants to say anything. But I know last week, they didn't have some of the HPD witnesses show up. So there's gonna be witnesses from both sides. And supposedly they're both supposed to show up. So that should be an interesting meeting. Come enjoy be a warm body. There

R Roy McCarthy 10:27
you go. Enjoy

R Rainbo de Clown 10:28
the show. Okay.

J Jimmy Carper 10:30
Thank you. Thank you. Thanks. All right. We're moving along that is waiting in the wings.

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Roy McCarthy 10:38

Okay. Well, tell our listeners update on the fire that we had here a few weeks back at KPFT. Contrary to rumors, we now know for a fact that the fire was not started by any outsiders. It was not started by people coming in from Oakland or anywhere else. It was started from the people that we all first. Well, some of us here at the station suspected and that was this one transient kid who we kicked out of that, that back area. A few about a week earlier before the fire we kicked him out for trespassing. And he came back and that fire was a retaliation fire. As of this moment, HPD is still searching for that kid and Jimmy's give me giving me the wrap up sign

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Jimmy Carper 11:27

well, not not exactly but that just We need to hurry things along. Kind of running late. One thing I wanted to say I don't know why

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Roy McCarthy 11:34

No. transgenders right

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Jimmy Carper 11:37

I know. Anyway, cafe two peas. Presents. Sunday night cabaret. Sunday, Sunday Sunday. That's right. singing live as Barbra Streisand will be Cindy Harrelson. And that's this Sunday, like Sunday, December 19 7pm 1830. West Alabama. That's becoming a very, very nice little restaurant over there. Yeah. Yeah. Went there. Yesterday, I think it was with with my lover and we had a good time. Go on. Yes. Okay. Hi, Chris.

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tomorrow, Sunday, Sunday, Sunday, Sunday,

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Jimmy Carper 12:21

Sunday, December

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12. A full day of activities occurring. You can start your trick at 6pm at Mary's 1022 West timer for the community Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. There'll be performance by the community gospel singers and benefit drag shows before and after. That's at 6pm following it, as Jackie Thorne was mentioning at the BRB at 730, the 13th annual LVM the I guess that's lady victoria less Christmas show benefiting the PWA holiday charities emceed by Larry Arvo Maxine

petty and Mone a little, little more. The BRB is at 2400 browses. And after that, you can go over to the briar patch the best piano bar by the Houston press and outsmart for the Mr. and Miss Briarpatch presentation of up your chimney.



Jimmy Carper 13:25

up your chimney to thank you very much and that is benefiting stone soup.



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The Briar Patch is at 2294 West Holcomb. A Greenbrier just a little bit down Greenbrier off the Southwest Freeway



Jimmy Carper 13:40

always had that's a fun place.



Roy McCarthy 13:42

Okay, yeah. Yeah. Moving right along here.



Jimmy Carper 13:47

Tomorrow, Sunday, Sunday, Sunday.



Roy McCarthy 13:51

Nothing other than what June the 18th which is just coming Saturday. At toys up there on 5322 glenmont.



Jimmy Carper 14:02

Oh, yes, managed by none other than Miss Scott Lewis,



Roy McCarthy 14:06

who you used to hear here. Yeah, after hours. Husband unchosen. He moved the whole show and what a show it is. Yeah, he's doing a great job out there. Yeah. Anyways, next Saturday, toys is giving is having a Christmas benefit for others. How nice and you can make the other step staff and drop off a Christmas toy for a child with AIDS. And that's going to be from nine to 10pm. Next Saturday, December 18. At toys 5322. glenmont and talking about that the code 40

fives will be having their annual Christmas show at the BRB on Sunday, December 19, Sunday Saturday Sunday at 7:30pm. And the show is where they will announce their annual Chris Community Awards. The BJ summer Entertainer of the Year The Golden cult award and their Ricky Maldonado award. And while on The subject of toys don't forget the Toys for Tots locations drop off at a lot of your club including mirroring what

 Jimmy Carper 15:07

you're talking about is the NLA Houston eighth annual toy drive for children with AIDS and HIV. And the drop offs are not only your favorite watering holes but places like coffee.com Basic brothers erotic cabaret Lobo Blackhawk leathers on and on and on.

 Roy McCarthy 15:31

Okay and

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our final item. men of all ages are welcome to attend this month's meeting of the men's coming out through on Friday, December 17. At the Houston lesbian and gay community center, the meeting beginning at 8pm. Do I need to talk slower so the rest of the group comes in? No, that's fine. The meeting beginning at 8pm will include discussion and support and a social activity. A \$3 donation is encouraged but never required. The Houston lesbian and gay community center is located at 803 Hawthorne, call 713-524-3818 for additional information. And as always, if you want to get in contact with us here at after hours, news and views or anyone else, when else on the new after hours program. You can email us at after hours kpft@hotmail.com

 Roy McCarthy 16:30

And snail mail at 419. Love it. LB TT Houston Texas. Seven seven double O six and one

 Jimmy Carper 16:40


more additional item don't forget the tree lighting at Mary's we already said Okay, nevermind. We're

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still going recovering from your first Sunday. Sunday Sunday.


 Jimmy Carper 16:51


Oh, I see. Okay, gotcha.

 Rainbo de Clown 16:53
So there is a show right before the tree line at 430. Yes,

 Roy McCarthy 16:57
we've mentioned that to


 Rainbo de Clown 17:01
eating cookies.


 Jimmy Carper 17:02
She was getting her cookies in the other room.

 Roy McCarthy 17:08
We have Francisco and Francisco

 Jimmy Carper 17:11
Sanchez and his group are coming in and just a couple of minutes with the Latin segment of after hours and new set. Oh. And we have gotten usual. Yes,

 Roy McCarthy 17:24
break my liver quiver. My knees are quicker.

 Jimmy Carper 17:28
Thank you after hours news and. Whoa, and with that you're listening to after hours queer radio with attitude on KPFT Houston, and ke O 's College Station. I'm Jimmy Carper. And our second segment host is here.

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This is Fransisco Sanchez. And we have Terence O'Neill with us and say hi. And so you're gonna get a whole bunch of stuff Over the next hour and 15 minutes on this back segment of after

get a whole bunch of stuff over the next hour and 15 minutes on this back segment of after hours.

 Jimmy Carper 18:14

Okay. First I was what we heard. What was that music?

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That music was a nice little medley by Paul I'm sorry that old de Blasio. He's a pianist. He's Argentine. He's from Argentina.

 Jimmy Carper 18:28

Familiar we have we have other stuff from him at the station. I've seen it. Yeah,

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I'm pretty sure it's just that this is a Christmas album that he's got out this year and more stuff from him coming out. And we've got coming on later. And we've got a whole bunch of other

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does he look like Ricky Martin?

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No, fortunately, but But you know, things a little bit better.

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Does it matter whether or not Ricky Martin can sing? No. Yeah, of course.

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But we've got a whole bunch of stuff coming up. We've got some storytelling and we've got some great Spanish language Christmas music and so just sit back, relax and enjoy. We've got some mac coming up. Terrence is going to do a reading for us. Deanne Castillo is gonna do a reading for us. She was here last time. If y'all remember, she was the one that was here giving love advice. Even though it's a single woman, right, coming from a single straight woman that can't maintain a relationship. But yeah. Okay, but she's working on a BA in psychology. So she thought you know?



Jimmy Carper 19:32

So he's gonna find out why be exact.



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So we've got that coming up. And just to get you a little bit more in the mood. Christmas is coming up. I certainly haven't started getting ready. I haven't. I've been getting tons of invitations to go into Christmas parties, but I haven't even sent out a single Christmas card.



Jimmy Carper 19:51

Oh, they're not Yeah, I know.



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So, next week, I'll get started.



Jimmy Carper 19:59

Last year, I sent out my cards on the 24th at least as long as it's postmarked. Yeah, that counts. It counts. So



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at last year's Christmas cards this year.



Jimmy Carper 20:10

That's right. That's a good yeah. Hey, you already got my Christmas card. It was real early.



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And actually, we just wrapped up Hanukkah. Didn't we? Just like two days ago? Yes. It was yesterday.



Jimmy Carper 20:20

Friday like that, because I think last last week, it was like the second day so yeah, something in eight fabulous



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nights. Fabulous. Wonderful. And so we're gonna have a little bit of a little bit more of a roll de Blasio coming up. He is the next what you're gonna hear his blog. Blog gonna be that which is why Christmas and Atlanta Viejo, which is a New Year's Eve song, or a New Year's songs. So we'll be right back with some more storytelling after that on KPFT. Here's some more Christmas music for you.



Jimmy Carper 20:52

Oh, that was very, very nice. Nice. Nice. Nice. It What was that again?



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That was the last song was Alonzo Viejo, which is? I guess last year has to some pretty old year. Yeah. Yeah, sure. Yeah. So and that's like,



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sort of button year. Yeah. Thanks. No offense to anyone.



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So if you never thought you'd be dancing the holiday music? You Yeah, no, no, you can



Jimmy Carper 21:22

you can, you can. That's very nice.



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So so that was a nice little mix of the first one we heard was little medley on sort of a little tropical flavor in there. And then some classics and black gonna be that which is why Christmas, who was the first song you just heard right now in the last in the last that we just played? And the other one? I don't know. I don't Well, I don't know if well, I guess there's only one year song that I know in English. When there is





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right. Oh, that data? That is B for

 Jimmy Carper 21:54
Lang sign?


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Yeah. Well, I'm glad you're here. Jimmy, we never would have figured that. We'd like to outreach to communities of color TV so that we could add some flavor to the show.


 Jimmy Carper 22:12
It really really is. You know, and even though we don't even know what the hell it means. Some archaic Irish or Scottish something.


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That's kind of like, you know, expect them to be playing with the Titanic goes down.

 Jimmy Carper 22:29
Yes. Guy Lombardo doing his thing. So what's happening in the Latin community?

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Wow.

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Radio. Right. Yeah, tonight. Yeah, yeah.

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Well, just everything I think just everything everything's switching to like festive party. Yeah. Sort of like, relaxing mode? Well, yeah, I think everywhere.

 Jimmy Carper 22:57
Francisco you kind of have you're probably terrorists. To me. We've got to have the politicos here. Yeah. I mean, when it comes to politics, I'm you just, you're just going strong last week. And you know, so what's happening in the political field wrong, and he knows what's going on

in California. I just spent the night that night. It's this initiative. Yeah, things



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are going well. They're picking up a lot of support on the know on night, and print doing some good, good on fundraising. What I went to California last week, for a weekend, a couple of days, and to go up there on business, and then do a little bit of work on that with some folks up there and then did a little bit of volunteer work on the Tom amiano campaign who is first openly gay candidate. Okay, great shot.



Jimmy Carper 23:42

This is not anything having to do with Latinos. But you know, the mayor that they have right now seems to be very, very good. So why is Tom running against him?



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It's one of those situations where the mayor's good on issues, but the way he runs the administration. And not that I'm not supportive of our current mayor. But if you see the way certain things are done at City Hall, like the recent contract on on the airport parking words, a lot of it was closed doors, circumvent the the process and sort of shutdown council members that have been happening a lot in San Francisco. Okay.



Jimmy Carper 24:24

See, the thing that I think that we see is that boy, this guy is great. Yeah, he's doing the domestic partnership thing and blah, blah, blah. And he's really, so we don't see the other part of it, I guess.



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Yeah. And so it just sort of it just sort of what I was, what the sort of the research I did on the race is sort of that's where Italy where a lot of the opposition to the mayor in San Francisco is coming from. It's just the way the administration is working and sort of in the machine politics and every once in a while. There's a resurgence of, of people in San Francisco last time it happen was like 20 years ago or something like this happened and sort of you Have ventually people get tired of it and, and go off and, and



Jimmy Carper 25:04

revolt? Well, Tom Ammiano will certainly lend some glitter to



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I remember seeing a sign up for the brown campaign. there that said he's one of a kind of talking about Willie Brown. It's like, Well, either way, you're gonna get a mayor. That's one of a guy. Yeah. Yeah, cuz Tom amiano was here when



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September was a word. Yeah. A few months ago. Yeah. The caucus awards dinner. Yeah. And speaker. Yeah. wonderful sense of humor. And everyone who went to the dinner said this is the bet actually was a brunch, said this was the best political dinner I've ever been to. Wow. And I think it's because his speech wasn't political. What was that was that



Jimmy Carper 25:51

we have our mark microphones on these strange because it's kind of metal with springs attached and so that supposedly, you can, you know, put it wherever you want to, but some of them are kind of recalcitrant.



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Well, it's almost like if I don't say the right thing, you're gonna push some button and this microphone is gonna hit me right in the face and just knock me out. I hadn't thought that's a good idea. That's a good idea. I'll say nice things.



Jimmy Carper 26:21

You have always said nice things. Thank you. And you've been on the show many times one time. Are you sure?



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No, no, I was. I thought this was the first time No, I've been on the show before. Not this show. But on the radio station. Oh, okay. Okay, think after hours. This is? Oh, then I guess



Jimmy Carper 26:43

I've been here two times. So it is here that?



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So what about Tom amiano?



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So I don't know, I think you'll be doing well. I'm excited. I think you've got a great shot at winning. So I was pleased to be over there.



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But you know, to answer your question, though, I will say that we Francis and I were talking about this a little earlier, it was how in the Latin culture all of a sudden, there's this explosion of Activity. Activity in the kitchen. Oh, you know, not just people shaking their Bong Bong here and there. Kind of like what you guys are doing with that music was playing Oh, yeah. But it's, it's, there's just so much cooking. You know, if you saw it, you saw the the movie Like Water for Chocolate, and the movies about food and somehow how food can spices things up? And she associates that with a lot of other things which you want to talk about now. But in the Hispanic culture, kitchen, the kitchen is really important. Especially during the holidays. Oh, yeah. It's where all the commodities get together and talk about, you know, that commodity and why they hate her.



Jimmy Carper 27:50

Oh, yeah, yeah. My best friend who has passed away in fact, this I'm wearing one of his shirts. His mother is Latin, his father was white. And so it was always kind of, you know, the around credit. And it still is, I mean, I still go to the family that they've invited me into the family, you know, I have to be there New Year's Eve, or, you know, bad things are gonna happen. But I'm used to having those tamales, you know,



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oh, well, Oh, yeah. Lawson. Tamales? Yes, yes.



Jimmy Carper 28:25

No, it wouldn't be the same without them.



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No, wouldn't.



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And we've got various recipes for people they want to like, call in. We'll mail that out.





Jimmy Carper 28:36

Okay. As a matter of fact out Yeah.



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Do you know what I've been blowing? Do you want to describe what it is? Does it come in a box?



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steadily to Li microwave and it's?



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Well, I think they've replaced the cinnamon twist with brunellos. Now a Taco Bell? Yeah, that's right.



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99 cents you can get



Jimmy Carper 28:57

is that the loan? Payment? Sure. Rose. Oh,



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well, it looks like a tortilla. But it's crispy and it's cinnamon and he's got brown sugar and it makes a mess. You've got like sugar all over your face and all your fingers and all over the table.



Jimmy Carper 29:13

It's not good unless it's messy exam.



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Take a cute boyfriend which afterwards but it's simple. It's actually some of the flour tortilla you just fry it instead of you know cook it on a grill of some sort. Yeah,



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we like frying it's good. Yeah. But no, it's really delicious. So So y'all are interested in like a boo boo and yellow and how to make it and you want to be adventuresome in the kitchen. We come



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to Francisco's house on Christmas.



Jimmy Carper 29:45

There'll be weapon up if you see my reputation



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but it's one of the things we had planned for the night you is a sort of to give people a perspective on on Christmas on a more on a cultural level in black communities we're going to be doing a few readings from from different things from a couple of books and then some people's actual recollections of Christmas experiences. And no I'm going to do now is actually from who said that one pico he was the nephew of California's last Spanish governor. And so that was a kind of interesting, and this is from him recalling his preparations for Christmas, and so I'm going to read that now. There was no business in the country then but raising of cattle. All summer long. The cows fed over the old covered hills in the mornings, and moved away the clover in their four stomachs during the afternoons as they stood beneath the Cecil groves. By November each one was as fat as it could and yet managed to walk. The avocados and most Indians came many days journey across the San Joaquin Valley, driving big herds of cattle to be killed for hides and tallow. There were no roads and the only way to get the products to market was to drive the animals themselves. In killing so many cattle there was more meat than anyone that can that can be eaten or sold, and the choices parts of the beef were cut into long strips, dip and along in a strong boiling brine full of hot red peppers, and then hung over Rawhide lines to dry in the sun, making a very appetizing nutritious food known as Scott got Niseko dried beef, which is used during the rest of the year for preparing the delicious enchilada and chili con garden. Soon after the first of December, the last tide would be piled under the roof. The last scoop full of tallow laddle ladled into its bag, and the sacks and sacks of kindness that got stored away in the in the Chili's of City Hall is in the attic. Then commence the preparations for the fiesta de Cristo la buena Norcia Christmas Eve. Chickens by the dozens were boiled in for days the Indians worked pounding parts corn in storm and stone mortars. The rich meal was rolled around the tender chicken and the whole was wrapped in the chelas in corn husk to be steamed. These packed away in jars would keep until wanted by reason of the quantity of red pepper and the seasoning on the nacho buena at our hacienda. There were always many families beside our own one Christmas Eve, I remember best there was a full moon. Overall the ground there was a glittering frost just enough to whiten everything get not enough to even nip in nip de orange trees, which at this season of the year hang full of fruit and blossom both. We had much music guitars of the Mexican and Spanish type made with 12 strings of wire and mandolins. After supper there was dancing in the patio, coffee and tea got eat those on the veranda and singing everywhere. Someone said there was a beautiful night for a horseback ride over the valley in the Mission Santa Clara. The horses in the corral were soon saddled. There were 25 or 30 of us young men and women. Our horses were the best of the big

herds that were attached to every poncho. The saddles bridles and Spurs were heavily covered with silver bullion ornaments. As in those times we put silver on our horses instead of on our dining tables for Spaniards live on horseback, and they eat but to live instead of living to eat, riding out, riding out of the patio gate. It was like a scene from the time of the Moors in Spain. As our horses snorted in the cold air. They spun the rollers in their bits making music that only the Spaniard horseman knows back to the Hacienda again faster than we came to where the oranges leaned over the dark fountain pool. Then in the patio, there were fragrant coffee from Mexico, tortillas and tamales dig ins were served steaming hot from the big fireplace in the kitchen. Though we danced until morning there was not a sleepy eye in the house. When the daylight came, we went to our rooms or took CSS in the hammocks under the verandas and we're ready for all of March. So when the bell rang, and so for a week, our Christmas lasted and that's always kind of interesting is really typical, I guess of the waves sort of Hispanics that have dropped Christmas not only do we have Christmas, we have the little Reyes, which is in January. So for a good couple of weeks, actually, for that one we sort



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of Yeah, but that sort of reminded me of that. rerun of that Gunsmoke Christmas special my dad's watching this mistake. That was a little too rustic for me.



Jimmy Carper 34:44

Oh, oh,



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yeah. This was before California. headrail.



Jimmy Carper 34:49

Yeah. When probably when California



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was 18 hundred's actually



Jimmy Carper 34:54

yeah, totally Latin. Yeah, yeah.



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So California was California. Yeah. Yeah, surreal thing. Yeah, exactly. So, that was a nice little

look back at sort of not a whole lot has changed, I guess. And I guess sort of some terminology for books love whether or not is Christmas Eve in so



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