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Jimmy Carper

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Jimmy Carper 00:01

You're listening to after hours queer radio with attitude on KPFT Houston, and ke O 's College Station. Francisco Sanchez is here. And we got a call from from Rex and Pentland and says, I really liked this guy. It's really good show bring this guy back. Well, this guy is here, every second Saturday, second half of the show, bringing you news views and what's going on in the Latin community,



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and all kinds of stuff. We're gonna try to do different things every every second Saturday. And certainly, I mean, we'll probably start off with every second Saturday with given folks just some updated information on what's going on and not the elections overnight. We just gave folks a nice wrap up of what's going on. There was a little bit of analysis of what happened with that and try to a big focus on what's going on in the Hispanic community in the gay and lesbian community and outside of it, always trying to do something fun as well. So the ankus deals with us. And I know Roy is already fielding some calls on the topic of dating, I think I don't know exactly what he was talking to someone about, but obviously the right things. You know, it's a first date go Dutch. I have to agree with Roy.



Jimmy Carper 01:19

Yeah, absolutely.



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So that's been interesting. And Dan Castillo is here with us, and she'll tell us a little bit about herself.



Jimmy Carper 01:28

Well, yeah, okay, so what's the straight woman doing on a gay share?



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Okay, well, I am very close to the gay community. Other than that, I just got no, I'm not dumped. I wasn't. That's not a good word. It was mutual. It was a mutual dumping. I coined that.



Jimmy Carper 01:52

Yeah, that's, that's maybe another phrase Marty better. But hey.



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Yeah, the thing was, is that this ex, wasn't very fond of the gay community or actually, any community that's not his, be honest with you. And we had a lot of fights. And he was very narrow minded, and we had a lot of fights. And he just couldn't understand how someone who was straight, could be active in the gay community or have any association whatsoever, and not even be hateful for that manner. So that was, that was a pretty interesting relationship.



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Yeah. Yeah, that was bizarre.



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Just go ahead and play by play action on that.



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Like, smiled and nodded. And I smiled and nodded. Like, you know, I know where this is going. But, you know, friends don't listen.



Jimmy Carper 02:51

Well, yeah. Cuz you can't see the forest for the trees when you're in the forest. Exactly.



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And so we're also here to like save people some money We're flinning through some of these

and so we're also here to like, save people some money. We're sipping through some of these interesting ads that are in the clips in the twit and all these interesting personals, and it's kind of amazing how people have grown to like, where they find each other nowadays, like in print or in cyberspace. Or



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I saw I ran across a website earlier. We were doing a little research on this thing was gay soulmates.com Find your soulmates on the internet. I don't know how he can find the soulmate.



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It's I mean, there's all kinds of different like creative ways I guess there's a some guy in Atlanta was just looking through some personal ID to vote in my ballot box. And all kinds of interesting headings and so but you know, it as Roy was mentioning outside to whoever it was, it was calling I mean, you know, if you're gonna meet someone off of one of these things, definitely do it in a public place and someplace that's safe, and they can both decide on and,



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and always have a friend prepared to page you say you have a way out. We do that. That way. You always do that for me. He always pages me like 30 minutes into into my proposals day in, but you never stopped paid to me though.



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Well, you know,



Jimmy Carper 04:18

is that like, if it's going badly, you can get out of it. Exactly. Oh, let me make a call. Oh, I have this. Yeah.



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My dog broke his leg into the 24 hour event.



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It'll take several days. I'll call you back.



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Jimmy Carper 04:35

That's pretty interesting. You know how to get out of a bad date.

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But you know, you're talking about going Dutch earlier. That's just an odd situation. You never know how to bring that up. I mean, when it comes time, you know? Yeah, it gets right there. And I always judge the waitress on where she puts the ticket. Like if it's closer to the guy If she gets, it has to be right.

Jimmy Carper 05:05

Well, she doesn't know. And she has to kind of guess. Okay, who do I think is going to pay with a metal

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should be? The middle should be, you know the compromise between into True. True? Yeah. So

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if you have like interesting first date stories definitely give us a call. Or if you don't want to splurge on on purchasing one of these ads on the Eclipse or whatever these 900 numbers are charging. Give us a call, let us know who you are, what you would what you're looking for, who knows where you will find someone, maybe you'll find your life partner on after hours.

Jimmy Carper 05:43

Actually, we had. We used to do that a while back and it got to be kind of iffy because of the age thing. But we did get two lesbians together. They were together for quite a few years. They recently broke up, unfortunately. But they got out into the world. I think both of them were kind of inward people. They found each other and started going out and doing things and so they got into the community.

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So Wow. Interesting. Yeah. So that's an option for tonight. So you're driving home and for the

Jimmy Carper 06:22

San Francisco Are you single?



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No, I'm taking alright. I'm happily taking that. How



Jimmy Carper 06:26

long have you been happily taken? For a while



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almost hitting on to a whole long one. I was hitting on two years.



Jimmy Carper 06:33

Careful there. You don't know your anniversary date?



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Oh, it's coming up in February. Okay. Okay. Good. Okay.



Jimmy Carper 06:39

Two years. That's nice. Yeah. And yeah.



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And Deanna single, and so if you happen to just be scanning and you're straight.



Jimmy Carper 06:49

That we have a lot of stress not be must not be an officer. Please, no. No more police officers, more police officers. I'm done with



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police officer uniform. I'm sure that's fine with Oh, yeah, that'd be great.



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And all the condiments that go along with police officer uniform, that would be wonderful.



Jimmy Carper 07:12

Yes. Emphasis on the condoms.



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I meant the handcuffs.



Jimmy Carper 07:19

Oh, girlfriend. Okay,



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hope your family is asleep.



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I told him the wrong stuff.



Jimmy Carper 07:30

We could start a whole new segment. Okay, so do we have any horror stories from dating? It's an interesting thing in the gay community, because many of us don't even know how to date. Because we it's not something you're taught you're, for me. I don't. Just me. But when all of this stuff was happening in the teenage years, I knew I was gay. And so all of this kind of dating ritual thing I just wasn't a part of. And then when I got out into the world, I found out I didn't know how to date men, and didn't know what to do. I mean, what do you do on a date? And how do you date? And how do you find somebody?



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Yeah, I mean, it's so you grew up in you're socialized? To learn how to date women? If you're nine? Yeah, they, man if you're a girl, and you end up if you're gay or lesbian ended up growing up, being able, you know, socializing yourself to get away from doing that. But



Jimmy Carper 08:32

it's very different. with same sex dating. Exactly. But it is different.



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It's not It's, but it's not that easy in the straight community either.



Jimmy Carper 08:43

Oh, I'm not saying that. It is. I think we have our we do have similar



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problems. And I'm speaking from experience.



Jimmy Carper 08:52

It's like, That's the hardest thing to do get to know some areas get into that dating thing. Where if, if, is it going to happen? Is it not going to happen? Am I going to get stood up? Is it going to be lousy? How am I going to get out of it? And that's the thing that is a terrific idea. With the paging routine,



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you'll actually I'd be interested to see how people if people out there that have been together for a while I'd be interested in how they had been adventures going to hear from them how they've met because it just you know that there's a book out there and a camera what it's called but and I seen it's no there's there's a book again, a gay book on couples and talks about their first day in Lima and I can't remember the name of the book. I can't either but it's interesting. And so I mean you know, if you have any input, give us a call 713526 KPFT and who in your in I wish I had it with me it was the outsmart last month had like the best place to take your first date. Yes. And the best place to find the last date



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for all that. Yeah. Right now I'm thinking of the Houston press.



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So I don't know but I think like caught one of the coffee shops are a couple of coffee shops ended up definitely being a good place to take a first date according to Oh, yeah.



Jimmy Carper 10:08

The reader surveys are to me a good place to find one.



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Yeah, exactly. You're ready to dump.



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Since we're in a public place, I like



Jimmy Carper 10:21

yes, Grant go. You're right.



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I like the Houston pressed category. The best, best male restroom. You know where it is? Was that any McDonald's?



Jimmy Carper 10:37

I don't even want to think about.



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Can you supersize it?



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I cannot believe that was there. Oh, that's funny. That is. Oh,



Jimmy Carper 10:52

well, yes, in years past. Maybe that's where you found your date sometimes. But now we have coffee shops and bars. And



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I'm just talking about restroom. Yeah. else going on in there? Do you meet people in a restroom? No. How was that? So is it dry? Do you make a conversation about it?



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Jimmy Carper 11:14

Well, yeah, for men it's. Gone by it was more of a sex thing. And it was because there weren't any gay bars. And it was actually like in New York, during Stonewall, and before Stonewall 1969. It was illegal for homosexuals to congregate. So a gay bar by definition was illegal. I know it seems incomprehensible. So the only place that people could find each other is like through work and you know, is he or isn't he is she or isn't she? And with men it was cruising lots of cruising and parks, bathrooms especially because they're your lows and you're exposed? You know, you can find out really quickly. But But beyond that, I think these days other for an actor that got caught last year. Well actually, I had a musical request by from Georgia, Michael. And David, I don't have anything by George Michael with me tonight. Sorry, but



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we do have someone just as cute. We've got either Ricky Martin or just lined up next. DK,



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I've got Ricky Martin could be nice to find in a restaurant.



Jimmy Carper 12:55

You're listening to all of this on KPFT Houston, ke O 's College Station.



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Ricky Martin. Yummy.



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And then there's also cute Hispanic boy on the cover of the twit this month. This week?



Jimmy Carper 13:17


Yes, certainly is.





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Interesting, actually. So I'm in Dallas this past weekend for the stonewalls that David Duarte who actually used to have a loss. And actually no, it was kind of bizarre to see a friend of mine on the twit. Like, oh, my, what have you been up to?




 Jimmy Carper 13:35  
Do you go to clubs much?


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I haven't really been out in such a long, long time. I just got bogged down. And all these campaigns have been out


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and in a couple of months. And I'm really not a club person. But the one that I do like is by downtown. But then again, no, not that. I've been to lots of clubs to


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come especially differently. I mean, gay couples there.

 Jimmy Carper 14:00  
I know that there's two Hispanic gay clubs in the southwest area, one being toys, which I understand is being managed by Scott Lewis who used to be on this show.

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Yeah. And used to manage heaven. And yeah, so I don't know what they're doing with that new club.

 Jimmy Carper 14:20  
And the other one is energy and energy. Yes.

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And so if you're looking for it, it's misspelled. It's

 Jimmy Carper 14:27  
alright, and I enjoyed this try Z. Yeah. So I have not been to either one of these clubs ever. So but I see in the twit in the voice the advertisements and there seems to be a whole lot of stuff going on out there.



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Toys toys is pretty nice. And



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actually in the past several weeks I've been remodeling it on the inside. Energy now has a separate as many clubs inside the club, and so you can go to one larger club and listen to mostly to Hana music, and the other ones are a little bit more upbeat Spanish rock salt The main idea and that was Chimney Rock, right? Yeah, they're both of Chimney Rock and Glenmont. So they're just like within a block of each other. So they're within walking distance and they're always packed. So,



Jimmy Carper 15:08

okay and but but this is you were talking about, there's traditional music in one club and other Spanish music and the other,



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right and that's just dense, toys is more upbeat. It's more I guess more acculturated. In that sense. It's more dance music. Energy has two separate bars inside it one is more traditional to have no music and the and also inside that club is something another club smaller club that has also salsa and then get Spanish rock and sort of American pop music



Jimmy Carper 15:47

to my way of thinking this is a good thing that the gay community the gay latin community is keeping tradition.



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It is because provides people with an alternative because for example, I you know, I'd like to be able to go to a club every once in a while where it's majority Hispanic and but I don't like to have music. I mean, I would much rather listen to Spanish rock something like Ricky Martin and Ricky English. Yes. And in Spanish, or that's, that's more danceable for for my taste. And that's good, because it provides that sort of opportunity. And spy



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which is pretty gay friendly. On Sunday, they have Latino night. Yeah. So that gets we I've been there on on Sunday nights. And it is, it's fun.



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It is a lot of fun. I mean, the drinks aren't all that great now.



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But the dancing is really good. And the music



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in the end can attest to this, I guess sort of, because we've been to like, we hang out a lot. And so we go to strip clubs and gay clubs win on the chance to come chances that we actually do have to go out. Do you get to go out? And it's your opinion that I guess



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we always sort of fight about it, I guess.



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Yeah. But I mean, it's just in terms of, I think the whole atmosphere. I think gay clubs tend to be a lot more fun. I think. Are we just wow, well, the drinks are better.



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If we're going only by the drinks. Yeah, gay. Okay. gay clubs are are finer and more relaxed. But you know, of course, for me, I'm going to say I'd rather go to strike club because what do I want to find at a club guy, guys, but then again, I'm always with Francisco. And I don't get hit on because this gorgeous Latinos, right next to me, and I don't think any guy's gonna come up to me. So why don't when



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it's fine. I left go to the bathroom. And like by the time I got back, he was already next to your table.



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Oh, oh, that's right. I remember him. He wasn't all that cute. He doesn't count. Oh.



Jimmy Carter 18:07

 Jimmy Carper 18:07

So we're seeing likenesses and differences between the gay community and the straight community. Oh, there

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there are there are definite differences. Yeah, the gay the gay community in the gay clubs, they are very much more relaxed. And it seems as if everyone knows everyone, it's a community. Sure. And the strike clubs aren't like that at all. It's very, more very to yourself. I don't even see a lot of people community communicating with other social groups or other clicks, per se. It's pretty much who you go with with your party. And you pretty much stay inside that.

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And actually, in the end, during the break, we were actually talking about some interesting places for like, little romantic first dates and that kind of stuff. I guess when you do meet someone in our skin around we get I've always enjoyed like late night picnics, and the weather is just so beautiful right now that, you know, you can actually go out and do that. Yeah, just go to a park and I just I'm just a big fan of late night picnics. I think it's always fun. So you know, it's nice. It's romantic. And if you have to be reading this air, then

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we're number one. I'm, I'm more of a public public place more of a coffee shop first. And if the pager doesn't go off, and I don't get saved by the bell, then we'll go to dinner, you know, but something in the public. If it doesn't go right, you have to get out of it. You know, I'm not gonna sit there. I'm not gonna have coffee with someone I don't like and then go to dinner and then have a movie. I'm gonna get out. Francisco favorite. is what I have in the back of my mind. When is the pager going? Major going on? At one time it went off at 30 minutes straight nonstop. Francisco. Do you remember But

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you're not with them anymore. I was trying to save you. But, but yeah, there's I mean, I was just talking just a romantic date sort of thing. I mean, it's a nice thing to do is is sort of a late like picnic. And I mean, the weather's perfect for right now. So the holidays are coming up. So I mean, if that's right, so you know, find time to send me your significant

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or your best bet. Candles with anything. I would say, if you're seeing someone already, and it's not a first date, or I would say dress up your apartment with candles, low lights, dinner will mean I would buy it and put it on plates. And I wouldn't want anyone to taste my cooking. I wouldn't do that to anyone. But I think that would be nice.



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I can't cook. So that's why I offer picnics, you know, you go you get a hand tone through a couple of sandwiches in the basket. Pick a bottle of Chardonnay, some fruit.



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But then again, if you cook for someone, they're always going to expect you to cook for them. I learned my lesson on that. Hence the reason I don't cook



Jimmy Carper 21:15

you know, I'm finding out that like that more and more that seems to be you go to a grocery store, especially in the Montrose and there's less than less food that you have to prepare versus already prepared food like frozen or you know that you buy this piece of you buy this meat and it's already cooked or the chicken already cooked and stuff like that. Oh yeah,



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it's wonderful. I I hardly ever eat out. I mostly eat at home. And it's a pseudo cook. It's the microwave. I've never even use the oven. I don't even know if it works. I will never use them ever. But everything pretty much goes in the microwave, like at Kroger's, they have these awesome frozen beef patties. Okay, I'm so I'm just very into convenient food or you know, it has to be done in five minutes, but it's frozen. It's already ready. You just pop it in sticks of cheese on it, and it's good to go.



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Well, it's better than like the college days when I was living off ramen.



Jimmy Carper 22:21

Yeah, I'm trying to say



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that's never shrimp flavor be flavor chicken flavor. Oriental flavor.



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Well, just don't ever cook that on a first date, please. If you're going to, I guess go for the

shrimp. That's the more elegant of the of the choice.



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But there's also some nice romantic restaurants you can go to around here in Montrose. I mean, you're coming down here, there's Michelangelo's there's



Jimmy Carper 22:45

Oh, I love it. That's a great place. Yes, it is. That is great food. And very attentive waiters, very waitstaff



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for one of my first dates actually went to cafe no chain. It was we sat outside. It was a wonderful weather. And we actually stayed there until there was not one single soul left except for the waitstaff, and I didn't even notice. That's how good it went. But we're not seeing each other. Obviously, my dates don't go too well.



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Maybe with Charlize what's, where do people go now?



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Charlie's? I don't know. I guess Charlie's was mostly like an after? I would. I don't know. They're I'm aging myself. Like, long, long ago when I was a member of hatch. We would where do we go now? I mean, it's just there's no person. There's house of pies. Yes. That's still popular. I mean, that's the



Jimmy Carper 23:50

past the guys. Yeah. Somebody we've got a caller on line two. I'm not sure that our system is working tonight. We'll tell you the truth. Because I'm pushing a button here and nothing seems to be just supposed to have lights go on. And they're not going on. So I'm not sure that our system is working. Maybe the lights are burned out. You know? We don't know. But let's try it anyway. Hello. Hello. Hello. Is anybody Hello? Hello. Hello.



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Kind of like when you're on a first date with someone that's too quiet.

 Jimmy Carper 24:26

Hello. Hey, we did it. Can you hear me? Yes. Are you doing? Can you hear us? Yes. I can hear you. Tada. Okay, you are Morgan from the Galleria area. That's correct. And you want to get in on this conversation?

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Well, I'm frustrated. Yes. Okay. This is the deal. Okay. I've been out about two years. Started kind of late. I'm 36. And going into this, you know, I didn't think it was going to be so difficult to kind of find somebody to meet somebody. And I have just gone through one string of loser after loser after loser. And I mean, I've tried everything I've done personal ads, I've done internet, I've done phone lines, I've joined all the little groups, I've done the bars. And, you know, it's just, it's so frustrating. And I'm not setting, you know, like he's really, really high. You know, as far as what I'm looking for, you know, I guess probably the most important thing is that they just be honest.

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Yeah. Well, I mean, I would just kind of said, I mean, I, I didn't catch the first part of it cuz I was switching microphones because we're still having problems. Yeah, we're having, we're doing but I heard the majority of what you said. And I mean, really looking for something just, you know, to get to know someone better or really even just to looking for a long term relationship? I don't think because it's been, it's difficult to find someone you should lower your standards or, or anything like that, well, I'm

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not looking to lower than Francisco. I'm just looking to find somebody. I mean, you know, as far as the physical side goes, I really don't have a set of standards. I mean, I'd like for them to, you know, take somewhat decent care of themselves, right. But I guess the emotional qualities I'm looking for in someone, you know, by far outweigh any physical. And, and like I said, the majority of the guys, well, I'm not gonna say the majority, every one of them that I've met up to this point, they're habitual liars.

 Jimmy Carper 26:27

Where do you find these guys?

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Like I said, I've done internet. I've done these phone dating line deals where you meet people over the phone, I've done bars, I've joined the clubs, have I've ran personal ads in the press? And





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how do I how involved? Are you in like community groups?



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As much as I can be? Because we go to like, eat through one.



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Yeah, cuz I mean, it just sort of I mean, that might be something like another alternative is to just, and I hate to say that you should go alternative to community groups just to find someone. But



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I've done a lot of volunteer stuff. Yeah. And, like, the last thing I did was with an AIDS hospice, here locally, and most of the people that were there, were there because they were serving community service, because I'd been in trouble with the



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law. Oh, wow. Ouch. Yeah, that's probably not where you want to stay. You



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know? I mean, I don't know. I don't know.



Jimmy Carper 27:27

I don't know. Sometimes I you know, I always say you're gonna find the love of your life in the aisle at Kroger's. Yeah, just doing very ordinary things that are the things you'd like to do. I don't know what kind of hobbies you are, but people with similar interests. If you like to go out and drink and party a lot, then you know, by all means, go to bars. But you know, what, what do you like to do? What are your interests?



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Well, you know, I have a son, for my marriage. Okay. So every other weekend, that's, you know, part of my involvement, that's been a problem for some of these people in the past. The fact that I had a child. I love sports. You know, I go to the games whenever they're here in town, I play, you know, on a gay softball league. I tried the gay bowling thing. Oh, I love that.

That's yeah, that was a lot of fun. But But anyway, I've tried a lot of different things. The last guy, the last thing that I was trying was the internet. And the young lady had said earlier, you know, you're never gonna find your soulmate on the internet. Right? That is definitely true. That is definitely true. The last guy that I met, I had an ad on there through Yahoo. And it was very specific about what I was looking for. And that, you know, what my sexual preference was. And the guy responded to my ad, he was Asian. And, you know, I didn't even question the sexual piece of it, because my ad outlines what I was looking for, as well as you know, the sexual as well as all the emotional things I was looking for in a relationship. So this went on for about two months. And it came time, you know, for the sex part of it to kind of roll into it. And he wanted to poke me. First of all, I didn't know agents could do that. Excuse me.



Jimmy Carper 29:34

Oh, watch. Without to wrap this up. We we just totally run out of time here. I'm sorry, Morgan. Maybe we can continue this another weekend. Morgan, yes. Well, thank you for calling. I've got to let you go. I'm sorry. We're totally out of time. Big Daddy j is here with the red eyes special you've been listening to after hours. So, right here on KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station. We've been talking to Francisco Sanchez and Deanna Castillo and we have to go see you next week.



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