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Jimmy Carper 00:33

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Sarah DePalma 02:38

dipalma. How are y'all? Hey, this is a somewhat punchy in a little bit goofy Sara, I have had enough antihistamines in me that my feet do not quite like a lot of people I am suffering the allergy season from hell. So if I sound a times like Kermit the frogs and other times like Miss Piggy, you will know why. Oh, it hasn't hit me yet. I feel very fortunate. Very fortunate. My head feels like it weighs about 111 pounds and would like to fall forward if I would allow. Driving down here was was plenty. So which reminds me yeah, I'm always driving down here for Sharpstown tonight. I passed to Rex in an ambulance. Boys and girls. If you're out there driving,

would you please be careful? Oh, yes, please. We would appreciate it. It's a It's kind of scary. I don't drive that far. And find two wrecks and the shorter distance I thought, ooh, what is going on? Right? I realized there's a full moon over Montrose, but give us a break. Okay. So

J Jimmy Carper 03:42

before we start, I want to give a plug for chicken George. He's gonna be at fusion. Fusion. Now that is a great, great restaurant on the corner of Alabama and Main Street. It's like two blocks from where I live. Man go there during the week. Good dinner, cheap, good, friendly people. Good food. Really good food.

S Sarah DePalma 04:04

You said the magic words for me cheap. I like good and cheap food.

J Jimmy Carper 04:11

Now I'm saying that because it's good. And it's in the neighborhood. And that's part of our, our program here at KPFT of community first, and where we promote community businesses. That's right. That's gay, straight, whatever. Whatever. Yeah.

S Sarah DePalma 04:27

Well, we got some good things coming on the show tonight. I'm back actually, I would like people to get out a pen in taken write down for the next three shows because we've already got these in the bag. Whoa. And these are the woman works. For the first show. The first thing she doesn't want to talk about is the one we're going to have tonight. And this is with a woman by the name of Cheryl Chase. Now Cheryl Chase is the director of the intersect Society of North America. And I am a little bit embarrassed to say that I knew next to nothing about intersex people. I had done a little reading on it. I had done some research on the internet.

J Jimmy Carper 05:05

Well until you and Gigi, I, you know, to me it was something that was a fantasy in somebody's mind. I never thought that intersex people actually existed.

S Sarah DePalma 05:16

Well, I had met. I had met a couple of intersex people when I was in Washington, DC. When I was doing some lobbying in Austin, I met one from here from Texas, but we never really had any in depth conversation about anything. And um, it's a little embarrassing to admit that I've been a national transgender leader and knew so little. Well,

J Jimmy Carper 05:35

well. If you're if you're you're not, it's not in your face. If somebody isn't telling you about it. If you're not educated, you don't know that's what part of this program is.

S Sarah DePalma 05:44

Well. That's right. And and how this interview came about is actually I had started out by talking to Dana precinct who is the chief lobbyist for an organization called Gender PAC, which is combined organization of transgender org of it's an organization of organizations working on behalf of transgenders in Washington, DC. Gotcha. Okay. And but Dana precinct was not able to do the interview for variety of reasons. So she had recommended, well, why don't I get Cheryl Chase? I said, Fine. Who is she? And so Dana has spent some time explaining to me who Cheryl Chase was, and the kind of work that she did. And I was extremely impressed by what she told me since I write. So contacted Cheryl Chase. And she was everything that Dana said she was in more Wow, this is a fascinating woman with an amazing story to tell. And I would pre start this by saying to the listener, imagine you are born with mixed genitalia. I always always have the idea that if a hermaphrodite was a person who had was born with both sexes, and that's not so it's actually mixed genitalia. And the doctor says, Okay, we're going to make you this x. And that's it. So the doctor chooses what you're going to be. And what happens if he chooses wrong? And that happens could happen and half 50% of the time, according Cheryl, it's more than that. No kidding. Yeah. Imagine that. They decide that they're going to make you a woman. But do a clear direct me. First of all, let me clear correct me Excuse me. Yeah, that's, that was my reaction when Cheryl told me also, and

J Jimmy Carper 07:32

we need to get her on Matthew Momo show. I mean, they talk about this horrible procedure.

S Sarah DePalma 07:39

And she makes a very interesting point about it in the interview, so I challenge the audience tonight. I know there are those of you who out there who say, Oh, it's Van Damme transsexual again. You know, and this is a queer show and what the hell is that transsexual do and they rock her. She's a queer, okay, on this query as yet and proud of it. But I would, I would really challenge the audience tonight. Stick around for this interview. If you thought that genital mutilation only took place in Africa. Cheryl Chase is going to be here tonight and tell you you're wrong. Very, very interesting woman. Now write this down on your calendar. News has already started going out on the internet on various websites. Our next program we are going to be spending an evening with Pat Khalifa.

J Jimmy Carper 08:29

Bar. Yeah, my my idol.

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Sarah DePalma 08:32

Pat Khalifa for those who are not aware is a one of the I, in my opinion, the best lesbian writer of s&m fiction, and African scratch the lesbian. She's the best writer of s&m fiction,

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Jimmy Carper 08:46

period. She writes hot fiction for men too. Yeah, in fact, she got her start writing a advice column in the advocate the advocate for men.

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Sarah DePalma 08:55

That's right back when the advocate was a newspaper, and had the pink pages inside. Remember those? Yeah, okay. Yeah. And I just suddenly thought, I don't believe I remember that. Oh. But Pat Khalifa has written an excellent book, which we will be talking about, we're going to be using parts of it tonight, called sex changes the politics of transgenderism. And I would say, first of all, to any of the transgendered people out there, if you don't know anything about the history of transgenderism. If you're not familiar with some of the pioneers who went before us, I encourage you to go down to one of the better bookstores in the city. And order this book. Crossroads will order it for you. Oh, yeah. This is just terrific stuff. There were there's a lot of information for example, about Christine Jorgensen. And I thought that I knew her story and it turns out actually knew very little. Really, yeah, they have very interesting. She really goes into the in depth history of some of the transgender pioneers and what their stories really were things like people like Renee Richards. I thought I knew her story. I was wrong. There was much more to it very interesting stuff. She talks directly to the gay and lesbian community about their own transphobia admits to her own transphobia very, very interesting book. And in the second half of the interview, we talk f&m.

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Jimmy Carper 10:25

Oh good. So

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Sarah DePalma 10:28

let's say you now put this one down on your calendar. That's a month from tonight, the second weekend in the month, in May in May. We're an interview with Pat and an evening with Pat Khalifa. I had to work for four months to track this going down. I want you to know, this was worth it. This was worth it. And one

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Jimmy Carper 10:47

of my favorite writers female writers pack Olivia and Carol queen.

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Sarah DePalma 10:52

She now I'm not familiar with it. Oh, she Yeah, you have to tell me about her.

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Jimmy Carper 10:58

I don't know who that is. We had an interview with her on the bisexual show.

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Sarah DePalma 11:03

Oh, cool. Let's find out.

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Jimmy Carper 11:04

She writes for black sheets.

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Sarah DePalma 11:06

Oh, you see, that's why I was bisexual magazine. Okay.

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Jimmy Carper 11:11

And she's also starred in some lesbian adult films. Okay, that'd be interesting. Find out that made by lesbians in San Francisco.

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Sarah DePalma 11:22

Yeah, you know, one of the problems with a lot of the SNM films or lesbian films for that matter is they're made by people who don't know what the hell they're doing. Right. This

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Jimmy Carper 11:30

one was, this one was yes. Makes a big difference. Still fantasy stuff, but it was made by women for women. Okay, much

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Sarah DePalma 11:37

better. That's much better. In in June we're going to be doing in June, of course, was we get close to Pride Week. I have an interview with Sylvia Rivera. Oh, now, this is one I know who she is. See you do. I've been mentioning her name to people in the transgender community to say, and I've gotten a uniform who shit. Which is sort of sad. Well, you have to be I think you have to be certain age. A certain age you have to be at least over 40

J Jimmy Carper 12:08

I think yeah, that's probably true and probably older than that to

S Sarah DePalma 12:10

know Sylvia Rivera was a transgender pioneer. Before there was a word transgender. Sylvia Rivera was living cross gendered in New York City was at the Stonewall bar the night that the Stonewall riot went down. Yes, in a very, very interesting woman talking about what it was like to be transgendered pre Stonewall. What actually happened at Stonewall bar, what her life has been since after Stonewall Inn, she spent some time talking about it and expresses some anger that Stonewall has been represented so widely as a gay and lesbian riot. When she says when she points out, virtually every person that was at that bar was the person who lived cross gendered. And she says, And I, you know, I have no reason to doubt that it should be appropriately called a transgendered riot, which gays and lesbians benefited by. Got it. So very, very interesting woman. We've done a whole series of local charities, and I've been very pleased to be doing those. And we're going to do some more. But one of the things that we've always done well on this program is we've been able to get national guests in and national figures to come on the program. Talk to us about some of the various issues. And I'm pleased to say that at least for the next three months, we have three of the very best starting with tonight. So we invite you to stay with us. This is going to be a an excellent program. One other one other piece of information I want to pass along to you. There has been a lot of happenings lately in the political arena with transgenders, particularly in the case of Colorado. Diane Cecotto, who has been a guest on this program has really had a lot going on. There have been some interesting cases of involving gay marriages, or same sex marriages, I guess is more appropriate that Diane zicatela has been involved with. She's just been generally kicking butt and taking names and

J Jimmy Carper 14:26

she's the type of woman who can do it. You know, we had her in the studio when I was so impressed that she doesn't message these folks. No,

S Sarah DePalma 14:35

no, I brought in some of her testimony. We're gonna talk about that. I also run in testimony tonight truly short. But testimony of two transsexuals who has testified in Wisconsin on the issue of same sex marriage that had been married 27 years now have three teenage children. And I brought in some of their testimony and what they had to say at about same sex marriage vary for gays and lesbians out there. We like to say, well, what's the big deal? You know, what I keep hearing the transgendered people say, well, they already have a same sex marriage. So we do.

J Jimmy Carper 15:15

Well, you know, it's coming to the point that it's going to be a combination of a lot of things.

There was an article in the latest advocate about straight ministers in Methodist churches who were performing commitment. Yes, ceremonies, and one church was kicked out Baptist Church. That was in Austin, right in Austin. And the other one there was a Methodist Church, where the Minister he was he was told by the bishop do not perform these commitments or services anymore. So in protest, he's not performing any marriage.

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Sarah DePalma 15:53

Oh, oh, good for him or her whichever the case.

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Jimmy Carper 16:00

And in both cases, the congregation's are behind there behind them. Well, that's fabulous. Well, yeah.

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Sarah DePalma 16:07

That's what and of course, that's the way it's supposed to be. You know, but I had you may remember that a year ago, I was on the show saying that if same sex marriage laws eventually took effect, it was going to be because transgenders made it happen. Yep. And now we're seeing that exact thing happening in Colorado. We have very interesting case in Florida. Now, this shows you how trailspace shows you how transphobic some of these people are they in Florida, they have dropped a religious freedom bill out of the fear that if it was passed, it would actually allow same sex marriages. So they're passing they refused to pass a bill that was for their own benefit, because it might possibly, in some circumstance, help a homosexual. No, thank you. This is really pathetic, yawn, stupid. I realized Florida's kind of backward but boys and girls, that's a little bit much. So anyway, Please do stay with us. This is gonna be a great chat. And you've got some,

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Jimmy Carper 17:12

well, I've got I've got some a lot of stuff. My good friend JD, JD Doyle. Say he's heavily on the internet. And he's very into gay music. Like I'm anti gay music. So, you know, between he and I, we pretty much you know, we put our stuff together, we pretty much have it all, I think. But it's the glamour awards. And he he was upset about this. Now what is glamour, gay and lesbian American Music Association. Oh, I'm okay. All right, a second annual awards show, okay, for queer music. Did you know about it? No. Did you read anything about it? And

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Sarah DePalma 17:56

I they now that you say it, I may I didn't think I may have seen something on the internet about

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Jimmy Carper 18:01

it. There was a three part article in the triangle which covered not much of it. And never did give who won. However, the award ceremony was on the internet. It was it's a three hour it was a three hour show. It went over the internet. JD gave me a copy of it. I'm on the last tape now. It's it's just amazing to me the amount of performers who were nominated, that we play regularly here on after hours. Well,

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Sarah DePalma 18:41

you've always been very good at that. I mean, you've always had a musical portion to show because I know very little about it. I didn't know who was

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Jimmy Carper 18:46

nominated. I mean, there are a lot of artists that I don't know. But k.d. lang got the Michael Callen award for what that's for overall achievement in the field for being out and being a role model

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Sarah DePalma 19:05

where she has made it possible for others to come behind him that is certainly true. Got

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Jimmy Carper 19:09

it and that's why that was initiated. And Michelle on the day girl cello one four,

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Sarah DePalma 19:19

want to hear you say that needed three times fast the challenge he did it to handle

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Jimmy Carper 19:27

she she got it for best video, which is also very important for being out because they can hear our voice but when they see us and see those videos, that's very, very important. She got that for Leviticus fagot and many, many others I'll be bringing you results and and the songs of the winners in the future. And and the what the other thing that was kind of weird to me is that Tom Robinson got two awards. He's from England, right?

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Sarah DePalma 19:58

Where did he get awards? Well,



J Jimmy Carper 19:58
why would he be getting in award in the gay and lesbian American Music Award.

S Sarah DePalma 20:02
Well, I don't know. I mean, I guess technically the Oscars are an American award, too, I guess. But lots of Europeans win all sorts of things,

J Jimmy Carper 20:11
I guess, I guess, if they're in an American film, and I guess these were American record companies,

S Sarah DePalma 20:17
maybe maybe so maybe he had no bar, they just everybody and he was it

J Jimmy Carper 20:22
certainly should be acknowledged for a lot of the stuff he's done. But on the other side of everything, I will be playing some of that later. Intersperse a, an idol for many gay people in the music field died this past week, right? You're talking about Tammy Wynette, only 54. I met her one time. Yeah, it was a tiny petite thing, probably a size two. And you know, Jamie, she was on hormones. She died of a blood clot in her lungs. And she had been on hormones for menopause for the last three years. And I read that the paper and I looked at that, and I thought, oh, four, she's had medical problems for the last 20 years staffing in and out of the hospital for a variety of things. But she still is an idol for a lot of gay people. And I have a couple of songs I want to play one for her. And then secondly, a song that really helped me out. You know, how, you know when things go really bad. And you may hear a song and it really just, it helps you? Yeah, this is a song that helped me when I was kind of down and out one time. You know,

S Sarah DePalma 21:39
this is kind of funny for me because I grew up in the north. Yeah. And never was a country western fan. Me either. And yet, I became a big fan of the blues. Because there was a radio station that blasted out to Harlem that I could hit, I could hear it at night. So I grew up listening to John Lee Hooker and muddy waters and ZZ Hill and, and all those older blues times. And people saying, Oh, how to white girl like you learned? Well, it's kind of a convoluted story. But to me Country Music was always just kind of goofy. And to me, Tammy Wynette, epitomize the goofiness. Country Western.

J Jimmy Carper 22:19
Because of her those two songs di VRC Yeah, stand by your man. That became a cliché, but she

had she put out I don't know. 2025 3040 album, no 50 albums.

S Sarah DePalma 22:32

According she had like 30 Number one songs or some

J Jimmy Carper 22:35

radical incredible, incredible amounts of music and, and lots of really beautiful stuff. Lots of gospel music. She did it all. Yeah, well just remembered for those two.

S Sarah DePalma 22:49

I mean, she was big stars now, because drag queens did them all the time. You know. But it Laurie and

J Jimmy Carper 22:56

she loved it. She loved that drag queens did her music.

S Sarah DePalma 23:00

Laurie and I were talking about it the other day, the two songs that we most remember drag queens doing? We're staying by your man. Yes. And it's raining men. Oh

J Jimmy Carper 23:14

God anyway, we want to remember Tammy and this is on vinyl folks. So I mean, I've had these for a very long skinny so snap, crackle and pop. But you know what? I've got some blues on vinyl. And I think it's supposed to sound that way. Yeah, it adds to Yeah, it does. And we want to say a fond farewell to the First Lady of country music, Tammy and you're hearing it on after hours. Through radio with attitude on KPFT Houston, and ke O 's College Station and now this is the one that helped me when I needed it the most. Thank you, Tammy. Oh, yeah, the First Lady of country music me wine that we will miss her.

S Sarah DePalma 24:04

We were just talking about it off the other off the air. And I was asking Jimmy, what is it about these the female stars of country music that make them such easy fodder for the drag queens you know, I



J Jimmy Carper 24:16

mean, your life is a drama. You know, everything is horrible. They're there. They're men, leave them and go off with other women and beat them and you know all this. It's it. They live these horrible lives and it's great. We love it. We wallow in it.

S Sarah DePalma 24:32

I'm just saying I was never a country western fan. The one song that I did like a country music. Yeah, I don't even remember who doesn't want. What about I was drunk today. My mom got to prison. You're the one talking about? Yes.

J Jimmy Carper 24:45

Yeah, yes, it was. I think I forget who wrote what's the Jerry Jeff Walker wanted to write a song that had all the elegant, perfect country. Song Yes, with the train and the prison and then

S Sarah DePalma 24:57

they came back and said, Well, you didn't get it. All right, because you didn't mention my Hammer for getting drunk for pickup.

J Jimmy Carper 25:02

That's right. That's right. And a lot of a lot of, especially with women that the country involves their husbands or boyfriends, drinking a lot and not treating them well, and it's great stuff. It's great. Whereas some of the titles are just wonderful.

S Sarah DePalma 25:22

Well, you know, and it's funny because I really knew very little about Tammy Wynette. Um, I think I probably learned more about her reading her obituary than I knew about her total beforehand. My actual I actually my first exposure to country music was probably Dolly Parton. Oh, really? And I've always liked dolly I don't know why there's something about dolly because she's right and cheery if you don't like dolly it's kind of something a little strange, but

J Jimmy Carper 25:47

she's one that she's she's a happy

S Sarah DePalma 25:52

the music that she hit that I've heard her do seems very real to me, you know, I he's signed with the coat of many colors, and I just love that

J Jimmy Carper 26:01

the best I just love that. And so and that's a lot of phone. There's a lot of things with female Country and Western singers, their their fans come up to them and say, You saying like, you know my life, you know? Yeah,

S Sarah DePalma 26:16

I guess when I know I learned something new all the time. i It's funny thing about I haven't grown up in the Northeast. And then moving to Texas. Even now, sometimes a family sort of a culture clash in my head.

J Jimmy Carper 26:29

Oh, yeah. But there's a lot of Country and Western singers I really liked like Garth

S Sarah DePalma 26:35

now he had sellout shows here and he's five

J Jimmy Carper 26:37

Can you believe that? You know, he deserves it. I mean, he is we

S Sarah DePalma 26:40

probably could have sold out of steam twice this side. Yeah, yeah. And in NASA even I like Garth Brooks say, but Garth is not to me. He's not country. Nope. in quotes. Garth is kind of modern nice things about

J Jimmy Carper 26:55

you mean like Hank Williams, Jr.

S Sarah DePalma 26:58

I mean, like George Jones. Yeah. Oh, I loved your fingernails on a chalkboard. I call that twang music. Playing 2020. Well, okay, see, I learn something new. I say I grew up in the Northeast. And I grew up listening to people like Maria k in the radio. Yeah, I like that, too, in cousin BRUCEI. And so I grew up listening to all that stuff in 60s. And I grew up in the psychedelic era

with whipped cream and all those people and so that was bowing down here with the 13th Floor Elevators that was named a group. Why not? Strawberry alarm fire and they were pretty weird today. They

J Jimmy Carper 27:34

nearly they nearly made it big. Just you know, just just a smidgen from getting national. Yeah, but they're very well known down here. See, I like all of that. I like classical.

S Sarah DePalma 27:48

Yeah, I can handle anything some country on

J Jimmy Carper 27:51

that acid jazz show before us. Isn't? That's a hot show.

S Sarah DePalma 27:55

Like some of that wasn't so bad. But no, see, that's not so bad. So, you know, it's kind of interesting. Growing up in the new music is different. And it's always on in my house. We Yeah, not I travel every night, because we've always got music on the house. And of course, I played a lot of blues and a lot of rock and roll.

J Jimmy Carper 28:13

And people send me stuff. And it's embarrassing, because I'm about a month behind. And stuff that people have sent that I haven't done. I haven't had the chance to listen to it

S Sarah DePalma 28:23

all the time or listen to it. Yeah, man. Well, but that's not a bad hobby to have. I love it. We were talking earlier about that same sex marriage. Yes, we were. I brought so much testimony that took place in Wisconsin. And I wanted to read a part of this. Let me back up and tell you a little bit about this. Okay, this was a bill that was being proposed in Wisconsin which by the way I expect to see proposed here in Texas too. That not only would have banned same sex marriages, but also could very well have disbanded existing marriages between a transgendered spouse and a non transgendered spouse.

J Jimmy Carper 29:06

You mean like people who have like married and then one of the

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Sarah DePalma 29:10

one of them transitions lenses? Yes. Yeah. So this would have been a quite a terrible bill. And I wanted to read about them Yes, I did tears the family apart what attorney entire family probably isn't

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Jimmy Carper 29:21

it up to the other spouse as to whether they want to divorce that person or not?

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Sarah DePalma 29:28

Well, yeah, you know, when I think about people like Beth Richard example been married, you know, in or Phyllis or Phyllis and Hadley married you know, for ages and ages and are gonna stay married and they they're wonderful parents and yeah, in Yeah. So anyway, this is I'm not gonna read all this testimony, but I do want to read some bits and pieces of it. Okay. First of all, her name is Debra Johnson. She is the current director. It's time Wisconsin. In here's what she says. The only thing that makes our home different from others. nursery or the geraniums in the front window that my spouse is able to trick into blooming all through the winter. Wow. Must be pretty good gardener no kid inside, you would hear a lot of laughter. Ever. That's a Deborah's wife and I enjoy each other in our children. And from time to time, they in their college friends still make our homeless stopover on the way to more interesting destinations. So now can't be much wrong in this household with the parents are bringing their friends home do it alright, you know, I attend Bradford church sing alto when the choir, volunteer at the shalom center soup kitchen, and relax and accompany your friends. I include letters from the pastor of our congregation, our bishop, and the district administrator of the Unitarian Universalist Association and figures all testifying to our being a family in every sense of the word. But the bill before you plainly states that same gender marriages such as ours, would be an old if enacted. And I have to ask you what possible interest the state of Wisconsin has in destroying our marriage? Does Wisconsin really want to punish heterosexual spouses for remaining faithful to their marriage vows. If enacted, this bill will make our relationship adulterous in our children, the legitimate, it will raise our taxes and insurance rates snatch away my health insurance and confiscate the Social Security pensions we wish to entrust to one another, all without helping a single heterosexual marriage. That's right. Wisconsin has a reputation as a thoughtful and progressive state I do I asked you to reject this bill. All of those points are legitimate. And it makes you wonder what the hell are the legislators thinking? They weren't? You know,

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Jimmy Carper 31:58

they absolutely were not. Or they were they didn't have that side of the story. When they were talking about they're making up this law.

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Sarah DePalma 32:09

Yeah, it's just I thought this was very powerful testimony. And then her wife spoke her wife's

mean, it's just I thought this was very powerful testimony. And then her wife spoke her wife's name is ABA. She says my spouse and I were married 29 years ago. Our marriage is based on mutual status, mutual faithfulness, trust in God's guidance, respect and care for one another. Oh, yes. And we also have fun. Through our ups and downs, we have had a loving relationship. And we have always been able to depend on each other's love and trust. We have raised two daughters, who are now in college and beyond. When our first baby was born, I quit my job after three months of maternity leave to be an at home mom, we did the thing that parents are supposed to do. We had a good marriage, we took kids to our nursery school, read them bedtime stories to help them do schoolwork. Now the state of Wisconsin says they want to know my marriage. I only have one question for you. Why, exactly.

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Jimmy Carper 33:10

That's it. Why? And and they,

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Sarah DePalma 33:14

I can't see a reason. Now. Now. And I just thought this was such a powerful step. I am I fully expect that we are going to see a bill very much like this come up in Texas. And in the past, when bills like this have come forward, they've gone nowhere. But this is going to be a different legislature. We have a conservative governor who would like to be president. We I if all the polls are right, there will be a very large conservative sweep. And notice I didn't say Republican or Democrat, because in truth in Texas, there isn't really a lot of difference between Republican and Democrat. In Texas, the argument is who is more conservative than that? Yeah,

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Jimmy Carper 33:59

that's that's pretty much I mean, I mean, that's really the truth of the matter. And and it's all tied up in fundamentalist.

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Sarah DePalma 34:05

Oh, very much so. And I, I am truly convinced, absolutely convinced that we're going to see a bill like this, come through the legislature this time that we'll have some cloud period. And I have already started talking to the transgender community and warning them that this bill is coming. Once the sun comes up, they should count on it. It's coming. Deborah help us. It's It's Time Texas, we're going to be holding meeting at my house on April the 26th. Dealing very much with this issue. We have representatives coming in from Beaumont and from Dallas and from from Austin. And we're going to be taking a very hard look at this whole issue because we truly believe that we are going to have to be in a full defensive mode in this session. And I would say to any of you who are out there who are gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, pay attention, because this could be a key issue for you Who, if you are planning to adopt children, if you have adopted children, this is an issue. If you are transgendered people, couple if you are married, if you're planning to be married, pay attention, this could be very this could be you. And I would, I would, I have already begun to make appeals to people like the Human Rights Campaign, and to the national decay Task Force for help, because this is going to be a

knockdown, bloody fight. And I'm very pleased to say that the National Gay Lesbian Task Force responded within 24 hours. And so I think I'm fairly certain that we will be able to count on help from them. But from other places, I would really strongly recommend you heard it here first, this show has always had a history of being ahead of the curve. And we have always been ahead of the curve on this issue. Usually, we have seen things coming ahead of time, we've told you what was coming. And then afterwards, people would come back and say, Well, how do you know that? I can't tell you how I know just take my word for it. Okay. And so I would really encourage you to go ahead and do something about it. Whether you work through the HRC whether you work for the in GLTF, whether you work through It's Time Texas, get involved because this is going to be a key issue. It's going to be knocked down bleh fight. Okay, little different issue. Yeah. Diane secretario has been raising, you know, what, hey, Diane, up in Colorado, and she, I told her that I was in the process of writing a book and I asked her for some information about some of her views on sex, gender, gender, identity, all that sort of stuff. Because I am more and more convinced that we need to get rid of gender identity is the within the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual. I guess they are back up until you I didn't put that yet, right. transgenderism is still considered a I don't want to mental illness is too strong. But it's it's a meant it's an emotional disturbance.

J Jimmy Carper 37:08

Well, it's kind of a round robin thing. Because to get help and to get hormones and get all that you have to say yes, I have a disease.

S Sarah DePalma 37:18

Yeah. And they call it gender dysphoria is actually the name that go by and, and what it means is, in essence to boil it all down, is that there is a some sort of disruption in your personality. And you'll often hear people say things like they were trapped in the body, the wrong body and that sort of thing. Well,

J Jimmy Carper 37:37

yeah, they're just more aware. And you know, that they know that that's what they have to tell their psychiatry more

S Sarah DePalma 37:42

and more, I am finding that employers are using that as a club, saying, Well, why should we hire it's personally basically mentally ill, right. And so now we're finding that this, this is not you know, I, years ago, I warned everybody this was gonna be the bottom line. And at the time, I said, everybody looked at me like I was out of my damn mind. Well, here we are in here's the problem. Well, sure enough,

J Jimmy Carper 38:05

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to get help, there was a way to get help. And essentially, what it's done, I'm convinced is made us dependent on on these gatekeepers, who get very wealthy and we buy their boats for them at \$110 an hour. I see where they're benefiting. I am not so serious certain that I always know how we as a community have benefited. But in any case, I asked I and second hello to resend me some definitions. Okay. And she did and here's what she says. She describes sets in sacks and she puts in parentheses, the noun, not the verb obviously understands me very well. It is your physical body and specifically it is what is between your legs. It is your genitalia, that are very much what I've been saying all along. Okay. Sex is how the state classifies you on your birth certificate and your driver's license. Okay, so, we're long time we've been saying that sex is what is sanctified by the state and church. Well, here we go. He reads that basically, sex the verb is what you do with sex. pinout Yeah, we're pretty sure of Diane, but thanks, anyway. Yeah. Okay. Our gender is everything else that makes you who you are. Interesting.

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Jimmy Carper 39:33

Yeah. That's pretty concise. Yeah, that's

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Sarah DePalma 39:36

interesting definition. It is how you act, how you react, how you pro act. That's a very interesting definition. You pro how you pro act. I've never heard anyone say that before. That's let's see. We'll take that in. Second. Tell them and think that one through I like that. It is how you respond to the world around you, and how the world responds to you The interesting definition of gender. I agree with that

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Jimmy Carper 40:03

talking about society and how the world responds to you is one thing here in the States and another thing in India and somewhere else something else in Thailand and yeah, because it's it's a society thing.

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Sarah DePalma 40:18

Well, that's right. And I think I said once before, what does a woman in California and a woman in Iran have in common tonight? Their biology and nothing else are bad and that's it. So yeah. She says a gender is your spirit. It is your soul. It is the innate and immutable you. Okay? Very, very, I thought, which is terrific stuff. Gender roles. She says, Oh, those are the roles.

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Jimmy Carper 40:46

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Sarah DePalma 40:48

well they don't make any sense. These are the roles, the rules, the stereotypes that govern how people are supposed to act based on their apparent genitalia or birth. And I point this out