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Jimmy Carper 00:01

and you're not you don't have big signs on your house saying, hey, guess what, two women who love each other live here. But just in you living together, you do gardening, you know, you're out, you talk to the neighbors. And that's how people are stopped getting scared of us.

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Sarah DePalma 00:20

Well,

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Jimmy Carper 00:21

they know you. It's like, Well, there's two women who live together down the street. And you know, they're really nice folks and all of that. And, yeah, why should they be kicked out of their house?

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Sarah DePalma 00:30

When I talked to Nancy Bure Meyer at the conference, one of the things we discussed was the credibility that an organization has when it goes to Congress. Know when the HRC goes to Congress, and they talk on behalf of gay lesbian people. Congress, people know that the HRC has serious financial backing, they donate a million dollars a year. They know that the HRC has severe support of its community. And what it really has, though, is the support of a lot of gay white guys who are willing to donate big money. They don't actually have huge numbers of people supporting them. What they do have are people with who make large donations. The fact of the matter is that if transgenders want to be included in equal rights amendments and hate crimes laws, we are going to need and I'm talking now at the local level, we need to start making the voice of our own. It's one of the reasons that It's Time Texas is coming back, is because after we withdrew for a while, we lost her voice in Austin. And we can't have that. So It's Time Texas has come back. But if we want right, now, another thing that we're gonna need

to do is we need to start showing up in some of the gay lesbian. Places power. Okay, by that I mean, I think for one thing, I think we need to start showing up H G. OPC. Meetings. That's good place to start. Now I'm really torn. And one thing I have

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Jimmy Carper 02:15

to it pisses me off it you have to do it because a lot of these groups talk about gay lesbian and bisexual. Now to bisexual in most cases, is an add on. bisexuals

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Sarah DePalma 02:32

are doing nothing for themselves political

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Jimmy Carper 02:34

absolutely zero. No, in fact, and that's why I guess the game was being groups don't mind adding anything and you know, adding their own. Yeah, that's right. That's right, because bisexuals right now are just now forming their own community. And it's on a social basis. They're very few of them are very political. So it really pisses me off that, that we can as gay people, we can say, okay, by gay, lesbian and bi, but not include the transgender people.

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Sarah DePalma 03:07

Well, I'm really torn about this. There's a part of me that says they ought to just let us in this is 20 years overdue. And I'm not asking for them changed the name, but they could at least do with the end. gITF just did, and Addison to the mission statement. But it's become real clear to me that if we don't show up with a presence there, we will never be heard. At the same time, I'm very reluctant to say to people in our community, go ahead and spend your money and become a member. I don't know for one minute that they won't use that money against us when it comes time to lobby.

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Well. You know, a nice was talking about Dale carpenters involvement in the Republican Party. And she was saying, you know, 20 years ago, we were the same way. When we went to the Republic to the Democratic Party, they were not. They did not welcome us with open arms. Well, that's true. We had to establish ourselves and be there and work.

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Jimmy Carper 04:11

Before we were accepted,

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Saran DePalma 04:12

I guess I guess what I'm saying and



Jimmy Carper 04:14

then on a smaller, smaller basis, I've noticed that in the HDL PC, I remember Michael Crawford, talking about the Black Caucus being in name only. However, the last time I was at an HDL PC meeting, the Black Caucus was very much in evidence and had gained quite a bit of power. Well, maybe that's the answer, and it takes doing the



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work. You have to get out there. If you're transgendered, you have to get out there. You have to be in the community and you have to be doing things in support of civil rights. And the transgender community has come out as helping in a nice Parker campaign, absolutely. the transgender community has come out. When I joined Q patrol, a little less than two years ago, there was only one other member who was transgendered. And she said, come on out and walk with me. And we'll have some fun. Right now we have about 45 to 50 members of to patrol who are regularly called every week. And one quarter 25% are transgendered.



Jimmy Carper 05:42

That's damn good. You know it? Yes, that's



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a big change. There is a very big change. Here's the way to do it. Go out and do it, do it. You're not going to be included, if you don't play in the game.



Sarah DePalma 05:57

Yeah, but here's the problem I've got with the with the HGO PC. I am very reluctant to say to the trend, anybody in our community, spend your money and become a member when they are actually a sister organization to the Lesbian Gay rights lobby, a group which has treated us like crap. I have a hard time saying to people support the HGO PC. And in in, give them your time and energy when we don't know. They wouldn't turn around in support of hate crimes bill that doesn't include us. I guess. I guess maybe what we need. And I'm sort of thinking out loud here. Maybe it's time that before we start we're having trained and started to ask them transgenders. Maybe we need some sort of dialogue with the leadership first,



Jimmy Carper 06:50

we need to know each other. Yeah, that's what we need. That's why transgender people need to join HDL PC and the Chamber of Commerce and, and the gay and lesbian switchboard and

every other group. Yes. Well, let

 Sarah DePalma 07:05

me tell you about something that occurred in Washington three years ago,

 Jimmy Carper 07:08

when you first came on this show. You talk about some of my questions to you. Yeah. How insensitive in many ways they

 Sarah DePalma 07:20

were. They were they were, they were interesting, actually.

 Jimmy Carper 07:23

It's because I had never known a transsexual person or a transgender person. I knew I had seen Philip that Phyllis talk once. And that was it. So

 Sarah DePalma 07:37

what happens to me if we go in here and we you off, we give her money, and we give our time. And then they turn around and take a chunk of it and give it to the old year all works against our best interest.

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I cannot guarantee anything, but all I can say is in the last three years, I've made a lot of transgendered friends. Yeah. And my life is better for it.

 Sarah DePalma 08:00

Yeah, they I really have a hard time with it. Now. In Washington, there was just recently was was actually part of what something that had to do with National Gay Lesbian Taskforce, there was a roundtable meeting, it was actually called the Policy Institute of National Gay Lesbian Task Force. And what it was, was a gathering of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered leadership around the country. Many of them getting to know one another and meet one another for the very first time. Perfect. I mean, it's long, long overdue. And there were a lot of transgendered groups who ended up involved with this American boys. Gary Bowen group was there after whim International was there. It's time in America, the law conference. Now the point that I wanted to make about this, there's a wonderful quote here, by the way from Phyllis Frey. Phyllis says, I was feeling very mellow, because I've been fighting since the late 80s For

what some people call transgender inclusion. But what I call transgender reincorporation inclusion means we're trying to get in reincorporation means we shouldn't have been thrown out in the first place. Right? Well, what it meant was that Phyllis got to sit next to the director of Log Cabin Republicans, for example, and they got to have a dialogue. And it looks like they're going to have this and they're going to do this twice a year. I'd like to propose that maybe we do the same thing here in Houston. That maybe we are maybe that way, what we should do is have a roundtable discussion with some of the gay lesbian, bisexual and transgendered groups in Houston. Yes, let's do it off the record. No, no press. Let's agree to meet somewhere and get to know each other.

J Jimmy Carper 09:43

One way of doing it the other way is to join these organizations.

S Sarah DePalma 09:47

I I'm just I'm just very reluctant to say to people, yes, you should work for the HGO PC when they have shown no interest when we've been voted down there three times when they continue to support an organization now I mean, not be obvious by now that I wouldn't support the El Grl theory only lesbian gay rights.

J Jimmy Carper 10:06

Organization. That's my

S Sarah DePalma 10:07

point. Before I would want trans say to transgenders, yes, go ahead and and start supporting them, I would want some dialogue with him that we're going to be able to deal with each other, at least on a friendly basis, because we haven't gotten that far yet. So when I'm proposing is, let's have a round, let's do the same thing that they did in Washington. Let's have a roundtable discussion here in Houston, and get to know one another. That's how we go around the Dale carpenters, you know, or win them over or win them over perhaps let's let's have a meeting with the Suzanna Anderson's and the clearance bag, bees and the other people. And I think it would be oh, well, you don't have to meet with Suzanne. Well, no. But I think this was a great concept of Gus. Yes, it might be one answer to the dilemma that we have with it. I'd like to support the each GOP say, I think that if a niece is elected or or if it isn't, her at some point, a gay and lesbian person is going to be elected at some point where there's going to be a call for an ordinance in the city for for employment protection. I want us to be part of that. And I want to be able to feel good about supporting gay and lesbian being part of that too. Yes. Hate crime legislation is going to come up again, in this session in this session. We are not included, have already started drafting the bill, which would be transgender inclusive. I really don't want to go back to Austin, I don't want to do what I had to do before and go back and say, look, there bill doesn't include us. And here's here's better word. And I'd rather go and work with them. I don't

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Jimmy Carper 11:39

understand a hate crime bill. That doesn't include everybody. It

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Sarah DePalma 11:43

doesn't include us for the same reason that Nancy Bure Meyer just said a few minutes ago, and that is the gay lesbian, the L your rail has is concluded that having us as a liability period, that simple. We're a liability. And then we're included it won't be passed. I say that it's been voted on now five times and it's been voted down every time. Maybe there's a problem with the bill. I don't know. I've got a better bill. Now the point that I wanted to make about all this is it was tying this back into coming out. Part of coming out is getting to know one another across those lines. It's part of the being gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender. In my view, these are mostly artificial distinctions anyway. And wouldn't we be better off if we started are coming out to each other as organizations and as leaders to we could do it. There's no reason that we have to work against one another. And there's no reason why we couldn't find a common basis to work and a lot of things you've

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Jimmy Carper 12:45

run me over, you know, I don't understand working against each other. Well,

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Sarah DePalma 12:49

I don't either and I'm tired of it, actually. And so I'm next time I see Clarence bagni. I'm going to propose this. And I'm going to start to see if I'm going to take a run with this idea a little bit. And let's see what happens. Now. It's Time Texas in the HG OPC. You're going to work together on bringing this hate crime form to Houston. first time that's ever been tried. And let's let's see if maybe this isn't gonna doesn't turn out to be process of getting to know one another. I think it's really overdue. I do too. Anyway, I just thought I wanted to make that proposal and if anybody's out there listening from the HG OPC you've got my phone number and if you don't call me I'll call you. And you know she trust me. I will not go to a little different area get the men's the Promise Keepers. Yes, the Promise Keepers.

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Jimmy Carper 13:36

I do want to remind people that they're listening to after hours on KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station, Jimmy Carper and Sarah dipalma. And Michelle Meyer and Michelle Meyers are here. And it's also a marathon. Which

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Sarah DePalma 13:51

by the way, I don't hear our phones ringing. No, I shared out our numbers 526-573-8526 KPFT. And giving collecting little notes over there. What do you got? Well, I do have music requests. Oh, okay. Okay, well, we'll get those. We're trying it this year here.

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Jimmy Carper 14:12

Promise Keepers. We discussed this last week, somewhat. And it was the people who were here who gave their impressions of the Promise Keepers. Good and bad.

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Sarah DePalma 14:27

Well, I've had a discussion with Diane Zicatela from Colorado, and she's been dealing with the Promise Keepers now for a long time. So she knows something about what she does because she's in Colorado. Bill McCartney is the former head coach at the University of Colorado football team. Right. And so she's had been having to deal with these folks for a long time. In she put me on to a page about Promise Keepers and it was some of the things that they talked about what gays and lesbians I thought were kind of interesting. Turns out the slot of the promise keeper have gay and lesbian brothers and sisters. Really? Yeah. Now a lot of them have gay. Well, I mean, we are everywhere. A lot of them have gay and lesbian people, but I have relatives and what they're saying in essence, the I'm not gonna read this whole thing but what they're saying in essence is we love them as people will cure them if we can. Your story of we're going to love the sinner but hate the sin, that old Exodus grab your access to any and they actually quoted. Now, the reason I brought this up is because there's an interesting quote here from McCartney, who actually runs this group. Now,

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Jimmy Carper 15:37

I want to explain to people out there, homosexuality is not a disease. It doesn't it's not something that's cured. It's it's a natural way of life. Now, through guilt, you can repress it. And that's what these people are talking about repression. They are not talking about cures. Let

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Sarah DePalma 16:02

me read you just part of his story or this kind of interesting. This by the way, I took this off. This is from the Washington blade. Okay, that's where I got this. Since becoming a Christian during his second year of medical school, Jerome, has attended five promise keeper rallies and attempted to steer two men away from the homosexual lifestyle.

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Jimmy Carper 16:21

It's not a lifestyle, honey, it's a life. I was just gonna ask what the hell is that? A lifestyle is when you paint your bedroom blue.

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Sarah DePalma 16:29

He says the first one. The first one, God just gave me a heart to love this person and help him choose not to live the lifestyle says this guy. His name is Herrick, a physician and director of neonatal services at a hospital in New Jersey. He did not want to be gay explained Herrick, it

took about 20 of us to free him from the lifestyle. Now then,

J Jimmy Carper 16:54

it's any of us to repress him from the what

S Sarah DePalma 16:57

did you meet? You say Jimmy just got through saying you can't cure it, you can be repressed. Now this guy says, Well, he did not want to be gay. Can we say can we say guilt, guilt, self shame, internalized homophobia, internalized

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homophobia. Okay. And a lot of people have that because you grow up with everyone around you saying, Oh, you're bad, you're evil, you're going to hell, right?

S Sarah DePalma 17:25

Well, yes. For 20 plus years, he tried to rationalize his lifestyle and recently came to understand that God is a true father who loves him. And I said, Yes, he

J Jimmy Carper 17:37

is. And he liked he loves me the way I am. He

S Sarah DePalma 17:40

has gone to individual and group counseling is making strides in changing. Well, first of all, there's a lot of discussion in religious circles about this whole image of God Father anyway. Okay, why not drop the mother? Why not God, the mother and X, you know, so I had some problem with the wording of that. And then he goes on to say he goes on to talk about another person

J Jimmy Carper 18:01

gay and lesbians. What, what must they think of transgendered people? Well,

S Sarah DePalma 18:05

that's well, actually, I was gonna get to that here in a little bit. But he was talking about this other person who was a qave me on and they haven't been able to cure him yet. They haven't

been able to get him to give his heart to God. Okay. Oh,

J Jimmy Carper 18:18

well, he may have done that he probably has, hasn't repressed himself like they want him to.

S Sarah DePalma 18:25

He says, We are a Baptist, Pentecostal myth, Methodist Lutheran Roman Catholics. We are anyone who believes that Jesus Christ is the son of a living God, fine so far. This is from McCartney. This is a guy whose director says justice means seeing the needs in others and responding to it. But then he goes on to talk about Exodus International, is a network for ex gays.

J Jimmy Carper 18:50

Yes, I know. Ex gays, yes. Gay. That's these are people who have repressed themselves. And there was a big scandal several years ago, because two of the most high ranking officials decided they were in love with each other. And got a national Exodus convention came out and said, You know what you're doing here is bull. Right? It was a huge scandal. We loved it. And I know, Gary, the Gay Christian who listened to us every week, he must have really certain views on this.

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Their you know, their religion and spirituality is very important to a lot of people in the queer community. And to say that, because you are gay, you are godless is ridiculous.

S Sarah DePalma 19:51

As my grandmother used to say, God, don't make no joke. There you go. This is a quote from this. His name is Anthony fells Toronto. And he is The executive director of transformation Christian ministries who says, We came because we believe our gay brothers and sisters are in darkness. We are pamphlets tell people that if they're uncomfortable being gay, they don't have to remain that way. We believe that Promise Keepers is a wonderful organization and has been open to accepting ex gays. Now we're getting down to the truth of this male. So gays and lesbians are not welcome and peacekeepers no matter what they say, okay, however, ex gays, assuming they actually exist, would be welcomed. And well,

J Jimmy Carper 20:38

you know, you know, what, if you turn that around and say, Okay, well, I'm gay, and I'll be be friends with straight people as long as they don't have sex. Now, how ridiculous does that sound?

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Sarah DePalma 20:54

Well, there's an interesting thing. This is again from McCartney. He says, the position that Paramus keeper has on homosexuality is what we find in Romans, it's a sin. But we're all equal in God's eyes. I don't dislike Patrick's brothers who are gay, I pray for them because they're on the trail that leads to death. Okay, now. Oh, okay. All right. All right, we're on the trail that leads to I see, I suppose that would mean the transgenders are probably leading this. Yeah, there, you know. And it turns out that one of the leading supporters, this group is James Dobson from the Family Research Council. This is a guy who is out there, putting out legislation all over the country that would ban gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered marriages. Now, if you're in the closet today, and you feel that you're secure, you don't understand what's going on. Right? Okay. This is what coming out is about, we have got to show these kinds of, I would call them the screw balls, except that how many of these people turned up in Washington? Lots, a lot, a lot, we have got to show these people that we are at least equal to their task. And that we will not go quietly into the good night, we are not going to sit back and think, well, they'll go away. If you're sitting in your closet tonight, and you're thinking, Well, I'm safe. Those people are Washington, they have nothing to do with me. Think again. Do you really think that these people who can turn out such numbers and are developing the kind of political clout that they have with the Christian right? Do you really think they can be ignored? Do you really think your job is safe? These people everywhere at maintain get any kind of real political power at all? You're nuts? You just not. Now, does that mean? You have to go on television tomorrow, say, Hey, I'm gay. I'm gonna take on Promise Keepers? No, it doesn't. But it does mean you ought to write a check to the HRC or the nglt. Or to the Transgender Law conference, and you better start paying attention to what your transgender and national leaders are trying to tell you right. Now, if you can't do that on statewide basis, you can't do it on a local basis than show up in a nice Parker's headquarters where

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you go, okay, because that's where it all comes from folks, the grant the grassroots, it's, you know, like, like, Ray Hill always says, you know, it's, it's, maybe, in my lifetime, I may shake hands with the President. But, you know, a justice of the peace is going to affect my life a whole lot more.

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Sarah DePalma 23:38

It's really been kind of surprising and disappointing to me. Um, transgenders have made up the vast majority of a nice Parker's campaign. And she's been very, very open about that fact. It's a mystery to me where the gay and lesbian community has been for this race. Yes, they have donated a lot of money, but very much like the HRC. A lot of that money has come from a few good sized donors. Yes, we've had a lot of \$5 contributions, \$10 contributions. But that's actually not what politics is about. Politics is about block walking. It's about stuffing envelopes. It's about doing telephone calls and telephone banking. And the gay lesbian community hasn't been there for any of it. I don't understand the effort. The way you know, we've talked about they didn't support Harvey Milk's campaign? No. But you know, I've been in Houston long enough. I remember the referendum. I remember Stephen Jota and his straight slate. And

here's a chance to fully recover from all of that nastiness. Here's a chance for you to even come out just to other gay and lesbian people in the nice Parker campaign. Here's a chance for you to do an hour a week. My heavens in an hour or weak, and they're not coming out. What does it take? If a nice wins? She wouldn't have the largest constituency of any gay, lesbian or transgender person in the United States. Yeah. Why is Houston not like standing on its head and saying, Wow, this is really special, we're gonna get our buttons out there and help this woman?

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Jimmy Carper 25:21

I don't know. I don't know. I just know that. In Houston. People are not political people want to quietly live their lives. in suburbia.

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Sarah DePalma 25:36

There's a limit to how far you can go with that, that I know. I mean, that's, that's the real issue here. There's really a limit to how far you can go. At some point, it becomes important to have a voice at the table. transgenders are certainly learning that with the HRC we certainly have learned it in the state legislature we've learned in Congress, you would think gays and lesbians would surely they'll know that by now. Not voice at the table,

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in the Houston metropolitan area. There are between, you know, if it 10% of the people and in big cities, it's more because folks from small towns come to the big cities. So we can say that there are between three and 400,000 queers in Houston. Three and 400,000. Now of us now, I remember when we were doing act up, we were happy to get 20 people to do a demonstration. Yeah.

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Sarah DePalma 26:33

And we'd say we incrimination that was true. Yeah.

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Jimmy Carper 26:38

Gay and Lesbian Hispanics, you need us is out of business.

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Sarah DePalma 26:42

I didn't know that out of business. The Gay

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Jimmy Carper 26:45

and Lesbian switchboard is happy to have a dozen people who can come in and answer the phone. This is all add of three and 400,000 people. So it's endemic to Houston. It's just not the political scene. It's its social groups. It's also service groups.

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Sarah DePalma 27:08

Are people just do they just feel that secure in Houston. They just don't feel the heat. I don't know. I mean, I don't know what it is. Do they not watch television see the Promise Keepers and start thinking hey, you know, maybe this is something we ought to pay attention to. I mean, or

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Jimmy Carper 27:21

they look at it and say oh, that's not here.

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Sarah DePalma 27:27

Well, I talked about a book once before by a person that would hit a transgender person who lived in Nazi Germany. And she talks about on Charlotte von moles. Dorf was her name. That's right. I I am woman, I am more I am woman. And she talked about the rise of the Nazis, and how it could have been stopped earlier, except that no one took them seriously. And she said that no one in the gay lesbian community in Germany at the time, thought it was a threat. In fact, they looked at the fact that many leaders in the Nazis were homosexuals and said, Oh, this is going to be good for us. Well, sure. We all know how that turned out. Yeah, right. If it's true that all politics is local is is I've heard politician say the way to win power is from the bottom up. You start with the city council races. You have to win those before you can get gay and lesbian congress people and gay and lesbian senators, right. Here's your chance. Here we are. It's on Coming Out Day. Here's your chance to come out easily. an hour a week. Okay. The nice Parker campaign is easy to find. It's the quarter of California in Montrose in the Hubbard financial offices, for heaven's sakes, come on out and give an hour a week. Let's get a queer person on the council stuff

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Jimmy Carper 28:52

envelopes. If you don't want to do the phone call thing.

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Sarah DePalma 28:57

Just last 90 to do just last week, Rob had a city councilman here, stop the idea of having condoms being discussed in school and allowing them to be discussed and to be distributed. As he said he didn't think that city council or city should be in the business of that. Well, has he heard of AIDS? Exactly.

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Jimmy Carper 29:17

As he heard of teenage pregnancy,

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Sarah DePalma 29:20

if we had had a girl who has heard of STDs, if we had had a gay or lesbian person on the council, someone would have been there to stand up and say, Wait a minute. That's not right. That's the kind of important stuff that comes out. You know, and it's a funny thing about about our running for this race. You know, what she's being asked about the most what is interesting is about potholes in the streets.

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Jimmy Carper 29:41

That's what people are concerned about that. Well,

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Sarah DePalma 29:43

that's exactly right. And the point is, if she could show herself to be an able administrator, how would that help you in your workplace? You know, yeah, you'd have someone to point is, that's right. Anyway, it is coming here. Yeah. I know you had some music that we had promised to play. Oh, I'm gonna play but I wanted to talk about that because I just seems to me that it is coming out there now so I just want to do a little briefly something about different for girls the movie. Okay, let's do that. That is it's called different for girls and his purse. Right now it's playing it great at the landmark Greenway, which is what a fun movie. And that was just terrific. This is a movie about a transgendered person a transsexual, and I don't want to give the plot of the story away, but they, they had been schoolmates. And they meet many years later. And much to the surprise, one of the characters, this person that he had known and actually defended in school has become a transsexual, yes. And it's basically it's about the growing up process of one person in the development of the other as a whole person. That's exactly really what it's about.

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Jimmy Carper 30:54

And there's a romantic thing going on here that is so beautiful. It really

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Sarah DePalma 31:01

is. And I have an enhanced it's funny, funny moments to I don't want to give it away, but it has it's funny movement. It's called different for girls. It's at Landmark. There was a funny, we had a funny incident, Jimmy, we were there. I went, we

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Jimmy Carper 31:17

walked in and it's like, I knew every transsexual

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Sarah DePalma 31:21

there. I went where my transsexual minutes t shirt. And there was a gay a gay couple, I guess, five or six people back. And one of them said to the other seeing my, my transaction manager said, Oh, look at says one of those damn transgender people. And his lover said, Well, that's what this movie is about. Didn't you know? He says, oh, shit you can make which I thought was just hilarious.

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Jimmy Carper 31:57

I didn't see anybody walk out.

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Sarah DePalma 31:59

No, in fact, I heard a lot of real positive feedback. And just real quickly, uh, we went to go see Seven Years in Tibet. Oh, yes. The Brad Pitt movie. Yes. First of all, I didn't know Brad Pitt Kodak. So this came as this news to me. This is a it's a it's a long movie. It's about close to three hours. But it's about the Dalai Lama, the last Dalai Lama. It's also very much about the redemption of a man who was really an obnoxious, piggish sob and learns what humanity is about. Now, I know there's a lot of controversy because it turns out the leading character in this book as a parent was apparently a member of the Nazi party, to which I say, so what a lot of people were, this movie doesn't portray him as a nice guy. They portray him as a complete, utter jerk. Even his, even the people that he was good with. His fellow Germans couldn't stand them. They in no way for, for trade this as being a good guy. That's not what the movie is about. It's about the redemption of a person that can start out that way, and become a whole human being. And do it by learning at the feet of a child, who also happens to be the Dalai Lama, in this case. Wonderful, wonderful movie. I think Oscar caliber kind of stuff. There

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Jimmy Carper 33:19

was something else you pointed out about this guy is that he did this during the Nazi regime.

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Sarah DePalma 33:25

He was not in Germany at the start of the war. He wasn't in Germany anytime during the war, and he wasn't in Germany. At the end of the war. He was off climbing a mountain in Tibet, when the war broke out. Millions of people got forced into the Nazi Party. If this long before World War Two began didn't mean they were Nazis. It meant they didn't want to get sent to camps. True. So the fact that this guy belongs in the Nazi Party did not mean that he was off exterminating Jews. It meant that he was a member of a political party he may never even participated in. He wasn't there. He was in Germany, he was in Tibet is actually a prisoner of war, when the war broke, soon after the war broke out and escaped. He spent the entire time in Tibet and didn't come back to Austria by though he was Austrian, not German, didn't come back to Austria until long after the war was over. So this is not about Nazis or Nazi ism or anything related to the Nazis. To me, it's a whole it's a non issue. This is about can a person be

redeemed to humanity, no matter what kind of a person they are, it was a slog. I mean, he really was, so I really, I really recommend this movie. I'd be interested to see what American audiences think of it. There's no sex. There's no violence. There are no special effects in this movie. Well, there is Brad Pitt, but there is Brad Pitt. So it'll probably do well. But anyway, I really recommend it's called Seven Years in Tibet.

 Jimmy Carper 34:47

Okay. I wanted to briefly mention along with since Michelle was still here, that we did have a wonderful, cute patrol last night and I wanted to They kind of single out Priscilla, who was with us. Probably our youngest member.

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Yes. Priscilla is actually now, Regina. Oh, okay.

 Sarah DePalma 35:09

That's wonderful. I didn't know that. That's great. She's

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changing. Okay. And she. She's working as Regina.

 Jimmy Carper 35:16

Okay. Okay. She's a member of hatch. Yes,

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she is. She's a member of hatch and she's also a member of tax. Wow. And when I wasn't there today, she helped out and was a standing hostess at my apartment for me while I was offered this

 Jimmy Carper 35:35

panel discussion. Well, she really lifted up last night in those leather leggings, and black.

 Sarah DePalma 35:43

Ooh, now you're talking my language.



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Gray. In the background, you're hearing requested music from Thomas in the 1960 area. It's heartbeat by Jimmy Somerville off with his last album. And I did read where he was. He's putting together a new one. So I'm kind of glad to hear that because it's been a couple of years. I'd love



S Sarah DePalma 36:04

to have his voice. Yeah.



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You've been listening to after hours square radio with attitude on KPFT Houston and ke O 's College Station. Coming up at the top of the hour will be the return of the sons of musical chairs with Billy Gilbert and Elmo and Randy. We are still in our marathon. And it's not too late to give us a call at 7135265738526 KPFT. With your budget support. We will be here again next week with our second marathon show. And we'll be we'll be here with



J Jimmy Carper 36:46

Peter, Peter and Connie Lingus show, we kind of had to switch some things around. So Peter and Connie, Lingus are going to be here next year, next week. So you know that's gonna be fun. Lots of jokes, lots of gags, lots of running.



S Sarah DePalma 37:00

And of course, on just Coming Out Day we want most most important thing is be proud of yourself. Remember your closet, whatever your closet is, be proud of yourself. No one can replace you. That's the absolute bottom line. To me. That's the ultimate definition of pride. And we leave you with this with their usual slogan for this show. As soon as I can remember what it was I just threw up late. Repression repression. Thank you when decorum becomes repression, the only dignity free people have is to speak out. Shop