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00:00:05,929 --> 00:00:13,699
welcome to the skeptic zone the podcast

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00:00:09,119 --> 00:00:13,699
from Australia for science and reason

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00:00:23,600 --> 00:00:32,549
yes it's the skeptic zone episode number

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00:00:27,439 --> 00:00:34,230
179 for the 24th of March 2012 Richard

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00:00:32,549 --> 00:00:36,359
Saunders here with you from Sydney

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00:00:34,229 --> 00:00:40,648
Australia not much time to talk we have

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00:00:36,359 --> 00:00:45,238
such a packed episode today starting off

8
00:00:40,649 --> 00:00:48,539
with sex let me just say that again sex

9
00:00:45,238 --> 00:00:50,968
I think you get the message yes we

10
00:00:48,539 --> 00:00:53,189
really mean it sex xx me nods going to

11
00:00:50,969 --> 00:00:57,030
be interviewing doctor Bella Elwood

12
00:00:53,189 --> 00:01:01,079
Clayton who is a sexual anthropologist

13
00:00:57,030 --> 00:01:03,210
good heavens have a very strong cup of

14
00:01:01,079 --> 00:01:06,989
coffee and listen to maynards interview

15
00:01:03,210 --> 00:01:09,659
with dr. Elwood Clayton one of maynards

16
00:01:06,989 --> 00:01:12,839
best interviews coming up at the top of

17
00:01:09,659 --> 00:01:14,280
the show and then coming up after the

18
00:01:12,840 --> 00:01:17,759
break it's a penny for your thoughts

19
00:01:14,280 --> 00:01:21,780
with penny chan in LA penny interviews

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00:01:17,759 --> 00:01:23,819
Jared Kaufman who is also known as Timmy

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00:01:21,780 --> 00:01:27,570
from the popular online show mr. deity

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00:01:23,819 --> 00:01:31,008
nor mr. deity he's also involved for the

23
00:01:27,569 --> 00:01:33,868
independent investigations group aig in

24
00:01:31,009 --> 00:01:36,900
LA which is a volunteer-based

25
00:01:33,868 --> 00:01:38,938
organization founded by Jim under down

26
00:01:36,900 --> 00:01:41,549
she wondered out haven't seen him for a

27
00:01:38,938 --> 00:01:45,298
while hope to catch up with him in Tam

28
00:01:41,549 --> 00:01:47,880
ya tam in Las Vegas anyway tuning in the

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00:01:45,299 --> 00:01:51,360
middle of the show for pennies interview

30
00:01:47,879 --> 00:01:54,420
with Jared Kaufman and then to wrap up

31
00:01:51,359 --> 00:01:57,060
the show one of my cue ed interviews

32
00:01:54,420 --> 00:01:59,939
when I was in Manchester recently I

33
00:01:57,060 --> 00:02:02,070
catch up with in fact I meet for the

34
00:01:59,938 --> 00:02:04,618
first time kristin Carlson from the

35
00:02:02,069 --> 00:02:07,228
Norwegian skeptics spoken to her online

36
00:02:04,618 --> 00:02:09,659
interview to before and correspondent

37
00:02:07,228 --> 00:02:13,490
this was the first chance we actually

38
00:02:09,659 --> 00:02:16,400
had to meet and in fact in fact as I

39
00:02:13,490 --> 00:02:18,469
on this she's in Melbourne on a little

40
00:02:16,400 --> 00:02:21,020
bit of an Australian trip hope to be

41
00:02:18,469 --> 00:02:23,359
catching up with her for lunch next week

42
00:02:21,020 --> 00:02:25,730
here in Sydney what a treat anyway

43
00:02:23,360 --> 00:02:28,460

that's at the end of the show interview

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00:02:25,729 --> 00:02:31,099

with Kristin Carlson from Norway now a

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00:02:28,460 --> 00:02:33,500

couple of things coming up in the coming

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00:02:31,099 --> 00:02:36,590

week on the twenty-ninth of march in

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00:02:33,500 --> 00:02:38,360

albury in albury New South Wales which

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00:02:36,590 --> 00:02:42,200

is one of the major regional centers

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00:02:38,360 --> 00:02:44,860

I'll be visiting our roving our skeptic

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00:02:42,199 --> 00:02:47,899

zone correspondent dr. Chrissy Wilson

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00:02:44,860 --> 00:02:51,500

now i'm attending the launch of soap

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00:02:47,900 --> 00:02:55,280

soap soap soap soap or the science of

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00:02:51,500 --> 00:02:57,139

anomalous phenomena sounds really good

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00:02:55,280 --> 00:03:00,169

really interesting if you want to come

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00:02:57,139 --> 00:03:04,759

along to see the launch of soap which is

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00:03:00,169 --> 00:03:08,179

a free event then visit www.skepticzone.com

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00:03:04,759 --> 00:03:12,560

TV and click on the link from the show

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00:03:08,180 --> 00:03:14,990
notes for today's episode can't wait to

59
00:03:12,560 --> 00:03:18,650
go and visit Chrissy and helped her

60
00:03:14,990 --> 00:03:20,960
launch soap which means sadly I won't be

61
00:03:18,650 --> 00:03:22,969
back quite in time to go to the

62
00:03:20,960 --> 00:03:25,040
Australian skeptics dinner here in

63
00:03:22,969 --> 00:03:27,560
Sydney where the special guest is

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00:03:25,039 --> 00:03:30,590
professor john dwyer he's going to be

65
00:03:27,560 --> 00:03:32,990
speaking about friends of science in

66
00:03:30,590 --> 00:03:34,849
medicine now you want to book your

67
00:03:32,990 --> 00:03:36,320
ticket for this dinner and talk by

68
00:03:34,849 --> 00:03:42,079
professor john dwyer it's on the

69
00:03:36,319 --> 00:03:44,930
thirty-first of march at 630pm at the

70
00:03:42,080 --> 00:03:48,740
ride eastwood Leagues Club best thing to

71
00:03:44,930 --> 00:03:52,460
do is to go to ww skeptics calm day you

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00:03:48,740 --> 00:03:54,770
click the link buy your ticket go along

73
00:03:52,460 --> 00:03:57,590
and hear what Professor Dwyer has to say

74
00:03:54,770 --> 00:04:00,560
about the fight the fight against the

75
00:03:57,590 --> 00:04:04,580
sheer lunacy of the extreme forms of

76
00:04:00,560 --> 00:04:08,210
quackery like homeopathy someone should

77
00:04:04,580 --> 00:04:09,620
put that into a song hmm right well it's

78
00:04:08,210 --> 00:04:11,480
about all I have to say for right now

79
00:04:09,620 --> 00:04:13,610
I'm going to run downstairs you know I'm

80
00:04:11,479 --> 00:04:14,840
not going to go to the fridge and look

81
00:04:13,610 --> 00:04:16,310
for something to drink i'm going to run

82
00:04:14,840 --> 00:04:18,470
downstairs and practice a few magic

83
00:04:16,310 --> 00:04:19,730
tricks because oh yes oh yes uncle

84
00:04:18,470 --> 00:04:22,310
Richard's been roped in to be the

85
00:04:19,730 --> 00:04:24,650
magician and his nephews Harry Potter

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00:04:22,310 --> 00:04:27,680
themed birthday party

87
00:04:24,649 --> 00:04:30,500
this afternoon better practice and magic

88
00:04:27,680 --> 00:04:34,550
yes I'll do that I'll do that I'll

89
00:04:30,500 --> 00:04:37,120
disappear do that while you enjoy the

90
00:04:34,550 --> 00:04:37,120
skeptics out

91
00:04:50,329 --> 00:04:57,560
here's my not spooky action at a

92
00:04:54,990 --> 00:04:57,560
distance

93
00:04:58,560 --> 00:05:04,180
why is everybody having better sex than

94
00:05:01,839 --> 00:05:05,709
me you and apparently everyone's having

95
00:05:04,180 --> 00:05:07,209
it more often as well now someone who

96
00:05:05,709 --> 00:05:09,459
might be able to answer this question as

97
00:05:07,209 --> 00:05:11,709
well as a few other things that I would

98
00:05:09,459 --> 00:05:14,349
like to know is dr. Bella Elwood Clayton

99
00:05:11,709 --> 00:05:17,229
author of sex drive in pursuit of female

100
00:05:14,350 --> 00:05:20,500

desire and the dr. Behler it wouldn't

101

00:05:17,230 --> 00:05:22,780

load is your sexual anthropologist yes

102

00:05:20,500 --> 00:05:24,129

that's right now normally like I would

103

00:05:22,779 --> 00:05:27,339

describe myself as that but that's just

104

00:05:24,129 --> 00:05:28,810

cuz I've been around puts up I mean what

105

00:05:27,339 --> 00:05:31,000

we get to do you get to go to like the

106

00:05:28,810 --> 00:05:32,230

Andes or anything or you know overseas

107

00:05:31,000 --> 00:05:34,720

what you got to do with the sexual

108

00:05:32,230 --> 00:05:36,670

anthropologist right yes the sexual

109

00:05:34,720 --> 00:05:39,250

anthropologist look at how sex and

110

00:05:36,670 --> 00:05:41,410

sexuality are shaped by culture so we

111

00:05:39,250 --> 00:05:44,709

might study things such as sex tourism

112

00:05:41,410 --> 00:05:48,250

or first sex or how contraception is

113

00:05:44,709 --> 00:05:50,169

used in africa vs downtown melbourne and

114

00:05:48,250 --> 00:05:52,240

where did you get your doctor didn't

115
00:05:50,170 --> 00:05:55,120
what did you study yes I'm I didn't

116
00:05:52,240 --> 00:05:56,889
might be a in anthropology in in that

117
00:05:55,120 --> 00:05:59,079
concordia university in montreal in

118
00:05:56,889 --> 00:06:00,430
canada and then came to australia which

119
00:05:59,079 --> 00:06:03,430
is where i was actually born and my

120
00:06:00,430 --> 00:06:06,129
father's from to do my PhD at Melbourne

121
00:06:03,430 --> 00:06:08,949
Uni and what do you do on on a daily

122
00:06:06,129 --> 00:06:12,069
basis do you currently undertaking a

123
00:06:08,949 --> 00:06:13,539
study do people yeah turn up and book

124
00:06:12,069 --> 00:06:15,939
stuff on you with Medicare how do you

125
00:06:13,540 --> 00:06:18,400
what do you do well these days um you

126
00:06:15,939 --> 00:06:20,529
know I after I left University i would

127
00:06:18,399 --> 00:06:23,259
say i published a fair few papers after

128
00:06:20,529 --> 00:06:24,579
i'm completing my PhD and i thought you

129
00:06:23,259 --> 00:06:26,589
know this is a bit frustrating the

130
00:06:24,579 --> 00:06:29,169
research that were coming up with isn't

131
00:06:26,589 --> 00:06:30,519
being heard by main the mainstream

132
00:06:29,170 --> 00:06:32,620
people aren't getting this it's just

133
00:06:30,519 --> 00:06:35,319
sort of been circulated in academic

134
00:06:32,620 --> 00:06:37,540
journals so i decided i'd like to write

135
00:06:35,319 --> 00:06:40,029
for popular culture and write about

136
00:06:37,540 --> 00:06:42,730
sexuality and cross culturally and love

137
00:06:40,029 --> 00:06:44,649
and relationships so i've done done just

138
00:06:42,730 --> 00:06:47,200
that and have been writing columns and

139
00:06:44,649 --> 00:06:49,929
articles in australian newspapers and

140
00:06:47,199 --> 00:06:52,089
magazines and priyanka p and giving

141
00:06:49,930 --> 00:06:54,670
people advice as well and when i first

142
00:06:52,089 --> 00:06:56,049
saw your book sex drive and turn the

143

00:06:54,670 --> 00:06:58,600
back over that says when it comes to

144
00:06:56,050 --> 00:07:00,310
women's priority is sex on top and you

145
00:06:58,600 --> 00:07:03,220
know their sex drive seems to be waning

146
00:07:00,310 --> 00:07:04,750
and I thought well well yeah I mean I

147
00:07:03,220 --> 00:07:06,460
mean not just talking about with

148
00:07:04,750 --> 00:07:09,519
everybody sex drive is under pressure

149
00:07:06,459 --> 00:07:11,680
would stress work with various ages so

150
00:07:09,519 --> 00:07:13,689
it doesn't surprise me at all

151
00:07:11,680 --> 00:07:16,389
this is the case so so what is

152
00:07:13,689 --> 00:07:18,939
particularly in women's case here well

153
00:07:16,389 --> 00:07:22,870
generally I believe women don't want sex

154
00:07:18,939 --> 00:07:24,339
because they don't feel sexy and we see

155
00:07:22,870 --> 00:07:26,288
that sex declines in a number of studies

156
00:07:24,339 --> 00:07:28,269
for for numerous reasons for both men

157
00:07:26,288 --> 00:07:31,659

and women it can be decline over the

158

00:07:28,269 --> 00:07:33,279

duration of a relationship as we age due

159

00:07:31,660 --> 00:07:35,590

to life pressures and certainly because

160

00:07:33,279 --> 00:07:37,269

of having children so women particularly

161

00:07:35,589 --> 00:07:39,339

there's a number of reasons I think

162

00:07:37,269 --> 00:07:42,399

contribute to our perhaps our lower

163

00:07:39,339 --> 00:07:46,659

levels of libido and these include body

164

00:07:42,399 --> 00:07:49,538

image parenting role overload depression

165

00:07:46,660 --> 00:07:52,060

and arguably aging as well how can you

166

00:07:49,538 --> 00:07:54,550

isolate any one of these I mean to me

167

00:07:52,060 --> 00:07:56,500

they sound like it what a statistician

168

00:07:54,550 --> 00:07:58,360

would call a synergism like any one of

169

00:07:56,500 --> 00:07:59,978

them on their own they're all added up

170

00:07:58,360 --> 00:08:01,030

they add up to more than all of them

171

00:07:59,978 --> 00:08:03,008

would be on their own put together

172
00:08:01,029 --> 00:08:05,909
exactly right and they add up to women

173
00:08:03,009 --> 00:08:08,740
feeling tired and not sexy and like the

174
00:08:05,910 --> 00:08:10,479
spaces that they do have empty spaces in

175
00:08:08,740 --> 00:08:13,090
their life you know it's sex not what

176
00:08:10,478 --> 00:08:15,038
they want to be filled with that so I'm

177
00:08:13,089 --> 00:08:17,649
actually just calling to question you

178
00:08:15,038 --> 00:08:19,509
know what what role the sensuality have

179
00:08:17,649 --> 00:08:21,310
in our life that's up to individuals

180
00:08:19,509 --> 00:08:23,348
have been a couple to negotiate i

181
00:08:21,310 --> 00:08:26,860
believe and i think we can stop

182
00:08:23,348 --> 00:08:28,930
necessarily respond creating what what

183
00:08:26,860 --> 00:08:30,970
role sex in such men sex and sensuality

184
00:08:28,930 --> 00:08:32,979
is in their life based on what the media

185
00:08:30,970 --> 00:08:35,110
and society are telling us is that right

186
00:08:32,979 --> 00:08:36,580
amount or even science is telling us and

187
00:08:35,110 --> 00:08:39,038
try to come up with something that suits

188
00:08:36,580 --> 00:08:40,570
your partner and yourself and so do you

189
00:08:39,038 --> 00:08:42,759
think a lot of people think that

190
00:08:40,570 --> 00:08:45,490
everyone else is having better sex more

191
00:08:42,759 --> 00:08:46,899
often more merely because I they might

192
00:08:45,490 --> 00:08:49,060
not talk about it server on thinks

193
00:08:46,899 --> 00:08:50,860
that's got to be the case or because the

194
00:08:49,059 --> 00:08:53,708
media and particularly magazines that

195
00:08:50,860 --> 00:08:55,778
want Cosmo and even dolly to a system

196
00:08:53,708 --> 00:08:57,669
where do they play their role in it well

197
00:08:55,778 --> 00:09:00,009
certainly I you know we are growing up

198
00:08:57,669 --> 00:09:02,349
watching films where everything seems to

199
00:09:00,009 --> 00:09:05,740
be pointed to how to find love how to

200

00:09:02,350 --> 00:09:08,379
attract love and desire and and you know

201
00:09:05,740 --> 00:09:10,539
I'm wrangling the one but what happens

202
00:09:08,379 --> 00:09:12,070
after we found the person we want to

203
00:09:10,539 --> 00:09:14,439
share our life with if we can even

204
00:09:12,070 --> 00:09:17,020
achieve that so great but then how do we

205
00:09:14,440 --> 00:09:19,600
maintain love how do we maintain passion

206
00:09:17,019 --> 00:09:23,019
our expectations of passionate long-term

207
00:09:19,600 --> 00:09:24,790
monogamy are so extraordinary and that

208
00:09:23,019 --> 00:09:25,299
leaves many of us feeling like our

209
00:09:24,789 --> 00:09:27,069
relation

210
00:09:25,299 --> 00:09:29,049
chips don't match they don't live up to

211
00:09:27,070 --> 00:09:31,240
it and that's not you know a good

212
00:09:29,049 --> 00:09:33,069
feeling for anybody to have weird look

213
00:09:31,240 --> 00:09:35,320
in your book you you write a bit about

214
00:09:33,070 --> 00:09:37,180

the the work of Rose me bass song now

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00:09:35,320 --> 00:09:39,730

and she talks about that the sexual

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00:09:37,179 --> 00:09:41,819

response modes and females there and

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00:09:39,730 --> 00:09:44,528

which is kind of technical and basically

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00:09:41,820 --> 00:09:45,940

quoting from your book here it says two

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00:09:44,528 --> 00:09:49,120

women who are not happy with their lack

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00:09:45,940 --> 00:09:51,670

of desire she says basically go and find

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00:09:49,120 --> 00:09:53,769

a sexual stimulus and that choose and

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00:09:51,669 --> 00:09:56,169

you decide to be receptive to it that

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00:09:53,769 --> 00:09:58,000

seems like pretty basic advice like if

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00:09:56,169 --> 00:09:59,500

you see something you like go do it but

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00:09:58,000 --> 00:10:01,360

you think that that's you know that is

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00:09:59,500 --> 00:10:04,470

either oversimplifying it or she could

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00:10:01,360 --> 00:10:06,820

be wrong right well she is an

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00:10:04,470 --> 00:10:08,259

international expert in her area however

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00:10:06,820 --> 00:10:10,060

there's other experts that have

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00:10:08,259 --> 00:10:11,889

different ideas about what the female

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00:10:10,059 --> 00:10:14,049

sexual response model is and how it

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00:10:11,889 --> 00:10:16,299

works and basically what I'm talking

233

00:10:14,049 --> 00:10:18,429

about here is a bit technical but we

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00:10:16,299 --> 00:10:20,979

used to believe from master and Johnson

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00:10:18,429 --> 00:10:24,069

that there's four stages of sexual

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00:10:20,980 --> 00:10:25,930

excitement and human beings look who

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00:10:24,070 --> 00:10:28,800

could not like the plateau stage but

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00:10:25,929 --> 00:10:31,528

Randy and it's a great name for it to

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00:10:28,799 --> 00:10:34,449

excitement plateau orgasm and resolution

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00:10:31,528 --> 00:10:35,828

but we you know researchers realize our

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00:10:34,450 --> 00:10:38,170

sexual function is a lot more

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00:10:35,828 --> 00:10:40,120

complicated where to desire fit in in

243
00:10:38,169 --> 00:10:42,219
the psychological ah gical and cultural

244
00:10:40,120 --> 00:10:44,440
aspects so we've been trying to work

245
00:10:42,220 --> 00:10:46,860
that out in subsequent models Bassam

246
00:10:44,440 --> 00:10:50,560
believes that women don't experience

247
00:10:46,860 --> 00:10:52,600
spontaneous desire once on there in an

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00:10:50,559 --> 00:10:54,578
established relationship for that by and

249
00:10:52,600 --> 00:10:56,500
large once you've settled down women

250
00:10:54,578 --> 00:10:59,109
aren't to be initiating sex now is this

251
00:10:56,500 --> 00:11:00,669
because of some serotonin type chemical

252
00:10:59,110 --> 00:11:02,259
in the brain that gets burned out after

253
00:11:00,669 --> 00:11:04,360
a period of time I don't think that's

254
00:11:02,259 --> 00:11:05,649
why she thinks that by I definitely do

255
00:11:04,360 --> 00:11:07,720
think there's a strong biochemical

256
00:11:05,649 --> 00:11:10,208
aspect all of this but I think what

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00:11:07,720 --> 00:11:12,959
she's arguing is that because women

258
00:11:10,208 --> 00:11:15,250
don't may not necessarily feel

259
00:11:12,958 --> 00:11:18,639
spontaneous desire for sex to start off

260
00:11:15,250 --> 00:11:21,190
if they go into sex with their partner

261
00:11:18,639 --> 00:11:24,220
desire very well may kick in in that

262
00:11:21,190 --> 00:11:26,320
process however that's one kind of angle

263
00:11:24,220 --> 00:11:28,778
at looking at as many other researchers

264
00:11:26,320 --> 00:11:31,778
believe that that's not the case there

265
00:11:28,778 --> 00:11:34,000
was a study done to see which sex model

266
00:11:31,778 --> 00:11:36,370
suits women best and about a third were

267
00:11:34,000 --> 00:11:39,139
in agreeance with rosemary baths on a

268
00:11:36,370 --> 00:11:40,818
third of women fit the Masters

269
00:11:39,139 --> 00:11:43,220
Johnson model and a surfeit another

270
00:11:40,818 --> 00:11:45,378
model so there still isn't agreement

271
00:11:43,220 --> 00:11:47,269

about how female sexuality works in so

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00:11:45,379 --> 00:11:49,579

many different ways we don't can't agree

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00:11:47,269 --> 00:11:51,828

on what female sexual dysfunction is we

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00:11:49,578 --> 00:11:53,899

can't agree on sexual function for women

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00:11:51,828 --> 00:11:55,789

nor if women have a definitive sexual

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00:11:53,899 --> 00:11:58,249

peak so that's a lot of actually

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00:11:55,789 --> 00:12:00,649

mysterious yeah one of the things that

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00:11:58,249 --> 00:12:02,869

I've noticed in women's magazines as

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00:12:00,649 --> 00:12:06,198

I've got older is that they keep seeming

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00:12:02,869 --> 00:12:09,410

they see me to keep putting the woman's

281

00:12:06,198 --> 00:12:12,498

sexual peak back I remember when I was

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00:12:09,409 --> 00:12:14,269

younger they used to say it was 30s or

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00:12:12,499 --> 00:12:16,249

something and they've moved it into the

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00:12:14,269 --> 00:12:18,769

40s and they send a big putting it

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00:12:16,249 --> 00:12:20,540

higher as the baby boomers get older is

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00:12:18,769 --> 00:12:22,220

this to sell magazines or is there any

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00:12:20,539 --> 00:12:23,719

statistical evidence to prove that the

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00:12:22,220 --> 00:12:25,970

woman's sexual peak seems to be getting

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00:12:23,720 --> 00:12:27,889

older well I just think this is so

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00:12:25,970 --> 00:12:29,540

interesting it really shows you know the

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00:12:27,889 --> 00:12:31,159

term I didn't notice beforehand but it's

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00:12:29,539 --> 00:12:33,198

a cultural mem so it's something that

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00:12:31,159 --> 00:12:36,078

everybody believes well a meme I love

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00:12:33,198 --> 00:12:37,849

that it's a made-up word ma ma mean many

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00:12:36,078 --> 00:12:39,738

meaning everyone thinking the same thing

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00:12:37,850 --> 00:12:41,298

at the same time didn't mean as much

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00:12:39,739 --> 00:12:43,160

before there was the internet but with

298

00:12:41,298 --> 00:12:44,539

the Internet yeah everybody can think

299

00:12:43,159 --> 00:12:45,918

this everyone knows the same thing

300
00:12:44,539 --> 00:12:47,568
because of all reading the same thing

301
00:12:45,918 --> 00:12:52,338
ever everyone's watching the cat in that

302
00:12:47,568 --> 00:12:56,208
keyboard and god that's sexy so with

303
00:12:52,339 --> 00:12:57,649
that there's this idea yes that women in

304
00:12:56,208 --> 00:12:59,659
you know in their mid-30s have their

305
00:12:57,649 --> 00:13:01,578
sexual peak and men in their adolescent

306
00:12:59,659 --> 00:13:04,159
years but do you know that this all

307
00:13:01,578 --> 00:13:06,738
comes down to one study by alfred kinsey

308
00:13:04,159 --> 00:13:09,409
a sexologist I think believe it was in

309
00:13:06,739 --> 00:13:12,619
the 50s and he found in his one study

310
00:13:09,409 --> 00:13:14,480
that women who were I think 36 were

311
00:13:12,619 --> 00:13:16,699
masturbating and having the most orgasms

312
00:13:14,480 --> 00:13:18,860
and so that's what it was based on and

313
00:13:16,698 --> 00:13:20,868
again this is a difficult like this is a

314

00:13:18,860 --> 00:13:22,068
difficult thing to do Studies on in the

315
00:13:20,869 --> 00:13:24,259
first place is that part of the reason

316
00:13:22,068 --> 00:13:25,698
why there's a scarcity of information

317
00:13:24,259 --> 00:13:27,168
because is this the kind of thing it's

318
00:13:25,698 --> 00:13:29,328
difficult to get past an ethics

319
00:13:27,168 --> 00:13:30,918
committee is it you can't really you

320
00:13:29,328 --> 00:13:33,318
know take a video camera on your notepad

321
00:13:30,918 --> 00:13:36,649
into people's bedrooms at night so it is

322
00:13:33,318 --> 00:13:38,358
really complicated and there's been a

323
00:13:36,649 --> 00:13:40,428
lot of stigma attached about studying

324
00:13:38,359 --> 00:13:43,220
sexuality it's interesting though it's

325
00:13:40,428 --> 00:13:45,488
really since viagra has hit the scene

326
00:13:43,220 --> 00:13:48,949
and become so financially successful

327
00:13:45,489 --> 00:13:51,470
that women's sexuality later in life and

328
00:13:48,948 --> 00:13:52,849

in general if becomes the area of

329

00:13:51,470 --> 00:13:55,009

scientific inquiry

330

00:13:52,850 --> 00:13:56,480

good money can be made from it right dr.

331

00:13:55,009 --> 00:13:58,459

Bella this is definitely what I want to

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00:13:56,480 --> 00:14:03,350

talk to you about that female sexual

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00:13:58,458 --> 00:14:07,338

arousal disorder or fsad now this is is

334

00:14:03,350 --> 00:14:09,050

this one of these made up or diseases

335

00:14:07,339 --> 00:14:11,569

that just went around and if you could

336

00:14:09,049 --> 00:14:14,359

sell a female viagra and tell people

337

00:14:11,568 --> 00:14:17,689

that they need it man you know you are

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00:14:14,360 --> 00:14:20,778

printing money yes yes well it's very

339

00:14:17,690 --> 00:14:22,579

interesting so in the 70s this notion of

340

00:14:20,778 --> 00:14:24,409

female sexual dysfunction started

341

00:14:22,578 --> 00:14:26,088

popping up in the literature here and

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00:14:24,409 --> 00:14:29,088

there and that was involving issues

343
00:14:26,089 --> 00:14:31,819
associated with desire arousal orgasm

344
00:14:29,089 --> 00:14:33,620
and sexual pain and and then guess again

345
00:14:31,818 --> 00:14:35,750
we hear about viagra this becomes a

346
00:14:33,620 --> 00:14:37,850
widespread sirs idea that people are

347
00:14:35,750 --> 00:14:41,120
getting used to that people are taking a

348
00:14:37,850 --> 00:14:43,730
drug to help female sexual dysfunction

349
00:14:41,120 --> 00:14:45,889
now dr. Bella I would like not being

350
00:14:43,730 --> 00:14:47,420
with females they've taken viagra a few

351
00:14:45,889 --> 00:14:50,028
times and have claimed that it's had and

352
00:14:47,419 --> 00:14:51,679
a positive effect on them and is that

353
00:14:50,028 --> 00:14:53,120
the case is there any study for this

354
00:14:51,679 --> 00:14:55,039
although they just experiencing the

355
00:14:53,120 --> 00:14:57,709
placebo effects all right oh it's

356
00:14:55,039 --> 00:15:00,438
interesting isn't it viagra has been

357
00:14:57,708 --> 00:15:02,719
given to women it's medical name being

358
00:15:00,438 --> 00:15:04,698
sylvan phil and other similar drugs as

359
00:15:02,720 --> 00:15:07,509
well and they've largely proved to be

360
00:15:04,698 --> 00:15:11,539
rather disappointing although there they

361
00:15:07,509 --> 00:15:13,970
produce women being wet or aroused their

362
00:15:11,539 --> 00:15:16,399
women's minds aren't so it really goes

363
00:15:13,970 --> 00:15:18,800
to show that our minds are true g-spot

364
00:15:16,399 --> 00:15:20,870
when we are looking at sex drugs for

365
00:15:18,799 --> 00:15:23,269
women has been to three different areas

366
00:15:20,870 --> 00:15:25,159
on one's drugs that affect blood flow

367
00:15:23,269 --> 00:15:27,318
which we were talking about by a grand

368
00:15:25,159 --> 00:15:28,938
such ones that affect the hormonal

369
00:15:27,318 --> 00:15:31,370
system and others that affect the

370
00:15:28,938 --> 00:15:33,588
central nervous system and what do you

371

00:15:31,370 --> 00:15:35,990
think is the magic bullet for female

372
00:15:33,589 --> 00:15:38,060
sexuality drugs in the future or like

373
00:15:35,990 --> 00:15:39,680
almost anything else in our pharmacy

374
00:15:38,059 --> 00:15:41,958
there is no such thing as the magic

375
00:15:39,679 --> 00:15:44,899
bullet for everyone well there isn't yet

376
00:15:41,958 --> 00:15:47,208
but I predict 15 years from now within

377
00:15:44,899 --> 00:15:49,610
15 years frame there will be a sex drug

378
00:15:47,208 --> 00:15:51,078
filament arrival viagra and because

379
00:15:49,610 --> 00:15:52,938
there's mean leather pants because that

380
00:15:51,078 --> 00:15:57,049
drives everyone crazy doesn't matter

381
00:15:52,938 --> 00:15:59,480
what sex they are I've just came back

382
00:15:57,049 --> 00:16:02,000
though to the idea of how female sexual

383
00:15:59,480 --> 00:16:05,209
dysfunction became so popular it was

384
00:16:02,000 --> 00:16:06,149
found in a paper in 1999 in the Journal

385
00:16:05,208 --> 00:16:08,669

of American medal

386

00:16:06,149 --> 00:16:10,620

Medical Association that forty-three

387

00:16:08,669 --> 00:16:13,500

percent of women had a female sexual

388

00:16:10,620 --> 00:16:15,570

desire at sexual dysfunction so you know

389

00:16:13,500 --> 00:16:18,539

that sounds quite an obvious made a

390

00:16:15,570 --> 00:16:21,360

message to women doesn't it and it came

391

00:16:18,539 --> 00:16:24,000

a hot topic of conversation it certainly

392

00:16:21,360 --> 00:16:25,830

does and the reading I've done pride as

393

00:16:24,000 --> 00:16:28,679

interviewer particularly from Bianca

394

00:16:25,830 --> 00:16:30,120

laurino I believe she actually looked at

395

00:16:28,679 --> 00:16:32,189

the one of the people has looked at the

396

00:16:30,120 --> 00:16:33,779

methodology of this study and I'm sure

397

00:16:32,190 --> 00:16:36,330

you're about to tell us where it perhaps

398

00:16:33,779 --> 00:16:38,480

may be flawed yes just amazing isn't it

399

00:16:36,330 --> 00:16:41,670

so women were classified with a

400
00:16:38,480 --> 00:16:43,740
dysfunction if they answered yes just

401
00:16:41,669 --> 00:16:46,169
one of seven questions and these

402
00:16:43,740 --> 00:16:48,899
included whether they'd experienced lack

403
00:16:46,169 --> 00:16:51,599
of desire for sex arousal difficulties

404
00:16:48,899 --> 00:16:55,230
whether they had felt anxious before sex

405
00:16:51,600 --> 00:16:57,810
and look I look that's me every time and

406
00:16:55,230 --> 00:16:59,580
also one which i find it could be a

407
00:16:57,809 --> 00:17:01,769
problem but I wouldn't consider it

408
00:16:59,580 --> 00:17:04,470
always a problem is that if the women

409
00:17:01,769 --> 00:17:06,660
came to climax to quickly quickly well

410
00:17:04,470 --> 00:17:08,519
now that could be a problem but it isn't

411
00:17:06,660 --> 00:17:10,320
always considered in the negative

412
00:17:08,519 --> 00:17:12,779
category I mean we can see it's quite

413
00:17:10,319 --> 00:17:14,759
ludicrous to define someone as having a

414
00:17:12,779 --> 00:17:16,799
dysfunction if they sometimes don't

415
00:17:14,759 --> 00:17:19,440
desire sex or their climax too quickly

416
00:17:16,799 --> 00:17:22,588
and the authors also didn't include the

417
00:17:19,440 --> 00:17:23,910
most important a DSM criteria question

418
00:17:22,588 --> 00:17:27,019
and this is I'm referring to the

419
00:17:23,910 --> 00:17:29,850
Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of

420
00:17:27,019 --> 00:17:31,559
Mental Health which is like the Bible of

421
00:17:29,849 --> 00:17:33,569
mental health hang on is that the new

422
00:17:31,559 --> 00:17:36,509
one that's got things like orthorexia

423
00:17:33,569 --> 00:17:38,039
nervosa in it well there's one the last

424
00:17:36,509 --> 00:17:39,509
one was done in two thousand and the

425
00:17:38,039 --> 00:17:41,460
newest one is coming out in two thousand

426
00:17:39,509 --> 00:17:42,809
dollars that's got author x universe or

427
00:17:41,460 --> 00:17:44,579
I like mentioning that that is the

428

00:17:42,809 --> 00:17:47,639
unhealthy obsession with eating healthy

429
00:17:44,579 --> 00:17:49,769
food yeah you know it's the people to

430
00:17:47,640 --> 00:17:51,390
take oh I've got my carrot to it today

431
00:17:49,769 --> 00:17:52,650
and if they don't take their carrot they

432
00:17:51,390 --> 00:17:54,030
don't eat anything till I get home and

433
00:17:52,650 --> 00:17:57,540
have their protein and in the process

434
00:17:54,029 --> 00:17:59,579
cause more damage to themselves yeah my

435
00:17:57,539 --> 00:18:00,899
mind yeah well that's what I mean yeah

436
00:17:59,579 --> 00:18:03,629
that's why people get suspicious when

437
00:18:00,900 --> 00:18:04,620
you have a fsad come into that because

438
00:18:03,630 --> 00:18:06,690
they go hang on a minute what about

439
00:18:04,619 --> 00:18:09,299
orthorexia nervosa but please continue

440
00:18:06,690 --> 00:18:11,250
dr. Bella sure so in this study they

441
00:18:09,299 --> 00:18:13,589
weren't asking women are they distressed

442
00:18:11,250 --> 00:18:16,109

by their so-called low levels of desire

443

00:18:13,589 --> 00:18:17,879

or you know climax scene too rapidly or

444

00:18:16,109 --> 00:18:19,979

and distress is an important element

445

00:18:17,880 --> 00:18:22,650

that is part of now the diet

446

00:18:19,980 --> 00:18:26,610

the criteria to define female sexual

447

00:18:22,650 --> 00:18:28,679

dysfunction hmm and so it's like

448

00:18:26,609 --> 00:18:30,389

obviously if there's money to buy their

449

00:18:28,679 --> 00:18:33,120

like a pharmaceutical company doing a

450

00:18:30,390 --> 00:18:36,509

very large far-reaching study as we

451

00:18:33,119 --> 00:18:37,678

speak to either get this solved one way

452

00:18:36,509 --> 00:18:38,910

or the other so they can find out

453

00:18:37,679 --> 00:18:41,160

whether they can make money one might

454

00:18:38,910 --> 00:18:45,540

other well essentially this is what I

455

00:18:41,160 --> 00:18:47,580

believe is that for hospital epic

456

00:18:45,539 --> 00:18:49,980

communities to approve a new drug trial

457
00:18:47,579 --> 00:18:52,589
they must first have a disease for the

458
00:18:49,980 --> 00:18:54,210
product to treat so inflated rates the

459
00:18:52,589 --> 00:18:57,359
female sexual dysfunction create a need

460
00:18:54,210 --> 00:18:59,640
for treatment and we'll see that in the

461
00:18:57,359 --> 00:19:01,979
DSM which we are talking about the DSM

462
00:18:59,640 --> 00:19:03,990
for the Bible of mental health the

463
00:19:01,980 --> 00:19:07,710
definitions of female sexual dysfunction

464
00:19:03,990 --> 00:19:10,200
that we are using came about from a

465
00:19:07,710 --> 00:19:12,000
number of conferences in which many of

466
00:19:10,200 --> 00:19:13,710
the researchers had linked to drug

467
00:19:12,000 --> 00:19:16,769
companies for instance in one conference

468
00:19:13,710 --> 00:19:18,690
18 at a 19 participants are found to

469
00:19:16,769 --> 00:19:22,619
have a link to total of twenty-two drug

470
00:19:18,690 --> 00:19:24,210
companies um I'm no hang on yeah well

471
00:19:22,619 --> 00:19:27,389
what surprise on thinking oh hang on

472
00:19:24,210 --> 00:19:31,048
conflict of interest why that's alive

473
00:19:27,390 --> 00:19:33,840
and and it is you know is it confusing

474
00:19:31,048 --> 00:19:35,668
area and many of the top sex researchers

475
00:19:33,839 --> 00:19:38,389
from around the world although they are

476
00:19:35,669 --> 00:19:41,160
being funded or have you know act as

477
00:19:38,390 --> 00:19:43,320
advisory on advisory boards for Big

478
00:19:41,160 --> 00:19:45,120
Pharma and they say that their work

479
00:19:43,319 --> 00:19:48,539
isn't biased and that they're being

480
00:19:45,119 --> 00:19:50,819
transparent but from afar it certainly

481
00:19:48,539 --> 00:19:52,678
makes things you know you want to put

482
00:19:50,819 --> 00:19:54,210
question what happening and of course

483
00:19:52,679 --> 00:19:55,650
that you have the problem you have the

484
00:19:54,210 --> 00:19:57,600
the same thing that people point out

485

00:19:55,650 --> 00:19:59,460
with vaccines but the problem is if you

486
00:19:57,599 --> 00:20:01,199
want to talk to someone who's an expert

487
00:19:59,460 --> 00:20:02,130
on the flu you probably have to get

488
00:20:01,200 --> 00:20:04,019
someone from the world health

489
00:20:02,130 --> 00:20:06,090
organization that knows all about it to

490
00:20:04,019 --> 00:20:07,859
help you so these would be the people

491
00:20:06,089 --> 00:20:10,619
that you'd ask anyway wouldn't they yes

492
00:20:07,859 --> 00:20:13,709
that's right that's right and so there

493
00:20:10,619 --> 00:20:16,349
has been numerous studies from around

494
00:20:13,710 --> 00:20:19,980
the world trying to figure out how many

495
00:20:16,349 --> 00:20:21,719
women are experiencing female sexual

496
00:20:19,980 --> 00:20:27,539
dysfunction particularly in terms of low

497
00:20:21,720 --> 00:20:28,829
desire the disorder in this dsm Bibles

498
00:20:27,539 --> 00:20:32,220
mental health that they've come up with

499
00:20:28,829 --> 00:20:33,809

is called HSP d hypoactive sexual desire

500

00:20:32,220 --> 00:20:36,750
disorder

501

00:20:33,809 --> 00:20:39,539
means riya current absence of sexual

502

00:20:36,750 --> 00:20:41,369
fantasies a desire for sex which causes

503

00:20:39,539 --> 00:20:43,230
one Mart distress and cannot be

504

00:20:41,369 --> 00:20:46,019
explained by another mental disorder

505

00:20:43,230 --> 00:20:48,029
drug or medical condition I really

506

00:20:46,019 --> 00:20:51,210
believe though that this chronic low

507

00:20:48,029 --> 00:20:53,250
libido is the natural normal state of

508

00:20:51,210 --> 00:20:54,660
affairs too many women particularly in

509

00:20:53,250 --> 00:20:56,579
long-term relationships I don't think

510

00:20:54,660 --> 00:20:58,170
it's necessarily a disorder but that

511

00:20:56,579 --> 00:21:01,199
that's what I was going to ask you how

512

00:20:58,170 --> 00:21:03,180
do we quantify the range of as we all

513

00:21:01,200 --> 00:21:05,160
ask all scientists like to draw draw a

514
00:21:03,180 --> 00:21:07,500
nice bell curve how do you figure out

515
00:21:05,160 --> 00:21:10,140
what is the correct so-called libido for

516
00:21:07,500 --> 00:21:12,299
anyone at any age in any culture exactly

517
00:21:10,140 --> 00:21:15,120
that is the that is the question you've

518
00:21:12,299 --> 00:21:17,369
exactly hit it and the thing too is that

519
00:21:15,119 --> 00:21:20,099
culture as you're pointing out as a huge

520
00:21:17,369 --> 00:21:22,619
role in our sexuality in the Victorian

521
00:21:20,099 --> 00:21:24,929
times for instance low female desire was

522
00:21:22,619 --> 00:21:27,239
considered a virtue and now all of a

523
00:21:24,930 --> 00:21:28,860
sudden meant to disorder so and think

524
00:21:27,240 --> 00:21:30,509
it'll really cool diseases to like the

525
00:21:28,859 --> 00:21:32,939
vapors that's a great I've got the

526
00:21:30,509 --> 00:21:34,650
vapors get my steam-powered you know

527
00:21:32,940 --> 00:21:36,150
vibrator whatever they had then and I

528

00:21:34,650 --> 00:21:37,650

and that's when they were around first

529

00:21:36,150 --> 00:21:39,840

around mozno because there was a whole

530

00:21:37,650 --> 00:21:42,600

sexual arousal problem that came in then

531

00:21:39,839 --> 00:21:44,459

mm-hmm so it it really goes to show how

532

00:21:42,599 --> 00:21:46,109

the sexuality of women what our

533

00:21:44,460 --> 00:21:47,910

sexuality should be like is quite

534

00:21:46,109 --> 00:21:50,879

fashionable depending on where we live

535

00:21:47,910 --> 00:21:53,580

and what culture were in and to call it

536

00:21:50,880 --> 00:21:56,100

science and make it an absolute is quite

537

00:21:53,579 --> 00:21:58,889

dubious I believe look and there's a

538

00:21:56,099 --> 00:22:00,480

phrase in your book and excuse me if I

539

00:21:58,890 --> 00:22:03,810

misquote you there but it's something

540

00:22:00,480 --> 00:22:06,299

like women females are about passion

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00:22:03,809 --> 00:22:08,609

they're just not always about sexual

542

00:22:06,299 --> 00:22:10,440
passion yes and could you explain that

543
00:22:08,609 --> 00:22:12,689
because I think that that sums things up

544
00:22:10,440 --> 00:22:14,820
beautifully oh thank you i really think

545
00:22:12,690 --> 00:22:18,360
if we look at our sex drive or our

546
00:22:14,819 --> 00:22:20,639
libido as our creative sensual energy

547
00:22:18,359 --> 00:22:22,319
our life force which some of the

548
00:22:20,640 --> 00:22:24,960
original thinkers looking at libido did

549
00:22:22,319 --> 00:22:26,819
think of it this way and then women's

550
00:22:24,960 --> 00:22:28,829
lives aren't devoid of passion we may

551
00:22:26,819 --> 00:22:30,689
just be involved in passionate parent

552
00:22:28,829 --> 00:22:34,189
parenting or having passionate careers

553
00:22:30,690 --> 00:22:37,320
or presenting a whole appearance that

554
00:22:34,190 --> 00:22:40,410
induces passion or our home and dinner

555
00:22:37,319 --> 00:22:44,639
tables a lot of passion and excitement

556
00:22:40,410 --> 00:22:46,730

and creativity in women's lives and if

557

00:22:44,640 --> 00:22:48,679
couples decide they want more

558

00:22:46,730 --> 00:22:51,079
or sensuality in their partnerships

559

00:22:48,679 --> 00:22:53,720
women may be able to reach channel some

560

00:22:51,079 --> 00:22:57,199
of this energy and redirect it towards

561

00:22:53,720 --> 00:22:59,600
their their central partnership and look

562

00:22:57,200 --> 00:23:01,940
up how much is it our fault I mean a lot

563

00:22:59,599 --> 00:23:04,279
of men did the early research a lot of

564

00:23:01,940 --> 00:23:06,048
times here men's sex drive is being

565

00:23:04,279 --> 00:23:08,000
compared to women sex drivers if they

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00:23:06,048 --> 00:23:10,369
should be similar powerful things at

567

00:23:08,000 --> 00:23:11,509
certain times where does that come into

568

00:23:10,369 --> 00:23:12,769
the whole thing that you know women

569

00:23:11,509 --> 00:23:14,929
should be more like men sexually

570

00:23:12,769 --> 00:23:16,879
sometimes and vice versa very

571
00:23:14,929 --> 00:23:19,370
interesting point I think that reflects

572
00:23:16,880 --> 00:23:20,809
what our current culture is sort of

573
00:23:19,369 --> 00:23:22,969
getting at you know sex is the new

574
00:23:20,808 --> 00:23:25,129
status symbol and those that don't have

575
00:23:22,970 --> 00:23:27,710
it and not only inferior but potentially

576
00:23:25,130 --> 00:23:30,350
dysfunctional is really interesting the

577
00:23:27,710 --> 00:23:33,140
definition of a sexless marriage in our

578
00:23:30,349 --> 00:23:35,089
time period is a relationship where

579
00:23:33,140 --> 00:23:37,460
couples are having sex 10 times a year

580
00:23:35,089 --> 00:23:38,808
or less I think that's quite amazing

581
00:23:37,460 --> 00:23:41,269
that couples that have been together for

582
00:23:38,808 --> 00:23:43,759
a decade or have young screaming

583
00:23:41,269 --> 00:23:46,308
toddlers or you know enormous bills to

584
00:23:43,759 --> 00:23:48,980
pay if they're having sex once a month

585
00:23:46,308 --> 00:23:50,149
or so I think that's quite fantastic and

586
00:23:48,980 --> 00:23:53,058
they're doing a great job at keeping

587
00:23:50,150 --> 00:23:54,500
their sensual bond alive and yet here in

588
00:23:53,058 --> 00:23:57,829
our society we're labeling that as a

589
00:23:54,500 --> 00:24:00,019
sexless relationship quite intriguing if

590
00:23:57,829 --> 00:24:02,149
you could get a grant and you could get

591
00:24:00,019 --> 00:24:04,460
a study through an ethics committee what

592
00:24:02,150 --> 00:24:06,559
kind of research would you like to do in

593
00:24:04,460 --> 00:24:07,940
to sexuality in Australia in the 21st

594
00:24:06,558 --> 00:24:09,619
century that you think needs to be done

595
00:24:07,940 --> 00:24:11,990
to answer few these fundamental

596
00:24:09,619 --> 00:24:15,649
questions dr. Bella I think I'd like to

597
00:24:11,990 --> 00:24:18,890
explore with women how we can create

598
00:24:15,650 --> 00:24:21,110
more sensual lives how we can work at

599

00:24:18,890 --> 00:24:23,030
sexual mindfulness stealing our mind

600
00:24:21,109 --> 00:24:25,548
removing ourselves from chores and that

601
00:24:23,029 --> 00:24:27,519
ever never ending to do list of all the

602
00:24:25,548 --> 00:24:31,940
all the things we have to get done and

603
00:24:27,519 --> 00:24:34,490
work out together what ways we can come

604
00:24:31,940 --> 00:24:37,220
up with to have a more erotic life and

605
00:24:34,490 --> 00:24:40,130
do you think the role of pornography has

606
00:24:37,220 --> 00:24:41,690
damaged any of this and but I think you

607
00:24:40,130 --> 00:24:43,850
should assume that pornography is

608
00:24:41,690 --> 00:24:46,130
fantasy not take it on as being reality

609
00:24:43,849 --> 00:24:48,168
in the same way you could say have

610
00:24:46,130 --> 00:24:50,990
Hollywood musicals damage the way people

611
00:24:48,169 --> 00:24:52,850
dance so I'm just wondering how you feel

612
00:24:50,990 --> 00:24:54,890
about that well I think there's really

613
00:24:52,849 --> 00:24:57,558

two sized pornography I think it's

614

00:24:54,890 --> 00:25:00,049

certainly the exposure to young people

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00:24:57,558 --> 00:25:00,980

young people's minds is very extensive

616

00:25:00,048 --> 00:25:03,500

and can

617

00:25:00,980 --> 00:25:06,529

unrealistic expectations about the role

618

00:25:03,500 --> 00:25:09,200

of sex how women look how they act

619

00:25:06,529 --> 00:25:11,058

sexually and that can be damaging

620

00:25:09,200 --> 00:25:14,539

although traditionally haven't young

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00:25:11,058 --> 00:25:17,539

people always had put sex at an overly

622

00:25:14,539 --> 00:25:18,859

important part of Allah it may have but

623

00:25:17,539 --> 00:25:21,710

I think there's probably a difference

624

00:25:18,859 --> 00:25:23,629

between you're looking at one centerfold

625

00:25:21,710 --> 00:25:27,079

for instance in a magazine to being able

626

00:25:23,630 --> 00:25:29,090

to at the touch of your screen go to any

627

00:25:27,079 --> 00:25:33,079

country and see any sex act no matter

628
00:25:29,089 --> 00:25:35,839
how you know outrageous that said sex

629
00:25:33,079 --> 00:25:38,960
therapist often advise pornography for

630
00:25:35,839 --> 00:25:40,639
couples that are having low levels of

631
00:25:38,960 --> 00:25:43,069
desire in their relationship to spice

632
00:25:40,640 --> 00:25:45,080
things up today see it as a sexual tool

633
00:25:43,069 --> 00:25:47,960
so I think there are different elements

634
00:25:45,079 --> 00:25:49,909
to the argument yes and have when you've

635
00:25:47,960 --> 00:25:52,429
been on panels debating this very topic

636
00:25:49,910 --> 00:25:53,600
it is such an intricate topic can you

637
00:25:52,429 --> 00:25:55,880
ever found yourself getting caught up

638
00:25:53,599 --> 00:25:59,779
well certainly it's very emotional for

639
00:25:55,880 --> 00:26:02,890
people and it really hits buttons of you

640
00:25:59,779 --> 00:26:06,019
know insecurity worried about our future

641
00:26:02,890 --> 00:26:08,600
what excites us is a personal issue you

642

00:26:06,019 --> 00:26:11,750

know it really is a hotbed of inquiry

643

00:26:08,599 --> 00:26:14,240

and what would how would you answer the

644

00:26:11,750 --> 00:26:15,919

question when people say everyone seems

645

00:26:14,240 --> 00:26:17,839

to be having more sex than me more often

646

00:26:15,919 --> 00:26:20,240

and it seems to be better I mean what's

647

00:26:17,839 --> 00:26:21,980

the best way to assure us that you know

648

00:26:20,240 --> 00:26:23,750

things aren't that bad for us well I

649

00:26:21,980 --> 00:26:25,789

don't think everybody's having more sex

650

00:26:23,750 --> 00:26:27,650

than us and I think if you talk to them

651

00:26:25,789 --> 00:26:29,629

five years into their relationship it

652

00:26:27,650 --> 00:26:31,340

probably won't be the case one last

653

00:26:29,630 --> 00:26:32,929

question here's an interesting study and

654

00:26:31,339 --> 00:26:34,129

I would like to know because this you

655

00:26:32,929 --> 00:26:36,919

know this is this is I think this is a

656

00:26:34,130 --> 00:26:39,590
good one in 2007 from your book sex

657
00:26:36,919 --> 00:26:44,059
drive a 2007 American study found that

658
00:26:39,589 --> 00:26:47,480
the when lap dancers were ovulating they

659
00:26:44,058 --> 00:26:49,399
actually earned more tips than any other

660
00:26:47,480 --> 00:26:51,529
time during their cycle why is that

661
00:26:49,400 --> 00:26:53,360
they're dancing better people can

662
00:26:51,529 --> 00:26:55,220
somehow get something of the phenoms

663
00:26:53,359 --> 00:26:57,469
come without had it why do you think

664
00:26:55,220 --> 00:26:59,509
that is well it is quite mysterious I

665
00:26:57,470 --> 00:27:02,120
think there's still a lot to learn about

666
00:26:59,509 --> 00:27:04,339
our hormones and our sexuality are

667
00:27:02,119 --> 00:27:07,428
ovulation and women's sexuality

668
00:27:04,339 --> 00:27:09,439
generally across the lifespan Wow okay

669
00:27:07,429 --> 00:27:10,730
look thank you dr. Bella and where do

670
00:27:09,440 --> 00:27:13,009

you suggest I should go for further

671

00:27:10,730 --> 00:27:14,579

reading I mean diving into Wikipedia can

672

00:27:13,009 --> 00:27:16,259

be a bit confusing and

673

00:27:14,579 --> 00:27:17,609

you know i like to say wikipedia is a

674

00:27:16,259 --> 00:27:19,288

little bit like a public toilet it's

675

00:27:17,609 --> 00:27:21,750

only as good as the last person who was

676

00:27:19,288 --> 00:27:23,609

there so you know you know who knows

677

00:27:21,750 --> 00:27:25,200

what's been written there is it wears a

678

00:27:23,609 --> 00:27:27,569

website we could go to get more

679

00:27:25,200 --> 00:28:05,490

information about this well there's my

680

00:27:27,569 --> 00:28:07,408

website which is www.hyken.com light by

681

00:28:05,490 --> 00:28:09,450

reading material and just one last

682

00:28:07,409 --> 00:28:11,039

warning there's a lot of whoo in the

683

00:28:09,450 --> 00:28:12,630

world of sex people want to sell you all

684

00:28:11,038 --> 00:28:14,158

sorts of things over the counter to help

685
00:28:12,630 --> 00:28:15,750
your sex drive what is that the one

686
00:28:14,159 --> 00:28:17,159
thing you should just try and avoid that

687
00:28:15,750 --> 00:28:19,589
definitely doesn't work that a lot of

688
00:28:17,159 --> 00:28:21,690
people get sucked in by I think the

689
00:28:19,589 --> 00:28:23,369
thing that works the least is comparing

690
00:28:21,690 --> 00:28:26,159
our sexuality to the sensuality of

691
00:28:23,369 --> 00:28:28,079
others really just going to your home

692
00:28:26,159 --> 00:28:30,539
figuring out with your partner what rule

693
00:28:28,079 --> 00:28:32,548
sensuality wants to be in your life

694
00:28:30,538 --> 00:28:34,200
together and being frank about that

695
00:28:32,548 --> 00:28:36,720
discussion I think is really the way to

696
00:28:34,200 --> 00:28:37,889
go rather than seeking a product now I'm

697
00:28:36,720 --> 00:28:40,500
going to go out and do a bit more study

698
00:28:37,888 --> 00:28:43,158
on this lap dancing issue okay you do

699
00:28:40,500 --> 00:28:43,159
now all right

700
00:28:53,380 --> 00:28:58,399
hello this is brian dunning from the

701
00:28:55,788 --> 00:29:00,648
skepta bod cast if you can be in New

702
00:28:58,398 --> 00:29:02,629
Hampshire this Monday night drop by New

703
00:29:00,648 --> 00:29:06,888
England College in Henniker to hear my

704
00:29:02,630 --> 00:29:10,940
live show sounds from beyond for free at

705
00:29:06,888 --> 00:29:13,548
the simon center sounds from beyond is a

706
00:29:10,940 --> 00:29:15,740
fun-filled hour featuring strange sounds

707
00:29:13,548 --> 00:29:18,230
that Aviva solved mysteries created

708
00:29:15,740 --> 00:29:20,359
mysteries or that help explain how and

709
00:29:18,230 --> 00:29:23,058
why our universe works the way it does

710
00:29:20,359 --> 00:29:26,479
that's new england college monday march

711
00:29:23,058 --> 00:29:29,538
twenty six twenty twelve at 7pm more

712
00:29:26,480 --> 00:29:31,759
informations at NEC edu or come to

713

00:29:29,538 --> 00:29:34,069
sceptile calm to find out how to bring

714
00:29:31,759 --> 00:29:36,759
sounds from beyond to a venue near you

715
00:29:34,069 --> 00:29:36,759
hurroo

716
00:29:40,049 --> 00:29:42,109
you

717
00:29:50,049 --> 00:29:56,909
is penny Chen

718
00:29:53,170 --> 00:29:56,910
with a penny to your thoughts

719
00:30:01,970 --> 00:30:07,500
welcome to another episode of penny for

720
00:30:04,890 --> 00:30:10,890
your thoughts right now i am at john

721
00:30:07,500 --> 00:30:14,569
rails apartment you're welcome I'm here

722
00:30:10,890 --> 00:30:18,480
with John rail and large Donahue and

723
00:30:14,569 --> 00:30:19,980
Jarrett Kaufman Jarrett coffin and today

724
00:30:18,480 --> 00:30:24,450
I want to beat i'm gonna be talking to

725
00:30:19,980 --> 00:30:26,279
jared kaufman about iig so um have you

726
00:30:24,450 --> 00:30:28,049
been on the skeptics on before I have

727
00:30:26,279 --> 00:30:29,369

not this is my first time first time on

728

00:30:28,049 --> 00:30:33,359

the podcast so thank you thanks for

729

00:30:29,369 --> 00:30:36,349

having me so first explain what the iig

730

00:30:33,359 --> 00:30:38,549

is what the iig is the independent

731

00:30:36,349 --> 00:30:41,789

investigations group were based out of

732

00:30:38,549 --> 00:30:44,669

Hollywood California or Los Angeles and

733

00:30:41,789 --> 00:30:46,950

so where we are a paranormal and

734

00:30:44,670 --> 00:30:49,289

pseudoscience investigations group made

735

00:30:46,950 --> 00:30:51,600

up of volunteer members it's a you know

736

00:30:49,289 --> 00:30:53,069

it's a it's a dues-paying organization

737

00:30:51,599 --> 00:30:55,679

that's what gives us the funds we need

738

00:30:53,069 --> 00:30:58,619

to actually carry out various tasks go

739

00:30:55,680 --> 00:31:00,750

to events and pay for the cost of these

740

00:30:58,619 --> 00:31:02,489

things but we we as opposed to being

741

00:31:00,750 --> 00:31:05,460

like a meetup group that just hangs out

742
00:31:02,490 --> 00:31:07,519
and talks about skepticism we're the

743
00:31:05,460 --> 00:31:10,650
ones who are actually actively

744
00:31:07,519 --> 00:31:12,480
participating so whether we're going out

745
00:31:10,650 --> 00:31:14,400
and finding something to investigate or

746
00:31:12,480 --> 00:31:17,099
whether people are coming to us we're

747
00:31:14,400 --> 00:31:18,570
always actively actively working one of

748
00:31:17,099 --> 00:31:20,609
the things we're known for is we do have

749
00:31:18,569 --> 00:31:22,859
a fifty-thousand-dollar paranormal

750
00:31:20,609 --> 00:31:25,289
challenge and so people will come to us

751
00:31:22,859 --> 00:31:27,119
usually online they'll email us and fill

752
00:31:25,289 --> 00:31:29,519
out an application and tell us I have

753
00:31:27,119 --> 00:31:32,639
this amazing paranormal ability of some

754
00:31:29,519 --> 00:31:35,609
sort whether it's a psychic abilities or

755
00:31:32,640 --> 00:31:37,860
our second projection or in our most

756
00:31:35,609 --> 00:31:39,419
recent case dowsing or a variety of

757
00:31:37,859 --> 00:31:42,719
other things people say to us this is

758
00:31:39,420 --> 00:31:44,640
some special ability I've got and I can

759
00:31:42,720 --> 00:31:46,680
prove it and then we say great if you

760
00:31:44,640 --> 00:31:48,810
can prove it under regional scientific

761
00:31:46,680 --> 00:31:51,509
conditions which includes a protocol

762
00:31:48,809 --> 00:31:53,369
that they agree upon with us so it's not

763
00:31:51,509 --> 00:31:55,230
just us setting all the rules they have

764
00:31:53,369 --> 00:31:57,389
to say to us this is what I can do and

765
00:31:55,230 --> 00:31:58,380
we work with them to finalize something

766
00:31:57,390 --> 00:31:59,970
that they say yes that's definitely

767
00:31:58,380 --> 00:32:01,470
within the range of something that can

768
00:31:59,970 --> 00:32:03,809
do when those conditions are reasonable

769
00:32:01,470 --> 00:32:06,029
then we carry that out and assuming

770

00:32:03,809 --> 00:32:08,339
assuming they can pull it off in a

771
00:32:06,029 --> 00:32:10,289
preliminary demonstration we move on to

772
00:32:08,339 --> 00:32:12,839
a much more rigorous final test and

773
00:32:10,289 --> 00:32:14,450
that's when they would get \$50,000 we

774
00:32:12,839 --> 00:32:16,819
also have a five-thousand-dollar finder

775
00:32:14,450 --> 00:32:19,100
feed anyone who brings someone to us who

776
00:32:16,819 --> 00:32:20,779
then wins the \$50,000 that's our goal

777
00:32:19,099 --> 00:32:22,279
yeah it's a little extra carrot cuz

778
00:32:20,779 --> 00:32:24,529
we'll always have people say does Oh am

779
00:32:22,279 --> 00:32:26,899
I my sister-in-law has this amazing

780
00:32:24,529 --> 00:32:28,220
ability but she you know she doesn't

781
00:32:26,900 --> 00:32:29,930
want to get tested she doesn't think

782
00:32:28,220 --> 00:32:31,339
it's worth it but when we say to them

783
00:32:29,930 --> 00:32:33,110
well you can also get five thousand

784
00:32:31,339 --> 00:32:34,970

dollars for bringing that person to us

785

00:32:33,109 --> 00:32:37,369

and if they succeed then suddenly

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00:32:34,970 --> 00:32:39,680

they're starting to push that person so

787

00:32:37,369 --> 00:32:43,669

that that helps and our most recent was

788

00:32:39,680 --> 00:32:47,660

we just tested a dowser actually a man

789

00:32:43,670 --> 00:32:50,420

from Phoenix Arizona sus in his 70s who

790

00:32:47,660 --> 00:32:52,790

who really genuinely believes he has

791

00:32:50,420 --> 00:32:55,700

dowsing abilities he uses this up yeah

792

00:32:52,789 --> 00:32:58,399

dowsing is a typically using a tool of

793

00:32:55,700 --> 00:33:01,700

some sort the most common is two metal

794

00:32:58,400 --> 00:33:04,130

rods l-shaped rods that you hold one in

795

00:33:01,700 --> 00:33:06,080

each hand the the short end in each hand

796

00:33:04,130 --> 00:33:07,700

and you just basically walk around

797

00:33:06,079 --> 00:33:10,460

typically a field the most common thing

798

00:33:07,700 --> 00:33:13,309

people dows for i believe is water oil

799
00:33:10,460 --> 00:33:17,329
is a common thing as well and probably

800
00:33:13,309 --> 00:33:18,769
other things and well certainly yeah

801
00:33:17,329 --> 00:33:20,990
that that's that's something I've known

802
00:33:18,769 --> 00:33:23,119
people to douse for his lost things but

803
00:33:20,990 --> 00:33:24,859
I think as far as financial gain goes

804
00:33:23,119 --> 00:33:26,959
waters a very common when they'll dow's

805
00:33:24,859 --> 00:33:29,359
for the right spot to build a well to

806
00:33:26,960 --> 00:33:31,460
dig a well so anyway this this person's

807
00:33:29,359 --> 00:33:34,009
variation is he uses just one rod and

808
00:33:31,460 --> 00:33:35,480
can walk around and find he claimed a

809
00:33:34,009 --> 00:33:38,900
lot of things he claimed disturbed earth

810
00:33:35,480 --> 00:33:40,370
and and other factors but this the test

811
00:33:38,900 --> 00:33:43,250
we settled on was he could definitely

812
00:33:40,369 --> 00:33:47,479
find water in a jug that we hid under

813
00:33:43,250 --> 00:33:50,000
under a filing box a box meant to carry

814
00:33:47,480 --> 00:33:53,750
papers so we basically set up a

815
00:33:50,000 --> 00:33:55,940
condition with 15 boxes and he what was

816
00:33:53,750 --> 00:33:59,720
this this was actually just yesterday so

817
00:33:55,940 --> 00:34:04,640
the the 17th of March to st. Patrick's

818
00:33:59,720 --> 00:34:06,559
Day so so we did yes yes so he set this

819
00:34:04,640 --> 00:34:10,369
up he in our offices at the Center for

820
00:34:06,559 --> 00:34:12,710
inquiry in Los Angeles oh and he came he

821
00:34:10,369 --> 00:34:14,210
doubt he pre doused the area and he

822
00:34:12,710 --> 00:34:15,260
found a few areas that he said he was

823
00:34:14,210 --> 00:34:16,610
getting readings from that he was

824
00:34:15,260 --> 00:34:20,000
picking up something maybe there was a

825
00:34:16,610 --> 00:34:21,920
pipe there he does it with just one rod

826
00:34:20,000 --> 00:34:23,329
typically it's to where they cross in

827

00:34:21,920 --> 00:34:25,880
the middle and that's when they got a

828
00:34:23,329 --> 00:34:27,750
signal but in his case it just it'll

829
00:34:25,880 --> 00:34:28,829
it'll just dip off center and

830
00:34:27,750 --> 00:34:31,139
especially if it's really strong it'll

831
00:34:28,829 --> 00:34:33,090
just fall right out of his hand uh it's

832
00:34:31,139 --> 00:34:35,519
a i forget what material he said it was

833
00:34:33,090 --> 00:34:37,710
it just looked like a mean I think it

834
00:34:35,519 --> 00:34:39,179
was not aluminum i'm not sure it was but

835
00:34:37,710 --> 00:34:40,909
he said he's used other wiring as well I

836
00:34:39,179 --> 00:34:44,909
copper wiring and that worked for him

837
00:34:40,909 --> 00:34:46,500
Mikey claimed so anyway in this case he

838
00:34:44,909 --> 00:34:47,940
tooi tested the area found a couple

839
00:34:46,500 --> 00:34:49,230
spots that made him uncomfortable so we

840
00:34:47,940 --> 00:34:51,030
moved boxes around till he was

841
00:34:49,230 --> 00:34:52,648

comfortable that none of the boxes was

842

00:34:51,030 --> 00:34:55,230

in an area that was giving him any any

843

00:34:52,648 --> 00:34:58,349

readings of water and so then we did on

844

00:34:55,230 --> 00:35:02,579

three three phases which gave us odds of

845

00:34:58,349 --> 00:35:05,940

i think it was 3375 to one if he would

846

00:35:02,579 --> 00:35:07,170

get all three in a row I'm not fast on

847

00:35:05,940 --> 00:35:09,690

the maths but that was roughly the

848

00:35:07,170 --> 00:35:12,150

figure and so he would have to get get

849

00:35:09,690 --> 00:35:15,420

the the hidden bottle in all three tests

850

00:35:12,150 --> 00:35:17,789

to succeed and so we we double blinded

851

00:35:15,420 --> 00:35:19,800

this where we picked two people to be

852

00:35:17,789 --> 00:35:21,570

team one everybody left the room

853

00:35:19,800 --> 00:35:24,090

including the claimant everyone else the

854

00:35:21,570 --> 00:35:27,390

cameras were shut off except for cameras

855

00:35:24,090 --> 00:35:28,440

used to record it for our proof later on

856
00:35:27,389 --> 00:35:32,339
that everything was carried out properly

857
00:35:28,440 --> 00:35:36,570
and two people would draw a number from

858
00:35:32,340 --> 00:35:39,600
a basket 1 out of 15 and then go around

859
00:35:36,570 --> 00:35:42,059
moving each box rotating each box so

860
00:35:39,599 --> 00:35:43,559
that they all were disturbed and placing

861
00:35:42,059 --> 00:35:45,779
the bottle under the one that was chosen

862
00:35:43,559 --> 00:35:47,519
from the number then leave go into a

863
00:35:45,780 --> 00:35:49,230
room where they had no access to any one

864
00:35:47,519 --> 00:35:51,150
else and call out to let everyone know

865
00:35:49,230 --> 00:35:52,440
that they were clear and go back in that

866
00:35:51,150 --> 00:35:54,240
way where there wasn't contamination

867
00:35:52,440 --> 00:35:56,550
with anyone as they left the room and

868
00:35:54,239 --> 00:35:58,859
then everybody returned the dowser did

869
00:35:56,550 --> 00:36:00,810
his work walked around got a reading and

870
00:35:58,860 --> 00:36:02,340
said yep that's the box that definitely

871
00:36:00,809 --> 00:36:05,130
the water bottles under that one and

872
00:36:02,340 --> 00:36:06,809
they lifted that box and a water bottle

873
00:36:05,130 --> 00:36:08,400
and then the the other team would come

874
00:36:06,809 --> 00:36:10,139
back in and reveal which box it was

875
00:36:08,400 --> 00:36:11,610
actually under and then they you know

876
00:36:10,139 --> 00:36:14,069
check all the other boxers to prove that

877
00:36:11,610 --> 00:36:16,760
there weren't any false readings and so

878
00:36:14,070 --> 00:36:18,900
this was carried out three times and and

879
00:36:16,760 --> 00:36:21,750
unfortunately for the dowser who was

880
00:36:18,900 --> 00:36:24,240
very confident that he could definitely

881
00:36:21,750 --> 00:36:26,070
do what he claimed he could do he

882
00:36:24,239 --> 00:36:27,479
succeed he did not succeed on any of the

883
00:36:26,070 --> 00:36:29,190
three tests

884

00:36:27,480 --> 00:36:30,690
God zero out of three and you could see

885
00:36:29,190 --> 00:36:33,960
the poor guy was was getting more

886
00:36:30,690 --> 00:36:35,460
dejected as he went along I you can

887
00:36:33,960 --> 00:36:37,349
never tell what's in the the heart and

888
00:36:35,460 --> 00:36:39,750
mind of someone but at least my personal

889
00:36:37,349 --> 00:36:41,670
opinion was he was he was genuine in his

890
00:36:39,750 --> 00:36:43,469
belief that he had this ability and to

891
00:36:41,670 --> 00:36:45,930
give him credit he seemed also very

892
00:36:43,469 --> 00:36:48,868
genuine in desiring that we handled the

893
00:36:45,929 --> 00:36:50,789
test honestly not just to be fair to him

894
00:36:48,869 --> 00:36:52,440
but he was asking us questions about how

895
00:36:50,789 --> 00:36:54,150
we were binding it to really ensure we

896
00:36:52,440 --> 00:36:56,550
were blinding it so he seemed to

897
00:36:54,150 --> 00:36:58,880
genuinely want to prove that this was

898
00:36:56,550 --> 00:37:01,590

real as well and unfortunately he didn't

899

00:36:58,880 --> 00:37:03,480
I'd say he definitely still seemed

900

00:37:01,590 --> 00:37:05,460
relatively convinced there was something

901

00:37:03,480 --> 00:37:07,050
that to his abilities I mean he still

902

00:37:05,460 --> 00:37:08,369
said that when he went home he was still

903

00:37:07,050 --> 00:37:10,019
going to be continuing to practice it

904

00:37:08,369 --> 00:37:13,050
and because he says he knows it works

905

00:37:10,019 --> 00:37:14,460
when he's home so that's a common thing

906

00:37:13,050 --> 00:37:16,170
we deal with these people is there they

907

00:37:14,460 --> 00:37:17,760
usually aren't convinced they don't have

908

00:37:16,170 --> 00:37:19,200
the ability they're just convinced

909

00:37:17,760 --> 00:37:21,240
there's a reason it didn't work here but

910

00:37:19,199 --> 00:37:23,339
he was clearly shaken and disappointed

911

00:37:21,239 --> 00:37:25,349
and you know we see that we always feel

912

00:37:23,340 --> 00:37:26,608
bad for these people I mean a lot of us

913
00:37:25,349 --> 00:37:28,079
are rooting for them even if we don't

914
00:37:26,608 --> 00:37:30,090
necessarily believe going and it's going

915
00:37:28,079 --> 00:37:33,840
to work when we see it we sure want to

916
00:37:30,090 --> 00:37:35,880
see something work far I mean ask a

917
00:37:33,840 --> 00:37:38,070
friend relay hey babe did you set up

918
00:37:35,880 --> 00:37:40,019
these jugs I'm gonna step outside now be

919
00:37:38,070 --> 00:37:42,780
back in but don't tell me which one just

920
00:37:40,019 --> 00:37:44,789
a simple like generic like single blinds

921
00:37:42,780 --> 00:37:48,180
things I think a lot of people don't

922
00:37:44,789 --> 00:37:49,858
know what it means to blind study some

923
00:37:48,179 --> 00:37:51,509
like you don't believe you'll even

924
00:37:49,858 --> 00:37:52,769
little kids it's like okay don't tell me

925
00:37:51,510 --> 00:37:54,270
if you're looking at me but I'm gonna

926
00:37:52,769 --> 00:37:55,739
try and guess and then you tell me if I

927
00:37:54,269 --> 00:37:58,108
got it right or not you know and and

928
00:37:55,739 --> 00:38:00,779
this this gentleman Luis did claim that

929
00:37:58,108 --> 00:38:03,539
he has he has done blinded testing with

930
00:38:00,780 --> 00:38:04,920
friends now it's single blinded and that

931
00:38:03,539 --> 00:38:07,289
was a thing that he wasn't familiar with

932
00:38:04,920 --> 00:38:08,880
wolf of y singh y double blinding was

933
00:38:07,289 --> 00:38:10,829
important and we had to explain that to

934
00:38:08,880 --> 00:38:13,140
him after the fact but he has single

935
00:38:10,829 --> 00:38:14,489
blonde he's has friends never to this

936
00:38:13,139 --> 00:38:16,858
degree he said he's really only done it

937
00:38:14,489 --> 00:38:18,959
under under for hidden objects before

938
00:38:16,858 --> 00:38:20,849
but he'll have his friends hide it under

939
00:38:18,960 --> 00:38:23,190
one of the objects and then he goes and

940
00:38:20,849 --> 00:38:25,559
douses so we had to explain to him that

941

00:38:23,190 --> 00:38:28,050
the subtle clues that another an

942
00:38:25,559 --> 00:38:29,579
observer can give that our subconscious

943
00:38:28,050 --> 00:38:31,289
and of course we we did have to teach

944
00:38:29,579 --> 00:38:32,819
him about the ideomotor effect which is

945
00:38:31,289 --> 00:38:34,349
really what was being employed during

946
00:38:32,820 --> 00:38:37,170
the test or at least as far as we're

947
00:38:34,349 --> 00:38:38,730
concerned and he he he kept you know he

948
00:38:37,170 --> 00:38:40,720
kept making claims about seeing my hands

949
00:38:38,730 --> 00:38:41,920
aren't moving and yet the rods going off

950
00:38:40,719 --> 00:38:44,139
perspective and so we really had to

951
00:38:41,920 --> 00:38:46,659
explain to him the concept which he he

952
00:38:44,139 --> 00:38:47,920
hadn't realized was as subtle as it is

953
00:38:46,659 --> 00:38:49,839
as it actually is he was really

954
00:38:47,920 --> 00:38:51,670
expecting he was asking questions well

955
00:38:49,840 --> 00:38:53,650

yeah but if I if I don't know it's there

956

00:38:51,670 --> 00:38:55,300

then why why would I be reacting to it

957

00:38:53,650 --> 00:38:56,950

and you know one person pointed out well

958

00:38:55,300 --> 00:38:58,599

if you went by the first time and you've

959

00:38:56,949 --> 00:39:00,309

got a slight feel about it now you've

960

00:38:58,599 --> 00:39:02,380

convinced yourself that that box is the

961

00:39:00,309 --> 00:39:04,029

one so each time you go back you'll have

962

00:39:02,380 --> 00:39:06,190

that effect so we were explaining the

963

00:39:04,030 --> 00:39:07,570

elements of it but it was that's an

964

00:39:06,190 --> 00:39:08,829

example of one of the many types of

965

00:39:07,570 --> 00:39:10,930

tests we go through and it was certainly

966

00:39:08,829 --> 00:39:12,909

one of the more interesting ones so um

967

00:39:10,929 --> 00:39:15,039

he said he went from Arizona yeah he

968

00:39:12,909 --> 00:39:17,858

drove out here himself away from Kenny

969

00:39:15,039 --> 00:39:22,210

contacted you from all the way yes yes

970
00:39:17,858 --> 00:39:25,739
uh I guess not I not that I'm aware of

971
00:39:22,210 --> 00:39:28,929
the iig is branching out we we have

972
00:39:25,739 --> 00:39:31,118
affiliates now not only all over the

973
00:39:28,929 --> 00:39:33,519
United States we've got I think at least

974
00:39:31,119 --> 00:39:36,730
one in Canada and we have interest from

975
00:39:33,519 --> 00:39:39,460
other continents we've gotten people who

976
00:39:36,730 --> 00:39:41,289
are really hoping to possibly set up iig

977
00:39:39,460 --> 00:39:43,750
affiliates in completely different

978
00:39:41,289 --> 00:39:45,579
places a real surprises we've gotten

979
00:39:43,750 --> 00:39:49,179
some contact from Africa we've gotten

980
00:39:45,579 --> 00:39:50,559
some contact from Poland I'm trying to

981
00:39:49,179 --> 00:39:52,949
member off top my head but these places

982
00:39:50,559 --> 00:39:55,239
that would be really you'd be surprised

983
00:39:52,949 --> 00:39:56,469
although happily surprised to find out

984
00:39:55,239 --> 00:39:57,848
that yeah there are real there are

985
00:39:56,469 --> 00:39:59,500
skeptics everywhere and there's some

986
00:39:57,849 --> 00:40:01,059
places that sure as heck need them I

987
00:39:59,500 --> 00:40:03,789
mean it's bad enough here obviously in

988
00:40:01,059 --> 00:40:06,429
the u.s. you know we here in the US we

989
00:40:03,789 --> 00:40:08,679
hear about all the all the ass-kicking

990
00:40:06,429 --> 00:40:10,269
that Australia is doing but

991
00:40:08,679 --> 00:40:11,829
realistically there's some some

992
00:40:10,269 --> 00:40:13,329
countries that really need some help and

993
00:40:11,829 --> 00:40:15,880
it's nice to know that there are people

994
00:40:13,329 --> 00:40:18,789
there who are trying so I'm also tell me

995
00:40:15,880 --> 00:40:20,769
about um the odds must be crazy yes how

996
00:40:18,789 --> 00:40:22,719
long has that been going on like well

997
00:40:20,769 --> 00:40:24,309
the odds must be crazy is a project

998

00:40:22,719 --> 00:40:26,980
that's been in the works for a couple

999
00:40:24,309 --> 00:40:28,358
years now the basis of this one and I

1000
00:40:26,980 --> 00:40:29,530
definitely want to make sure this this

1001
00:40:28,358 --> 00:40:31,659
credits given out because really

1002
00:40:29,530 --> 00:40:34,390
deserved a member of our group Wendy

1003
00:40:31,659 --> 00:40:35,889
Hughes who's been part of the iig for if

1004
00:40:34,389 --> 00:40:38,170
not as long as it's been around then

1005
00:40:35,889 --> 00:40:42,219
nearly as long as we've been in in in

1006
00:40:38,170 --> 00:40:44,349
business so to speak she she got the

1007
00:40:42,219 --> 00:40:47,108
idea to start tracking stories about

1008
00:40:44,349 --> 00:40:48,789
coincidences basically just those those

1009
00:40:47,108 --> 00:40:50,259
too good to be true or too crazy to be

1010
00:40:48,789 --> 00:40:52,869
true kind of stories that everybody

1011
00:40:50,260 --> 00:40:54,190
experiences and she wanted to see you

1012
00:40:52,869 --> 00:40:54,400

know start collecting them see is there

1013

00:40:54,190 --> 00:40:56,079
some

1014

00:40:54,400 --> 00:40:58,690
thing here that maybe we're missing or

1015

00:40:56,079 --> 00:41:00,039
what can we learn from these and so it

1016

00:40:58,690 --> 00:41:03,220
was a group project to just try to

1017

00:41:00,039 --> 00:41:05,260
collect these stories my involvement was

1018

00:41:03,219 --> 00:41:07,000
I got the idea to actually convert it

1019

00:41:05,260 --> 00:41:09,789
into a public website instead of a

1020

00:41:07,000 --> 00:41:11,048
private project and actually start

1021

00:41:09,789 --> 00:41:13,119
collecting these stories from more than

1022

00:41:11,048 --> 00:41:16,028
just our group but from anyone reading

1023

00:41:13,119 --> 00:41:18,818
the site so the basic principle to

1024

00:41:16,028 --> 00:41:19,989
explain it is we collect exactly the

1025

00:41:18,818 --> 00:41:21,788
sort of stories I was talking about

1026

00:41:19,989 --> 00:41:23,558
everybody experiences things like

1027
00:41:21,789 --> 00:41:25,539
whether it's a dreaming about a

1028
00:41:23,559 --> 00:41:27,700
celebrity and then the next day you find

1029
00:41:25,539 --> 00:41:28,960
out they passed away or thinking about

1030
00:41:27,699 --> 00:41:30,338
someone on the phone rings and you

1031
00:41:28,960 --> 00:41:33,159
answer it and they're the ones calling

1032
00:41:30,338 --> 00:41:34,599
or running into a college buddy in a

1033
00:41:33,159 --> 00:41:37,179
completely different part of the world

1034
00:41:34,599 --> 00:41:38,798
and being surprised by it or some even

1035
00:41:37,179 --> 00:41:40,989
much cooler stories that we start to

1036
00:41:38,798 --> 00:41:44,409
pick up on that have surprised us but

1037
00:41:40,989 --> 00:41:46,118
the idea is to show these stories share

1038
00:41:44,409 --> 00:41:47,769
them celebrate them we're not trying to

1039
00:41:46,119 --> 00:41:49,750
put them down and say oh this isn't that

1040
00:41:47,769 --> 00:41:51,788
interesting a story it you know it it

1041
00:41:49,750 --> 00:41:54,369
could happen anyone know it's very cool

1042
00:41:51,789 --> 00:41:55,930
these these stories amaze all of us no

1043
00:41:54,369 --> 00:41:58,450
matter what we know about them already

1044
00:41:55,929 --> 00:42:00,000
but it's to share them so Wendy and I

1045
00:41:58,449 --> 00:42:02,108
worked really hard on this project

1046
00:42:00,000 --> 00:42:05,528
developing a plan for the website

1047
00:42:02,108 --> 00:42:07,000
developing our business model so to

1048
00:42:05,528 --> 00:42:08,858
speak even though there's no money in

1049
00:42:07,000 --> 00:42:11,260
this whatsoever and that's not the goal

1050
00:42:08,858 --> 00:42:15,009
it's just for fun and it's it's an

1051
00:42:11,260 --> 00:42:16,809
opportunity well yes well and that's the

1052
00:42:15,010 --> 00:42:19,299
idea is we want the site to appeal to

1053
00:42:16,809 --> 00:42:21,130
everyone this is not an overtly

1054
00:42:19,298 --> 00:42:24,548
skeptical site or at least that was the

1055

00:42:21,130 --> 00:42:26,680
plan is it's a site to share fun stories

1056
00:42:24,548 --> 00:42:29,619
and then occasionally we're going to

1057
00:42:26,679 --> 00:42:32,259
inject editorials that will teach people

1058
00:42:29,619 --> 00:42:33,700
as well about what's going on beyond it

1059
00:42:32,260 --> 00:42:36,069
so whether it's an editorial comment

1060
00:42:33,699 --> 00:42:38,139
under the story that mentions some of

1061
00:42:36,068 --> 00:42:40,108
the aspects of it that would explain it

1062
00:42:38,139 --> 00:42:42,699
we're going to try to start injecting

1063
00:42:40,108 --> 00:42:45,880
injecting some statistics into the

1064
00:42:42,699 --> 00:42:48,429
stories and just expanding out so that

1065
00:42:45,880 --> 00:42:50,289
people will hopefully learn but at the

1066
00:42:48,429 --> 00:42:52,239
very least if they don't learn they're

1067
00:42:50,289 --> 00:42:54,190
just going to be entertained and we make

1068
00:42:52,239 --> 00:42:56,528
it easy to share the stories on various

1069
00:42:54,190 --> 00:42:58,539

social websites so you can easily click

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00:42:56,528 --> 00:43:00,730

a button to instantly tweet it or like

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00:42:58,539 --> 00:43:02,890

it on Facebook or +1 and on google or

1072

00:43:00,730 --> 00:43:04,599

things like that I think it's really

1073

00:43:02,889 --> 00:43:05,989

valuable these days because people live

1074

00:43:04,599 --> 00:43:08,869

on social network

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00:43:05,989 --> 00:43:11,269

and so it's an and honestly a large

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00:43:08,869 --> 00:43:13,130

percentage of our hits so far come from

1077

00:43:11,269 --> 00:43:14,780

social network so people are clearly

1078

00:43:13,130 --> 00:43:17,030

sharing stories on there and we've got

1079

00:43:14,780 --> 00:43:18,740

assuming people are check the box that

1080

00:43:17,030 --> 00:43:20,600

says they allow it we've got people's

1081

00:43:18,739 --> 00:43:22,239

actual names on the story so they can

1082

00:43:20,599 --> 00:43:25,849

feel a personal connection to the story

1083

00:43:22,239 --> 00:43:27,079

so that's that's important and and we're

1084
00:43:25,849 --> 00:43:28,789
expanding I mean we've been getting

1085
00:43:27,079 --> 00:43:30,710
stories from people in the skeptical

1086
00:43:28,789 --> 00:43:32,480
community George Rob mentioned us

1087
00:43:30,710 --> 00:43:34,130
recently on the podcast because someone

1088
00:43:32,480 --> 00:43:35,990
had actually mentioned him in a story

1089
00:43:34,130 --> 00:43:37,970
and he got a kick out of that and I

1090
00:43:35,989 --> 00:43:40,039
loved it because he really spent some

1091
00:43:37,969 --> 00:43:43,039
time on his podcast talking specifically

1092
00:43:40,039 --> 00:43:44,869
about exactly what we're about from his

1093
00:43:43,039 --> 00:43:45,980
own perspective he told a story of

1094
00:43:44,869 --> 00:43:47,480
something that happened to him that I

1095
00:43:45,980 --> 00:43:49,610
just I loved and it was a great example

1096
00:43:47,480 --> 00:43:52,460
of something that was a really eerie

1097
00:43:49,610 --> 00:43:54,590
freaky coincidence and more importantly

1098
00:43:52,460 --> 00:43:56,210
as he pointed out it had no meaning it

1099
00:43:54,590 --> 00:43:57,650
didn't it didn't lead to anything it

1100
00:43:56,210 --> 00:44:00,500
didn't cause anything there wasn't

1101
00:43:57,650 --> 00:44:02,840
anything about his story that he could

1102
00:44:00,500 --> 00:44:04,670
learn from but if that could be

1103
00:44:02,840 --> 00:44:06,320
something that freakish can happen that

1104
00:44:04,670 --> 00:44:07,639
has no meaning then odds are

1105
00:44:06,320 --> 00:44:09,050
occasionally someone's going to have

1106
00:44:07,639 --> 00:44:10,879
something that freakish that to them

1107
00:44:09,050 --> 00:44:12,470
does have a meaning and they'll apply

1108
00:44:10,880 --> 00:44:15,430
that to their lives and really think

1109
00:44:12,469 --> 00:44:18,409
it's a sign from something or you know

1110
00:44:15,429 --> 00:44:20,239
fate or whatever you'll call it so it's

1111
00:44:18,409 --> 00:44:21,829
easy to understand why people people put

1112

00:44:20,239 --> 00:44:23,629
so much power behind these things so i

1113
00:44:21,829 --> 00:44:25,069
really liked what he wrote and i got his

1114
00:44:23,630 --> 00:44:27,940
permission and it's been transcribed and

1115
00:44:25,070 --> 00:44:29,809
put up on our website as an editorial so

1116
00:44:27,940 --> 00:44:31,760
aside from him we've had some

1117
00:44:29,809 --> 00:44:33,940
interesting guest writers yes yes we

1118
00:44:31,760 --> 00:44:36,619
just put up a story from from barry car

1119
00:44:33,940 --> 00:44:38,690
barbara dresser is involved in a site

1120
00:44:36,619 --> 00:44:40,100
she's written at least one editorial now

1121
00:44:38,690 --> 00:44:41,900
she's got more she's gonna be working on

1122
00:44:40,099 --> 00:44:45,019
and she's me doing some statistics work

1123
00:44:41,900 --> 00:44:47,000
for us who else has that we've got a few

1124
00:44:45,019 --> 00:44:48,710
on the back burner from from a few names

1125
00:44:47,000 --> 00:44:50,510
in the community so I you know I'll day

1126
00:44:48,710 --> 00:44:52,579

be as those DB you will see they

1127

00:44:50,510 --> 00:44:54,410

absolutely right and we've got we've got

1128

00:44:52,579 --> 00:44:56,449

exciting news coming up that I will not

1129

00:44:54,409 --> 00:44:58,368

I will not give up I will not give out

1130

00:44:56,449 --> 00:45:00,199

yet we will be making a different kind

1131

00:44:58,369 --> 00:45:02,390

of premier for the odds must be crazy

1132

00:45:00,199 --> 00:45:04,608

soon that will hopefully put us on the

1133

00:45:02,389 --> 00:45:06,409

radar for a lot more people nice you

1134

00:45:04,608 --> 00:45:08,119

know so that's a good project yeah Wendy

1135

00:45:06,409 --> 00:45:10,059

and I worked very hard on it she is

1136

00:45:08,119 --> 00:45:11,600

constantly working in the background

1137

00:45:10,059 --> 00:45:14,090

communicating with people getting

1138

00:45:11,599 --> 00:45:15,769

stories uploaded she's doing all of the

1139

00:45:14,090 --> 00:45:18,050

I guess you could call it the

1140

00:45:15,769 --> 00:45:19,670

administrative work where they personal

1141
00:45:18,050 --> 00:45:20,750
work really communicating

1142
00:45:19,670 --> 00:45:23,059
people and making sure that that

1143
00:45:20,750 --> 00:45:24,619
personal touch is there and then now as

1144
00:45:23,059 --> 00:45:26,869
the geek i am i'm doing the technical

1145
00:45:24,619 --> 00:45:28,490
stuff and we've got a few other people

1146
00:45:26,869 --> 00:45:31,309
within the iig helping us out we've got

1147
00:45:28,489 --> 00:45:32,989
Susan garba coo is really great with her

1148
00:45:31,309 --> 00:45:36,640
guerrilla skepticism on Wikipedia

1149
00:45:32,989 --> 00:45:38,659
concept that's huge for the iig and

1150
00:45:36,639 --> 00:45:40,400
skepticism in general and she's been a

1151
00:45:38,659 --> 00:45:42,230
great cheerleader for us constantly

1152
00:45:40,400 --> 00:45:44,329
tweeting and facebooking our stuff and

1153
00:45:42,230 --> 00:45:46,068
and contacting people about it and just

1154
00:45:44,329 --> 00:45:47,690
in general we've got several team

1155
00:45:46,068 --> 00:45:50,150
members who write a lot of stories Brian

1156
00:45:47,690 --> 00:45:53,170
heart from the iig is probably the

1157
00:45:50,150 --> 00:45:55,818
single largest submitter to our site

1158
00:45:53,170 --> 00:45:57,380
marc-edouard marquette oh yes mark

1159
00:45:55,818 --> 00:45:59,058
edward has written a couple editorials

1160
00:45:57,380 --> 00:46:02,780
for us now absolutely and he talked

1161
00:45:59,059 --> 00:46:05,869
about us on his blog on on skeptics blog

1162
00:46:02,780 --> 00:46:07,369
and another member of our team of the

1163
00:46:05,869 --> 00:46:08,450
steering committee Spencer marks has

1164
00:46:07,369 --> 00:46:10,010
written something probably the most of

1165
00:46:08,449 --> 00:46:12,739
the most entertaining stories we've got

1166
00:46:10,010 --> 00:46:14,720
up there so we've got our own team is

1167
00:46:12,739 --> 00:46:17,328
really regularly contributing but we

1168
00:46:14,719 --> 00:46:19,039
have broken out well past not past our

1169

00:46:17,329 --> 00:46:20,568
own community to even pass the skeptical

1170
00:46:19,039 --> 00:46:22,909
community we are getting submissions for

1171
00:46:20,568 --> 00:46:24,858
people great to have people outside

1172
00:46:22,909 --> 00:46:26,269
because you don't yes it look like no

1173
00:46:24,858 --> 00:46:28,699
this is not a preaching to the choir

1174
00:46:26,269 --> 00:46:30,259
such psychological inbreeding correct

1175
00:46:28,699 --> 00:46:32,480
correct this is not preaching the choir

1176
00:46:30,260 --> 00:46:33,890
this is meant to reach out well past our

1177
00:46:32,480 --> 00:46:36,588
community and we are getting regular

1178
00:46:33,889 --> 00:46:38,598
hits from people who clearly are finding

1179
00:46:36,588 --> 00:46:40,548
we're finding our links to our site on

1180
00:46:38,599 --> 00:46:43,400
sites that have nothing to skepticism

1181
00:46:40,548 --> 00:46:44,659
now we're finding stories submitted to

1182
00:46:43,400 --> 00:46:46,789
us from people who clearly are not

1183
00:46:44,659 --> 00:46:48,980

connected comments from people who found

1184

00:46:46,789 --> 00:46:50,719

us through crazy search terms i mean

1185

00:46:48,980 --> 00:46:52,730

we're getting hits on various things

1186

00:46:50,719 --> 00:46:54,618

that are are not related at all and

1187

00:46:52,730 --> 00:46:56,809

that's the point is we wanted to reach

1188

00:46:54,619 --> 00:46:58,280

out to people who would otherwise not

1189

00:46:56,809 --> 00:47:00,680

purposefully put themselves in our

1190

00:46:58,280 --> 00:47:02,240

enemies so important because you could

1191

00:47:00,679 --> 00:47:03,949

really help some people who are like

1192

00:47:02,239 --> 00:47:05,358

this crazy coincidence happen and I

1193

00:47:03,949 --> 00:47:08,328

don't know what to make of it right

1194

00:47:05,358 --> 00:47:09,980

right and and they're safe things like

1195

00:47:08,329 --> 00:47:11,269

that yeah absolutely so it just it's

1196

00:47:09,980 --> 00:47:12,889

entertaining and we're finding patterns

1197

00:47:11,269 --> 00:47:14,150

in them now that we're going to we're

1198
00:47:12,889 --> 00:47:16,039
going start building off of the patterns

1199
00:47:14,150 --> 00:47:17,298
and seeing what we've what we can learn

1200
00:47:16,039 --> 00:47:19,068
from them but we're finding a lot of

1201
00:47:17,298 --> 00:47:20,929
stories of very similar types of events

1202
00:47:19,068 --> 00:47:23,150
and that's kind of interesting but

1203
00:47:20,929 --> 00:47:25,039
absolutely we don't want to we don't

1204
00:47:23,150 --> 00:47:26,960
want to ruin the fun for people we're

1205
00:47:25,039 --> 00:47:29,179
not here to set out and say your story

1206
00:47:26,960 --> 00:47:31,309
isn't interesting it's it is very

1207
00:47:29,179 --> 00:47:31,960
interesting regardless of whether it

1208
00:47:31,309 --> 00:47:35,170
means

1209
00:47:31,960 --> 00:47:38,079
something more it it can be fun just on

1210
00:47:35,170 --> 00:47:41,010
its own oh yeah it's great thank you for

1211
00:47:38,079 --> 00:47:41,009
telling me all about that

1212
00:47:48,880 --> 00:47:53,390
I'm Eugenie Scott executive director of

1213
00:47:52,070 --> 00:47:56,390
the National Center for Science

1214
00:47:53,389 --> 00:47:58,190
Education in Oakland California we

1215
00:47:56,389 --> 00:48:00,019
defend and support the teaching of

1216
00:47:58,190 --> 00:48:01,880
evolution and climate change when it

1217
00:48:00,019 --> 00:48:04,009
comes under attack for religious and

1218
00:48:01,880 --> 00:48:06,440
political reasons we help teachers

1219
00:48:04,010 --> 00:48:09,080
parents school boards and other citizens

1220
00:48:06,440 --> 00:48:12,619
defend good science in the schools come

1221
00:48:09,079 --> 00:48:15,199
visit us at NCSE calm and on youtube and

1222
00:48:12,619 --> 00:48:17,000
facebook and let us know if science

1223
00:48:15,199 --> 00:48:20,439
comes under attack in your community

1224
00:48:17,000 --> 00:48:20,440
we're here to help

1225
00:48:35,739 --> 00:48:40,219
well it's hard to believe it really is

1226

00:48:38,088 --> 00:48:42,349
that QED has just entered the last

1227
00:48:40,219 --> 00:48:44,750
session with joe nickell followed by

1228
00:48:42,349 --> 00:48:47,150
lots of warm speeches by the organizers

1229
00:48:44,750 --> 00:48:50,239
but how lucky am I listeners and I

1230
00:48:47,150 --> 00:48:52,460
finally get to meet Kristen Carson from

1231
00:48:50,239 --> 00:48:56,179
the norwegian skeptics hi hey you are

1232
00:48:52,460 --> 00:48:58,970
lucky aren't you yeah I like a secure

1233
00:48:56,179 --> 00:49:00,649
voice I am very lucky of course to meet

1234
00:48:58,969 --> 00:49:03,230
you I because we've been corresponding

1235
00:49:00,650 --> 00:49:05,980
for a long time we have well it's been

1236
00:49:03,230 --> 00:49:08,929
it seems like a long time oh yeah I mean

1237
00:49:05,980 --> 00:49:12,440
when was that interview I had with you

1238
00:49:08,929 --> 00:49:15,618
that was it when did you do the 10 23 I

1239
00:49:12,440 --> 00:49:18,710
did in February of yeah pepper have lost

1240
00:49:15,619 --> 00:49:20,809

last year 2011 I think it was another

1241
00:49:18,710 --> 00:49:24,048
route yeah only only that roof because

1242
00:49:20,809 --> 00:49:26,059
that was the last QED ok that was like

1243
00:49:24,048 --> 00:49:28,778
it seemed like a long time because I saw

1244
00:49:26,059 --> 00:49:32,240
you on a video you they were in Oslo

1245
00:49:28,778 --> 00:49:34,400
overdosing on homeopathic medicine I

1246
00:49:32,239 --> 00:49:35,989
thought as she someone I want to

1247
00:49:34,400 --> 00:49:37,759
interview look at her she's fronting the

1248
00:49:35,989 --> 00:49:40,098
camera she's getting out there and she's

1249
00:49:37,759 --> 00:49:43,309
leading the people in this overdose and

1250
00:49:40,099 --> 00:49:46,009
I contacted you I can't remember how I

1251
00:49:43,309 --> 00:49:47,269
wrote some something or other and we got

1252
00:49:46,009 --> 00:49:50,298
in touch and then I interviewed you yeah

1253
00:49:47,268 --> 00:49:52,659
that's right yeah no I and I don't know

1254
00:49:50,298 --> 00:49:54,679
if you could see the panic in my face

1255
00:49:52,659 --> 00:49:56,598
during that video because I knew that

1256
00:49:54,679 --> 00:49:58,608
there would be put up on YouTube and

1257
00:49:56,599 --> 00:50:00,410
stuff like that for now but yeah it was

1258
00:49:58,608 --> 00:50:01,940
it was a that was a lot of fun i said

1259
00:50:00,409 --> 00:50:03,318
that last time as well mmm you're

1260
00:50:01,940 --> 00:50:05,450
looking different now because on that

1261
00:50:03,318 --> 00:50:08,509
video you're dressed up for the cold

1262
00:50:05,449 --> 00:50:10,939
just off the coldest februari a bit

1263
00:50:08,509 --> 00:50:13,068
milder here in Manchester haha very nice

1264
00:50:10,940 --> 00:50:17,179
really nice it's just been a great

1265
00:50:13,068 --> 00:50:21,440
weekend customer it has there's been a

1266
00:50:17,179 --> 00:50:24,618
while since I was a mai-mai usually

1267
00:50:21,440 --> 00:50:27,528
needed nerd conference so that was that

1268
00:50:24,619 --> 00:50:30,380
was a relief to finally go and cut you a

1269
00:50:27,528 --> 00:50:33,739
class yourself as a nerd well I have to

1270
00:50:30,380 --> 00:50:34,410
I mean and no no I'm cheering for the

1271
00:50:33,739 --> 00:50:37,949
Nerds

1272
00:50:34,409 --> 00:50:41,639
yeah why not yeah like I like the signs

1273
00:50:37,949 --> 00:50:44,909
and I like the the skeptics and I like

1274
00:50:41,639 --> 00:50:47,009
the other themes they discuss I can't

1275
00:50:44,909 --> 00:50:48,509
really choose choose a favorite subject

1276
00:50:47,010 --> 00:50:50,910
is well that's that's one of the things

1277
00:50:48,510 --> 00:50:52,980
I love about conferences like like this

1278
00:50:50,909 --> 00:50:54,868
one which I'm so impressed by this

1279
00:50:52,980 --> 00:50:58,289
conference it's been really really

1280
00:50:54,869 --> 00:51:00,720
really good and add tam of course and

1281
00:50:58,289 --> 00:51:02,700
things like that is the variety yes

1282
00:51:00,719 --> 00:51:05,038
there's all sorts of topics and issues

1283

00:51:02,699 --> 00:51:07,739
being covered yeah i mean i was i was

1284
00:51:05,039 --> 00:51:09,240
just finished you know yesterday there

1285
00:51:07,739 --> 00:51:13,409
was a couple really interesting panels

1286
00:51:09,239 --> 00:51:16,709
on you know activism outreach and also

1287
00:51:13,409 --> 00:51:18,509
panel cryptozoology and I've seen a talk

1288
00:51:16,710 --> 00:51:21,380
about UFOs and it seemed talk about you

1289
00:51:18,510 --> 00:51:24,450
first lived also as we and then suddenly

1290
00:51:21,380 --> 00:51:28,108
the fantastic Miriam namazi comes up and

1291
00:51:24,449 --> 00:51:30,088
talks about you know secularism to fight

1292
00:51:28,108 --> 00:51:32,190
organized religion and it was just so

1293
00:51:30,088 --> 00:51:36,119
moving I couldn't can believe some of

1294
00:51:32,190 --> 00:51:39,929
the things I heard yeah well I was you

1295
00:51:36,119 --> 00:51:42,269
are up in the in the privileged area VIP

1296
00:51:39,929 --> 00:51:45,328
area I got I got an invitation from a

1297
00:51:42,269 --> 00:51:48,239

mysterious figure in the hallway there

1298

00:51:45,329 --> 00:51:51,869

and when that wonderful talk about UFOs

1299

00:51:48,239 --> 00:51:53,548

was was on and I you know I i still find

1300

00:51:51,869 --> 00:51:55,789

that really interesting all that UFO

1301

00:51:53,548 --> 00:52:01,829

stuff and it was such a good talk I

1302

00:51:55,789 --> 00:52:05,400

remember only slightly when I was bit

1303

00:52:01,829 --> 00:52:07,950

from late childhood too early teenagers

1304

00:52:05,400 --> 00:52:08,969

I was completely fascinated by the UFO

1305

00:52:07,949 --> 00:52:11,129

stuff because I've always been

1306

00:52:08,969 --> 00:52:14,458

interested in space and his mommy that's

1307

00:52:11,130 --> 00:52:16,829

why I studied astronomy and and if I was

1308

00:52:14,458 --> 00:52:18,509

a really big UFO fan as well I can

1309

00:52:16,829 --> 00:52:22,140

really think critically about it back

1310

00:52:18,509 --> 00:52:24,539

then and I ripped taping all the UFO

1311

00:52:22,139 --> 00:52:26,338

documentaries yes yes listen to all the

1312
00:52:24,539 --> 00:52:29,369
testimonies of people who worked at area

1313
00:52:26,338 --> 00:52:31,199
51 I was like I just thought you know I

1314
00:52:29,369 --> 00:52:32,430
was a naive kid and I thought I mean

1315
00:52:31,199 --> 00:52:34,259
these are grown-up people on television

1316
00:52:32,429 --> 00:52:36,868
they they didn't they can't lie about

1317
00:52:34,259 --> 00:52:39,478
what they say but after a while I

1318
00:52:36,869 --> 00:52:41,369
learned that they actually can well at

1319
00:52:39,478 --> 00:52:42,899
least be diluted about idea so it's not

1320
00:52:41,369 --> 00:52:45,059
really the best way to put it he

1321
00:52:42,900 --> 00:52:48,450
delusional make mistakes yeah so it's

1322
00:52:45,059 --> 00:52:52,739
really interesting to slowly learn about

1323
00:52:48,449 --> 00:52:54,598
that process is that what what sparked

1324
00:52:52,739 --> 00:52:56,130
your interest generally in skepticism do

1325
00:52:54,599 --> 00:52:59,700
you think something like that yeah it

1326
00:52:56,130 --> 00:53:01,200
has to be I think the fact that i'm

1327
00:52:59,699 --> 00:53:04,199
always been interested in astronomy is

1328
00:53:01,199 --> 00:53:06,268
what made me be more rational because

1329
00:53:04,199 --> 00:53:10,108
that led me out to the University where

1330
00:53:06,268 --> 00:53:11,728
I took some you know you have some

1331
00:53:10,108 --> 00:53:13,619
preparing studies media and philosophy

1332
00:53:11,728 --> 00:53:15,058
and all that and me suddenly I learned

1333
00:53:13,619 --> 00:53:17,278
about the difference between science and

1334
00:53:15,059 --> 00:53:21,059
pseudoscience you know I no one has told

1335
00:53:17,278 --> 00:53:23,400
me that before so I was a yeah I

1336
00:53:21,059 --> 00:53:26,069
couldn't blame myself a bit because i

1337
00:53:23,400 --> 00:53:28,108
was a bit lazy and when i was when i was

1338
00:53:26,068 --> 00:53:31,588
younger but I'm fun I've caught up now

1339
00:53:28,108 --> 00:53:33,239
how did how did you meet with merit

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00:53:31,588 --> 00:53:35,190
because you two seem to be the face of

1341
00:53:33,239 --> 00:53:41,389
Norwegian skepticism on earth yeah

1342
00:53:35,190 --> 00:53:46,858
combined face mart cool yes we didn't

1343
00:53:41,389 --> 00:53:48,298
meet until a while after the the other

1344
00:53:46,858 --> 00:53:51,538
conference which was held in london the

1345
00:53:48,298 --> 00:53:53,670
tan London in 2009 so far so you haven't

1346
00:53:51,539 --> 00:53:57,900
known each other that long yeah no I

1347
00:53:53,670 --> 00:54:01,108
mean she she was studying biology same

1348
00:53:57,900 --> 00:54:03,389
university as me and we were both of

1349
00:54:01,108 --> 00:54:06,389
that conference but I I never got the

1350
00:54:03,389 --> 00:54:08,429
chance to to talk to her then so I

1351
00:54:06,389 --> 00:54:09,599
remember seeing her and all the

1352
00:54:08,429 --> 00:54:12,239
Norwegians

1353
00:54:09,599 --> 00:54:14,309
that conference but it was it was just

1354
00:54:12,239 --> 00:54:16,789

after that conference where we were

1355

00:54:14,309 --> 00:54:20,789
discussing on the skeptics forum

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00:54:16,789 --> 00:54:23,130
discussion for him I know I where she

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00:54:20,789 --> 00:54:25,829
and a couple of other people one really

1358

00:54:23,130 --> 00:54:28,260
really wanted to start a conference like

1359

00:54:25,829 --> 00:54:32,849
that in in Norway and then particularly

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00:54:28,260 --> 00:54:35,610
in Oslo and I was just so incredibly

1361

00:54:32,849 --> 00:54:37,409
motivated after Tim London Jesus nice I

1362

00:54:35,610 --> 00:54:38,970
just but I had up in the air frantically

1363

00:54:37,409 --> 00:54:40,889
and said I have no idea what I can do

1364

00:54:38,969 --> 00:54:44,339
but I rule I will join you guys who will

1365

00:54:40,889 --> 00:54:46,319
join us so after that I just got to know

1366

00:54:44,340 --> 00:54:48,720
them better and go to a couple of

1367

00:54:46,320 --> 00:54:52,230
skeptics in the pub meetings and yeah

1368

00:54:48,719 --> 00:54:54,419
and quest is this rate it would be

1369
00:54:52,230 --> 00:54:56,699
really nice to see you at Taman las

1370
00:54:54,420 --> 00:54:59,400
vegas at something yeah some stage i

1371
00:54:56,699 --> 00:55:04,559
will get to town in Vegas across this

1372
00:54:59,400 --> 00:55:06,360
last year I was wasn't I wasn't that

1373
00:55:04,559 --> 00:55:08,420
many mini conference by way of I

1374
00:55:06,360 --> 00:55:10,320
couldn't make it to Vegas then and

1375
00:55:08,420 --> 00:55:13,289
unfortunately I won't be able to get

1376
00:55:10,320 --> 00:55:16,289
there this year either because i am

1377
00:55:13,289 --> 00:55:19,170
going to place you might know australia

1378
00:55:16,289 --> 00:55:21,750
in south huh yeah just a week and a half

1379
00:55:19,170 --> 00:55:24,500
from now yeah this is probably all i

1380
00:55:21,750 --> 00:55:26,760
think about it's going to be fantastic

1381
00:55:24,500 --> 00:55:30,090
so yeah i'm basically using up all my

1382
00:55:26,760 --> 00:55:32,490
money and vacation time Olivia if you

1383
00:55:30,090 --> 00:55:33,990
had to go somewhere other than the

1384
00:55:32,489 --> 00:55:37,979
amazing meeting in las vegas i guess

1385
00:55:33,989 --> 00:55:41,009
Australia's economy I actually I did

1386
00:55:37,980 --> 00:55:42,809
notice that the last weekend that I'm in

1387
00:55:41,010 --> 00:55:44,850
in in Australia in Melbourne actually

1388
00:55:42,809 --> 00:55:48,210
there's there's an atheist conference

1389
00:55:44,849 --> 00:55:51,329
yes I am yeah and so yeah I'm going to

1390
00:55:48,210 --> 00:55:54,750
that as well so looking forward to that

1391
00:55:51,329 --> 00:55:56,309
it should be really exciting the the

1392
00:55:54,750 --> 00:55:58,170
four horsemen it was supposed to be

1393
00:55:56,309 --> 00:56:00,659
there because the Hitchens can't be

1394
00:55:58,170 --> 00:56:02,490
there but yeah the rest that will

1395
00:56:00,659 --> 00:56:04,710
obviously tend and lots of other

1396
00:56:02,489 --> 00:56:06,869
interesting people now can you envisage

1397

00:56:04,710 --> 00:56:08,429
at some stage in the future and the

1398
00:56:06,869 --> 00:56:10,859
answer has to be yes there's going to be

1399
00:56:08,429 --> 00:56:13,049
a big skeptical convention in Norway

1400
00:56:10,860 --> 00:56:14,460
we're speakers from all around the world

1401
00:56:13,050 --> 00:56:16,260
because you've already had James Randi

1402
00:56:14,460 --> 00:56:16,849
day and that was a big success yeah that

1403
00:56:16,260 --> 00:56:18,528
was the

1404
00:56:16,849 --> 00:56:21,019
that was the heat and Norwegian humanist

1405
00:56:18,528 --> 00:56:23,659
association great campaign on critical

1406
00:56:21,018 --> 00:56:26,929
thinking from started in beginning of

1407
00:56:23,659 --> 00:56:30,409
2011 as well which I chaired a long

1408
00:56:26,929 --> 00:56:32,748
massively and that was just a huge

1409
00:56:30,409 --> 00:56:36,379
success because he had like a small tour

1410
00:56:32,748 --> 00:56:41,478
of the of Norway and he just filled up

1411
00:56:36,380 --> 00:56:43,970

I'm saying video it's available I if

1412
00:56:41,478 --> 00:56:46,879
it's YouTube or another service but it's

1413
00:56:43,969 --> 00:56:50,209
not hard to find yes you just google it

1414
00:56:46,880 --> 00:56:51,710
and will come up and yeah we would it we

1415
00:56:50,210 --> 00:56:53,749
did get them to come to the skeptics in

1416
00:56:51,710 --> 00:56:57,338
the pub in Oslo and we just we just took

1417
00:56:53,748 --> 00:57:00,348
over the entire cafe when we we were and

1418
00:56:57,338 --> 00:57:02,778
got to interview and for for my podcast

1419
00:57:00,349 --> 00:57:06,048
as well so that was that was fantastic

1420
00:57:02,778 --> 00:57:08,690
and i love that initiative by the

1421
00:57:06,048 --> 00:57:09,978
humanists like campaign on critical

1422
00:57:08,690 --> 00:57:12,259
thinking is it's been quite

1423
00:57:09,978 --> 00:57:14,778
controversial actually it was a lot of

1424
00:57:12,259 --> 00:57:17,539
flak from the the alternative movement

1425
00:57:14,778 --> 00:57:20,088
because I mean the humanist association

1426
00:57:17,539 --> 00:57:23,420
is what BEC you know and i will vocal

1427
00:57:20,088 --> 00:57:25,219
and and people know about them so that

1428
00:57:23,420 --> 00:57:26,829
means the those people will also know

1429
00:57:25,219 --> 00:57:30,548
about them and they've got lots of

1430
00:57:26,829 --> 00:57:34,489
counter campaigns and you know a bit of

1431
00:57:30,548 --> 00:57:36,139
accuse everyone of bullying and stuff

1432
00:57:34,489 --> 00:57:38,509
like that so this is very interesting to

1433
00:57:36,139 --> 00:57:40,038
follow oh yeah yeah now here's some

1434
00:57:38,509 --> 00:57:44,449
advice for listeners around the world

1435
00:57:40,039 --> 00:57:45,739
run to your DVD library your DVD rental

1436
00:57:44,449 --> 00:57:48,679
library and look for a movie called

1437
00:57:45,739 --> 00:57:51,409
troll hunter it's such fun I heard you

1438
00:57:48,679 --> 00:57:55,009
liked it I love that movie it's a great

1439
00:57:51,409 --> 00:57:56,929
popcorn film yes yeah it's a kind of a

1440
00:57:55,009 --> 00:57:59,269
mockumentary I guess you would call it

1441
00:57:56,929 --> 00:58:01,669
it's like one of those found footage

1442
00:57:59,268 --> 00:58:03,768
mockumentaries where this film was

1443
00:58:01,670 --> 00:58:05,809
discovered yeah you know all the people

1444
00:58:03,768 --> 00:58:08,689
are probably dead by now and then yeah

1445
00:58:05,809 --> 00:58:11,028
so say no more its factor also controls

1446
00:58:08,690 --> 00:58:13,269
in about hunting yes troll yeah yeah

1447
00:58:11,028 --> 00:58:15,920
that's no agent film of course obviously

1448
00:58:13,268 --> 00:58:17,959
my Richard mentions that I didn't I did

1449
00:58:15,920 --> 00:58:21,798
and I don't think I've seen many region

1450
00:58:17,960 --> 00:58:22,990
from no in fact that one is in Norwegian

1451
00:58:21,798 --> 00:58:26,380
too yes

1452
00:58:22,989 --> 00:58:28,239
yeah yeah I'm subtitles were fine I

1453
00:58:26,380 --> 00:58:30,760
guess I me but you do miss a syllable

1454

00:58:28,239 --> 00:58:33,819
some jokes I guess which of Norwegians

1455
00:58:30,760 --> 00:58:36,940
there are some specific in jokes and and

1456
00:58:33,820 --> 00:58:40,570
and things pertaining to the folklore I

1457
00:58:36,940 --> 00:58:42,760
guess around trolls but I mean a couple

1458
00:58:40,570 --> 00:58:45,130
of points are pretty / explained in the

1459
00:58:42,760 --> 00:58:48,040
film think so it's all good it should be

1460
00:58:45,130 --> 00:58:50,530
all get there ah well I've come a long

1461
00:58:48,039 --> 00:58:52,929
way to Manchester but you know what it's

1462
00:58:50,530 --> 00:58:55,210
not that much further to Oslo maybe

1463
00:58:52,929 --> 00:58:56,679
maybe I can put my mind to getting over

1464
00:58:55,210 --> 00:58:58,900
there that is a very good point but

1465
00:58:56,679 --> 00:59:01,480
sometimes I think you should think about

1466
00:58:58,900 --> 00:59:03,760
it really well on it I will you are very

1467
00:59:01,480 --> 00:59:06,460
welcome oh and it also it would love too

1468
00:59:03,760 --> 00:59:10,660

heavy one day yeah I'm yes let's do it

1469

00:59:06,460 --> 00:59:13,809

next year yeah yeah I mean get on foot

1470

00:59:10,659 --> 00:59:16,559

it oh sure Kristen thank you very much

1471

00:59:13,809 --> 00:59:16,559

thank you

1472

00:59:26,130 --> 00:59:33,210

I am audit by Kristen Aviva tips that I

1473

00:59:31,768 --> 00:59:35,548

some lotion lifted up the skeptic zone

1474

00:59:33,210 --> 00:59:37,528

I'm skeptical million Nadia the VINs not

1475

00:59:35,548 --> 00:59:39,389

a blog gear or Petrov a podcast of

1476

00:59:37,528 --> 00:59:42,059

reading and skip sistema Schlichten this

1477

00:59:39,389 --> 00:59:43,409

drama central i'll skip crystal demo or

1478

00:59:42,059 --> 00:59:45,509

higher publicize the tapes corner

1479

00:59:43,409 --> 00:59:47,098

Chiclets and calendar / activator or

1480

00:59:45,509 --> 00:59:48,210

link it in detail association escapes

1481

00:59:47,099 --> 00:59:50,039

his blog in opportunity I'm Leigh

1482

00:59:48,210 --> 00:59:51,929

autodesk ateres hefty performance so

1483
00:59:50,039 --> 00:59:54,680
stick in them or delta do Lhasa escapes

1484
00:59:51,929 --> 00:59:54,679
is dots hello

1485
01:00:08,188 --> 01:00:15,338
thank you for listening to the skeptic

1486
01:00:11,048 --> 01:00:18,880
Zone episode number 179 good heavens

1487
01:00:15,338 --> 01:00:23,199
nearly 180 and a bit later down the year

1488
01:00:18,880 --> 01:00:26,140
will be episode 200 Wow but let's not

1489
01:00:23,199 --> 01:00:27,400
get ahead of ourselves coming up soon

1490
01:00:26,139 --> 01:00:31,568
I'm going to be offering some more

1491
01:00:27,400 --> 01:00:33,900
Maynard merchandise for bid on eBay and

1492
01:00:31,568 --> 01:00:36,838
another you just roll it out here

1493
01:00:33,900 --> 01:00:40,660
another one of these fantastic posters

1494
01:00:36,838 --> 01:00:42,578
from the center for inquiry signed by

1495
01:00:40,659 --> 01:00:44,798
all sorts of people including Brian

1496
01:00:42,579 --> 01:00:47,739
Dunning Phil Plait Maynard himself

1497
01:00:44,798 --> 01:00:53,170
Jeremy Cole rebecca watson steve novella

1498
01:00:47,739 --> 01:00:55,150
and many more could be yours coming up

1499
01:00:53,170 --> 01:00:59,829
in a few weeks I think plus some Maynard

1500
01:00:55,150 --> 01:01:02,199
books and CDs all of that of course is

1501
01:00:59,829 --> 01:01:04,930
to help pay for Maynard's plane ticket

1502
01:01:02,199 --> 01:01:08,048
to Tam in Las Vegas and I'm delighted to

1503
01:01:04,929 --> 01:01:10,958
see and very flattered that I'll be a

1504
01:01:08,048 --> 01:01:13,869
speaker at Taman along with dr. Aichi in

1505
01:01:10,958 --> 01:01:16,208
fact fantastic stuff anyway that's all a

1506
01:01:13,869 --> 01:01:18,039
bit down the track I think I better

1507
01:01:16,208 --> 01:01:21,338
practice some more magic they're going

1508
01:01:18,039 --> 01:01:24,400
to magic cat next to me really you do

1509
01:01:21,338 --> 01:01:28,298
some magic alright mean the cat often do

1510
01:01:24,400 --> 01:01:30,910
some magic and of next week this is

1511

01:01:28,298 --> 01:01:34,469
Richard Saunders signing off from Sydney

1512
01:01:30,909 --> 01:01:34,469
Australia what do you want

1513
01:01:36,510 --> 01:01:43,290
you've been listening to the skeptic

1514
01:01:38,489 --> 01:01:47,250
zone visit her website at www skipped

1515
01:01:43,289 --> 01:01:50,210
exam TV for comments contacts and extra

1516
01:01:47,250 --> 01:01:50,210
video reports

1517
01:01:53,309 --> 01:01:55,340
Oh