

‘Ask a Queer’ gives voice to LGBTQ issues

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organizations for equality because our goal will have been reached.”

The panel is one of most direct and accessible initiatives Queers and Allies put together in pursuit of disseminating more information about the LGBTQ community. If you want to know more about what it’s like to be gay on campus, why not ask someone who is?

The event had a very casual atmosphere despite the gamut of serious questions and comments about Davidson and LGBTQ issues. Shamus Cooper ’16 was one of the many panelists who believed that Davidson did not understand how to treat queers and others with nontraditional views of sexuality on campus.

“I felt fetishized when in drag. People groped my fake boobs and they laughed. But if I was a chick that’d be sexual assault,” Shamus stated.

The panel tackled the topics of proper pronoun usage, gender expression and the challenges of coming out. “Coming out is a never ending process,” Rob Stevens ’14 explained. “You have to explain every new place you go to.”

The honest and open window into the viewpoints of the panelists, though a very

simple process, was monumental in face of the issue it was tackling. The panelists revealed through their sometimes opposing opinions on topics and personal beliefs not whether they were gay, straight or questioning – but that they were human. It is too easy to take the LGBTQ movement and define those that take part only by their sexual identity and preference, a pricy mistake. As Dylan Goodman ’16 put it, “Being queer isn’t so exotic. It’s being human, too.

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The panel was eye opening to those unfamiliar with the LGBTQ movement that, much like any community of people, is full of people with incredibly different attitudes and opinions. By being onstage and answering questions, the panelists helped bridge the gap between knowing about the movement and being able to associate it with names, faces and people. “Activism is important; people can see people and it can help them if they want to come out.”

Natalie Williford ’14 explained.

By taking part in the event, the panelists did their best to make the campus a place where no closeted person would live in fear.

CRIME LOG: 04/21 TO 04/28

CLASSIFICATION	TIME	LOCATION	DISPOSITION
Poss. Of Controlled Substance/Poss. Of Drug Paraphernalia	04/22/14 1148 hrs	Davis	Dean Referral
Larceny (Bicycle)	04/23/14 1655 hrs	Library	Further Investigationl
Trespass 2nd Degree/Miscellaneous Suspicious Person	04/23/14 2006 hrs	Dormitory Drive	Trespassed
Found Property	04/25/14 0014 hrs	Tomlinson	Further Investigationl
Found Property	04/25/14 2149 hrs	Kappa Sig	Property Returned to Owner
Found Property	04/25/14 2150 hrs	Phi Delta	Property Returned to Owner
Larceny of Property (Bicycle)	04/26/14 1402 hrs	Jamieson	Property Located
Larceny-Felony/Breaking & Entering Residence/Burglary 1st Degree/Underage Consumption	04/27/14 0249 hrs	Richardson	Further Investigation
Larceny-Felony (Laptop)	04/27/14 1418 hrs	KA	Further Investigation
Injury to Real Property	04/27/14 1943 hrs	Ridge Rd	Further Investigation
Found Property	04/27/14 0500 hrs	Tomlinson	Further Investigation
Larceny (Catcard)	04/27/14 1830 hrs	Phi Delta	Further Investigation

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

NUMBER OF REPORTS

Fire Calls	4
Noise Complaints	0
Suspicious Person	1
Vehicle Starts	2
Escorts	6
911 Hang Ups	10
Assist Fire/Medic	1
Alarms	0
Other	3

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