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SGA Vice-President, Davis Greene '09, believes "you can't support something without showing some action...It's important we're here together."

The bus pulled into Jena, Louisiana around 7 a.m. on Thursday.

The Davidson group, adorned in black shirts as a sign of protest, joined an already forming crowd of black-shirted demonstrators as they marched throughout the town.

The closed shops and buildings were silent in comparison to the fervor of the crowd, which alternated between decries of "No Justice, No Peace!" and "Free Mychal Bell!"

A motorcade of Buffalo Soldiers passed through the streets, NAACP chapters from around the country bore signs of protest while marching and protestors carried flags of the Afro-American movement.

Tanya Chanh '11 said, "It was empowering to be in a huge group like that, and really touching to see so many people from across the world of different races, with the same belief and morals."

At the Jena High School, the tree where three nooses had been found was cut down and covered in a mound of dirt.

Atop the mound, protestors hurled comments like "if she can't use your mom's comb, don't bring her home" towards the audience.

Throughout the march, several protestors directed racist comments towards whites.

Thankfully, the Jena courthouse rekindled the spirit of the day, with speakers ranging from the Black Panthers to C. Ray Nagin, Mayor of New Orleans.

Reverend Jesse Jackson called for the immediate release of Mychal Bell and the other Jena Six members. Jackson spoke of the disparity between the racial proportions of those in jail compared to the population at large. After Jackson's speech, the group left Jena and returned to Davidson.

*"To sweat with these people that are sweating, and to cry with these people that are crying, nothing can replace that."*

*--Rachel Winston '10*

For Rachel Winston '10 the trip was "about being in the center of the action. To sweat with these people that are swearing and to cry with these people that are crying, nothing can replace that."

Scott maintains the importance of students' continuing participation in efforts like this because "the Civil Rights Movement may have started in the church, but it's up to the students to carry it forward."

Ashley Mincey '11 felt that "it was a personal responsibility to be proactive in the fight against injustice. We've moved beyond a theme of black versus white and now it's just right versus wrong."

**CAMPUS POLICE BLOTTER**

09/17 11:46 a.m. Property Damage Hobart Park

A concerned grounds supervisor reported that a large tree in Hobart Park had been vandalized. He advised that someone had used black spray paint to draw a face on the tree. Officers responded, took pictures of the face and determined that it was not gang-related. The surrounding area was searched but no other damage was found. The supervisor was notified once the scene was cleared, and the face was subsequently covered.

09/17 11:36 p.m. Crime Prevention Dorms

Officer conducted foot patrol through the following dorms: Little, Watts and Belk. During the patrol the officer spoke with students on 1st Little, watched football with 1st Watts and talked with students on 2nd Belk.

09/19 1:47 a.m. Entrapped Student Martin Court—Jamison

Officer received a call advising that a student was unable to exit his room. On arrival, the officer determined that the doorknob was broken. The officer talked the student through the process of removing the pins from the door hinges, then contacted after hours maintenance. No one was injured, and the door was undamaged.

09/21 10:49 p.m. Intoxicated Pedestrian, the First Amendment Belk Dorm

Officers were dispatched to Belk Dormitory for possible alcohol poisoning. Upon arrival, officers spoke with the subject of alleged alcohol poisoning, who advised that he had been drinking and had gotten sick. Medics arrived on the scene, and the subject stated that he knew his rights and refused to go to the hospital. The intoxicated subject was informed that he was not allowed to refuse transport to the hospital due to his intoxicated state. The subject restated that he knew his First Amendment rights and advised the officers and medics that he would resist if they tried to use force. The medics and officers attempted to assist the student onto the stretcher. The student repeatedly attempted to remove straps that held him on the stretcher. The medic personnel advised him that if he kept trying to take the straps off, they would tie his hands down. The subject did not listen and took the straps off again. The medics then tied his hands to the stretcher. The student was safely transported to Lake Norman Regional Medical Center in his own "best interest."

09/24 11:22 a.m. Hay Damage Dorms

Officer was advised of several instances in which someone had used bales of hay to litter several dorms including Belk, Duke, Little and Richardson. Perpetrators took the bales of hay and spread them throughout the hallways, entrances and stairwells of the dorms and areas of international studies in Duke Dormitory. Perpetrators are still at large.

09/24 2:36 p.m. Drug Solicitation Ridge Road

Officer received a call from a concerned student that a green Ford Explorer had stopped him on Ridge Rd., and one of the subjects asked him if he would like to buy some marijuana. Student advised the officer of the car's license plate. Approximately five minutes later, officer received another call from a complainant advising that a group of people were attempting to sell marijuana from the steps in front of Cannon Dormitory. Officer made contact with the subjects at this location. Having found no buyers, the subjects were escorted from College property and their vehicle was searched.



Almost 50 Davidson students, some of which are pictured here in front of the Jena Town Hall, traveled by bus to Louisiana last Thursday.

**EFC sponsors affordable housing panel to kick off year**

BY ALISSA CURRAN  
News Editor

Engage for Change (EFC) sponsored a panel discussion on affordable housing issues in the Davidson community and the Charlotte area at large last night.

Panelists included Liz Clasen of the Urban Ministry Center in Charlotte, Chris Estes of the North Carolina Housing Coalition, Marcia Webster of the Davidson Housing Coalition and Cindy Reid, who serves as the Affordable Housing Coordinator for the Town of Davidson.

According to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), "affordable housing is housing that costs its occupant (owner or renter) no more than 30% of their gross monthly household income."

People who fall under this category include those at a great risk for losing their home in the case of a financial crisis and those who have no income or housing situation.

"Just because people don't have income doesn't mean they don't deserve the dignity of a home," Clasen said.

Davidson has a unique affordable housing plan that includes a land trust ordinance, which means that the Town of Davidson owns all of the land under any home that it sells.

According to Marcia Webster, this serves dual purpose: "[Owning the land] allows to protect the affordability of property in Davidson, and it takes out the value of the land from the sale price, which is a great help for first time buyers."

Reid explained another unique tenet of Davidson's affordable housing ordinance, which requires developers to make 12.5 percent of whatever units they build affordable (as determined by the area's median household income).

When asked what students could do to help give this advocacy project momentum, each panelist emphasized the power of the vote. Reid and Webster also urged Davidson students to explore opportunities to educate themselves and their peers on this local hotbed issue through the Davidson Housing Coalition.

"Get involved and really understand the challenges that lower income people face," Estes urged his listeners.

EFC conducted the panel discussion to bring students up-to-date on an issue that they hope to study thoroughly throughout the year.

"We really wanted to foster dialogue and get students involved in issues of housing. We're not only concerned with affordable housing but also transitional housing as safe housing," Amy Killian '08, a member of EFC's steering committee, said.

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