Blue Jeans Day A Success

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Jeans day viewed as successful

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Last Friday's Blue Jeans Day was successful in that "both ends of the spectrum were evident" said Carl Swanson, president of the Gay Students Coalition.

Swanson added he saw a number of students dressed in three piece outfits, but there were students in blue jeans.

The number of blue jean wearers was relatively low. Swanson said he stood outside the Union for an hour on Friday and counted 27 percent of the passerby's in blue jeans as opposed to 45 percent two weeks earlier. 

"My only regret to the whole day," Swanson said, was that the GSC didn't have the money to provide speakers and educational materials for the University. He added that perhaps funds could be obtained for educational purposes for future blue jeans days.

The only negative incident of the day, Swanson said was the tearing down of a sheet outside Quinn Hall which advertised Blue Jeans Day. "We put it back up anyway," he said. "They put it up inside again and again."

"The off campus media coverage of blue jeans day was "for the most part unsolicited, but welcomed." Swanson said, adding that a television station and several radio stations in the state had interviewed him about the day.

Swanson said he hopes to hold a debate on gay rights before the close of the semester.