



Same Sex Marriage: A Civil Debate, between Dr. John Corvino and Mr. Glenn Stanton was not only educational but an inspirational experience as well. This program combines facts with true life stories and situations that make you think twice about the hot topic.

At first, I too was skeptical about the program but through reading and hearing more about it I knew that this program would be very beneficial to our students, faculty and staff. It is made clear by both parties, that this debate is not about religion, but about the political rights each party is given in the United States.

Maryville is a private school in St. Louis, Missouri and can be described as a more conservative community. This debate gave our students, faculty and staff, the opportunity to listen to both sides of the same sex marriage argument and voice their opinions on the issue. This program was successful for two reasons; it is a hard topic to talk about because of its touchy subject matter, but the debate gave people the chance to voice what they had been thinking of and feeling for a long time, without receiving blank stares and ridicule from others. Secondly, it was a great educational experience; each speaker brought up issues and laws that many people were not aware of. The purpose of the program is not to persuade you to take one side or the other, but to make you aware of this controversial subject of same sex marriage.

The program went over so well here at Maryville, that we had several students and faculty approach us afterwards and articulate that it was the best event our Campus Activities Board had put on all year.

As Maryville's Campus Activities Board, Special Events Officer, I highly recommend this event, and encourage you to bring this program to your school or community. This program will bring excitement and knowledge to your community in a well presented and professional manner that everyone will be talking about for a long time.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Wray', written in a cursive style.

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