

## On the Yard

What do you expect from President Suber?



"I expect her to change a lot of things around here. I feel the school is unorganized, the faculty is not well managed and the students' expectations are not high enough. I hope she can help change that."

**Star Harris**  
Sophomore  
English



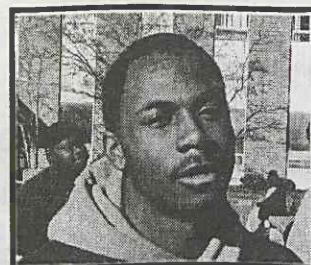
"I think she will bring more sensitivity towards the students' needs."

**Paul Anderson**  
Senior  
Music Education



"I expect her to perform above and beyond the call of duty."

**Tara Campbell**  
Senior  
Psychology



"I expect her to run the school with no corruption."

**Anthony Morton**  
Sophomore  
Accounting

...tically I must say, choose a woman out of a litter of 50 to spend my golden years beside. Or at least I can, every day. I would like to have her spend my money for me.

Such was the path Rick Rockwell took when he married Darva Conger on last Tuesday's FOX special, "Who Wants to Marry a Multimillionaire." A principled developer/comedian/ investor/motivational speaker, worth at least the required \$2 million and having at least \$750,000 cash, Rockwell remained in anonymity while he watched 50 equally principled women strut their stuff. After

## Where have love and respect gone?

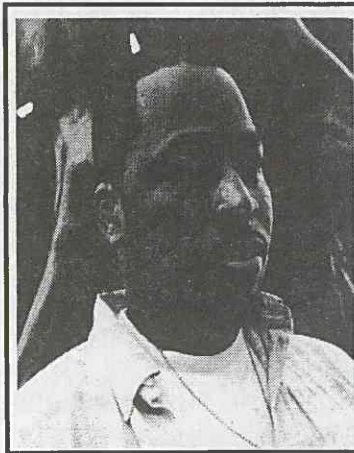
Once upon a time in Falconland, there lived a beautiful princess. She was a wonder for eyes to see. She had the most handsome prince in the land as her beau. They had only been together for two weeks when the prince professed his undying love for the princess. The princess was so shocked at what the prince had said, and returned those three magical words, "I love you," and they lived happily ever after.

Well, that was only until two weeks later, when the princess discovered the prince was really an evil Sultan with a harem of women, all of whom he "loved." So the princess' heart was heartbroken and her faith in men wavered until this very day.

Now boys and girls, this story could have gone either way. Yet, it is a constant soap opera played throughout this campus. Boy meets girl, boy tells girl that he loves her, girl believes boy and then finds out that boy is really a gigolo and then the girl's heart gets broken.

As I said before, it can go either way. I would like to focus on two major points. Love and respect. Did I say the two words that are unknown to many on this campus? Well, I did. And you are about to get an earful.

If you look in the dictionary, there are roughly 24 definitions for the word "love." For this purpose, I shall use the following definition: "the profoundly tender or passionate affection for a person of the opposite sex." Okay, so now that we have it simplified, let



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Guest Columnist

us get to the reason I choose to speak on this subject. Ladies and gentlemen, let me introduce you to the "playa" of the year. It requires you to pick a mirror and look at the person staring back at you.

Now I know this doesn't apply to everyone, yet to those it does apply to, why do you abuse words that have no meaning to you? There is "love" and there is "being in love." The first one is more superficial and generalized. The second is self-sacrifice, giving a person your all and receiving the same thing in return. Yet, we still use it loosely. I say don't say it, unless you mean it.

"R-E-S-P-E-C-T, find out what it means to me!" Let's start with the ladies this time. Being a man, I like to see form-fitting clothing on a woman because it looks sexy. Yet, there is a time and place for everything.

If I am walking to class, and see a group of girls outside with short skirts and body suits on in 30-degree weather there are problems. For one, it's not cute. Two, you're almost certain to get disrespected. Ladies—the 20 of you out there—it is how you carry yourself that gets respect. True, you can carry yourself perfectly, but wearing skimpy clothing will get you nothing but grief. So let's try not to be trashy.

Now to the fellas, my "directors of disrespect." For every instance that a female has turned you down, what have you done? Perhaps called her out of name, shouted obscenities at her or even gone to the extreme of throwing something at them. Fellas, let me inform you of something. You are born a male, but it takes a lot to become a "man." Think of all the times you called a woman a "b—h," last time you checked, wasn't your mother a woman also? So how many times have you called your mother that word?

Another point is all this profound swearing in public. It's not becoming of man nor woman. What you say behind closed doors is fine. When you are in the public eye, behave accordingly. If this article has baffled you, then I shall make it easy for you: "Do unto others, as you would have them do unto you."

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## Area of Concern: MLK Jr. Student Union restroom



Photo by Kobeé Moore

The male restroom in the MLK Jr. Student Union shows signs of deterioration.

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The men's restroom upstairs in the Martin Luther King Jr.

Student Union is unsuitable to be used by anyone who walks into it.

Four mirrors are missing from the walls, two lights above the missing mirrors are missing, a door is missing from the first stall and the two doors on the

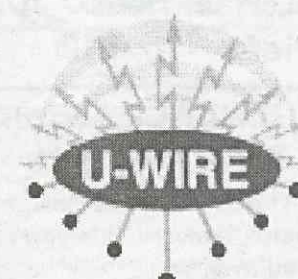
remaining stalls are broken.

One of the standing toilets does not flush properly and a terrible stench can be smelled when walking into the restroom.

This restroom is used by not only students, but by the several guests we have visiting the campus. The college also allows the community and different organizations who visit the school to use the Student Union for

programs they may have.

The MLK Student Union serves as a place where we bring our most distinguished guest, yet it's restrooms are in no condition to be called a place of rest.



## Opinion Sampler

### Should the Confederate flag still hang?

Rank upon rank of men in Confederate uniforms marched through the streets of Columbia, S.C., with muskets on their shoulders. Their womenfolk were out in force to support them. The names of Confederate war casualties were read out. It could have been 1861.

Instead, it all happened two weeks ago in this brave new year of 2000.

The marchers were part of a rally of 6,000 people protesting any move to haul down the Confederate battle flag which has flown from the dome of South Carolina's Statehouse for the last 38 years. That "stars and bars" flag continues to divide people as much as ever. Some see it as a symbol of hate, bondage and oppression; others view it as a vital part of Southern heritage, a definition of a whole culture.

On Jan. 17, as our campus was closed to commemorate the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, the NAACP held a counter-rally in Columbia. The attendance numbers were astounding - expecting 10,000 protesters, the organizers instead found themselves addressing a crowd of over 50,000 people. In addition, the NAACP has a tourism boycott in force against the state until the flag comes down, and South Carolina lawmakers will vote on the issue shortly.

The rhetoric being used is beginning to heat up with a senator by the name of Arthur Ravenel telling the pro-Confederate crowd last weekend that South Carolina's politicians should not bow to pressure from what he called the "National Association of Retarded People."

Well, that comment is easy to condemn as odious and repulsive. Indeed, the

whole flag issue might look relatively straightforward to most of us who are part of a multi-racial student body on the West Coast. The flag should go. It's a part of history, a flag raised in an attempt to perpetuate slavery of African-Americans. It's the opposite of a liberty flag.

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