## 31st & Pearl

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Spring semester 2007 promises to be just as contentious as fall of 2006. The CoB's AACSB reaffirmation visit occurs in February. Doty has two openings in the EFIB with which to shore up his wife's position as the state's leading economics education deliverer. While columnists aren't always privy to upcoming reports, this columnist has seen a draft of a forthcoming report entitled "Niroomand's Nemesis." It details some of the history of the CoB's Center for Financial Services, and provides a look at the ego of the CoB's Associate Dean, Farhang Niroomand. This report promises to be a popular addition to the website.

Catch up on the "Carter Thinks" series. You may also want to peruse the latest series on grade inflation in the College. That series presents some interesting statistics. Make sure to note all of the official documentation that exists on this website. It is made available to you through various freedom of information statutes – important legal protections of the public's right to know about how its tax dollars are used. Bookmark our site. Offer your suggestions when they occur. You can make a difference.

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