A LOOK AT BO MORGAN'S CAMPUS PAD FOR 2008-09

According to <u>documents</u> obtained via freedom of information provisions by USMNEWS.net, the USM community is just <u>now learning</u> about how much in USM student and Mississippi taxpayer dollars was funneled down various streams in order to <u>fund the publication</u> and dissemination of *Treasured Past, Golden Future*. This book is, of course, the centennial history of the 100 year old institution (USM) that was commission by then-USM president Martha Saunders back in 2008. One of the provisions Saunders promised that history's author, then-Delta State University history professor Chester "Bo" Morgan, for providing her with a crown jewel for USM's 100th birthday in 2010 was one year's worth of housing. That promise was kept, as the **Interdepartmental Invoice** below shows. That invoice shows that the USM's president's office was billed by Pine Haven on 30-July-2008 for one year's rent on Apartment 66 in USM's Cedarbrook graduate housing complex.

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The invoice above, totaling **\$3,000**, was signed by Polly Odom, Saunders' executive secretary. The total on the invoice also brings the cost of the centennial history to *somewhere between \$98,000 and \$148,000*. Is there more to come?