

DEAR USMNEWS.NET

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With regard to your [editorial](#) concerning a nuisance gift to the Southern Miss theater department [from playwright Stephen Sondheim], I believe [administrators] are tone deaf to the sensibilities of its local community. Many of us make small contributions because we care about Southern Miss, yet we are lucky to get a form thank you note. Don't the people who run Southern Miss understand that its worth does not come from some trifling association with a famous person? If they [USM administrators] did, they would focus on the quality of education and holding tuition costs down.

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