

# GH Chatter

The 3<sup>rd</sup> floor CoB staffers recently put on a nice dessert party for the five retiring economics professors. Though there was a decent turnout, one of the retiring economists – former EFIB chairman George Carter – failed to show. Chatter has it that Carter is extremely bitter about the situation facing economics at USM (i.e., having to move to CoAL, forcing five senior profs to retire, etc.), and he didn't want to give the Lance Nail administration, including those who staff it, the satisfaction of having him show up and publicly accept this situation. Long-time CoBers say he probably once envisioned going out voluntarily, and to a throng of adoring fans. Those days never materialized, as Carter fell from favor in his final years. Now he's going out alone.

Staying with George Carter, talk has it that he's rarely around the halls these days. This confirms other recent chatter about Carter – when he's not an administrator, he's not around. It seems Carter only puts in the 40+ when he's bossing people around. When he's rank-and-file, it's more time for Mississippi Consulting Group, Inc., and less time for USM.

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