GH Chatter

The Jim Henderson chatter from our last installment gets even more interesting. Some faculty are saying that Henderson boasted, at the 4-May-07 CoB faculty meeting, about having "bombed" more undergraduate students than any other faculty present in the meeting room (JGH 303). What is it with some faculty accounting faculty wanting to see students do bad?

Students are complaining about visiting assistant professor of finance Feng Jiao. These complaints seem to run the gamut, but usually focus on the idea that no one can complete his exams in the allotted time. If so, this won't go over well at student evaluation time.

Accounting students were surprised to come to Marc DePree's class on the first meeting day (back in August) only to find out that he (DePree) would not be their instructor. What's amazing is that the students were told, by a CoB official no less, that DePree had been "laid off" by the University.

It looks like EFIB Chair George Carter's *Clinical Teaching Professorships* program will continue into the spring of 2008. Carter is teaching another so-called "overload" on top of his 6-hour load. Now associate professor of finance, John Clark, is joining the money-grubbing program by teaching an "overload" section on top of his 6-hour teaching load.

It turns out that new visiting professor of marketing, David Glascoff, is a homer. Yes, as a former USM student, he is now part of the "Bring 'Em All Home" crowd that is growing to dominate the CoB's faculty ranks.

The use of Power Point in economics courses seems to be growing by leaps and bounds. Last year William Gunther and Trellis Green taught two mass sections across the hallway from one another (JGH 115 and 116), and both were using PP. Now, Akbar Marvasti and new instructor of economics, Susan Doty, have joined them. Sources say that, if he were here, Charles Sawyer's stomach would be turning at how many EFIB economists have given up on actual teaching.

GH Chatter is a series at USMNEWS that provides a glimpse at what CoB students, and sometimes CoB faculty, are discussing throughout the corridors of Joseph Greene Hall.