Sullivan University to offer first Doctorate Program in Pharmacy

There are many milestones in the history of institutions. The just-released announcement that Sullivan University is planning on offering its first Doctorate Program is indeed a major milestone in the growth and development of the University. Sullivan has always reacted to a critically-growing shortage in high-need, high-paying careers. The University did extensive advance planning and the University’s Board of Directors has approved the establishment of a College of Pharmacy and awarding of the Doctor of Pharmacy degree to graduates.

University Chancellor and Founder, Dr. A.R. Sullivan stated, “this is the first, of what we hope will be several, doctorate-level offerings Sullivan University will provide. The need for new pharmacists is almost unlimited in the years ahead, both in Kentucky and throughout the United States.” He added, “this decision was not made hastily and will require a major financial commitment by The Sullivan University System. But under the leadership of System President Glenn D. Sullivan and Senior Vice President Tom Davison, we are committed to developing one of the finest Colleges of Pharmacy in the United States.”

Will be fully accredited

This new Doctor of Pharmacy Program, PharmD as it is referred to in the profession, will require a level change with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and with the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE). Those applications will be made later this year following the selection of a Dean for the new College of Pharmacy. A national search for the new Dean is now underway. It is anticipated that a new Dean will be hired by the end of summer.

Extensive research

Sullivan University has been doing research for more than two years on this new program. A year ago, the University hired Dr. A.R. Sullivan, Executive Director Emeritus of the American Council for Pharmacy Education, the national accrediting body for pharmacy schools, as a consultant to help research this potential new program. Dr. Nona will now sit on the search committee which will be chaired by Dr. Steve Coppock, Executive Vice President and CEO of Sullivan University. Also serving on the search committee will be Dr. Mel Kuhbander, representing the University faculty, Dr. Leon Casswell, President of the Kentucky Pharma-cist Association, Dr. Don Kupper, Director of Pharmacy at the University of Louisville Hospitals, and two additional representatives currently under consideration.

Filling a great need

Research conducted by the University showed a huge demand for additional pharmacists across the country. Of the seven pharmacy colleges contacted, the average acceptance rate of applicants is 15%. This is currently a need for more than 100 additional pharmacists in Kentucky alone and the demand is expected to grow significantly in the next ten years as the “baby boom” generation reaches retirement age and beyond.

Lucrative salaries

The average starting salary for entry level pharmacists is more than $90,000 in Kentucky and nearly $100,000 for the U.S. National Healthcare, Humana & Kindred Healthcare Pharmacy Divisions have already met with University officials and have expressed serious interest in working with the new College of Pharmacy including serving on an advisory board and even sponsoring students tuition in return for working for the companies upon graduation. The University is also planning to meet with the Kentucky Hospital Association, Rx Crossroads, Walgreens, Kingsport, Rite Aid, CVS and other organizations to seek their participation.

New facilities

The new Sullivan University College of Pharmacy is projected to start its first class sometime in 2008. Additional facilities must be secured and those efforts are now underway. Once the facilities are secured or built, a more definite start date can be announced. The first class is expected to have 60-70 students. Eventually, 100 students per class or a total of 400 students are planned for the PharmD Program.

Additional information will be forthcoming in the months and years ahead. The University community will be kept informed as we move forward on this exciting new part of our development and growth.

Sullivan University System names new president

Continuing a third generation of involvement by the Sullivan family with Sullivan University, Glenn D. Sullivan has been named President of The Sullivan University System. Following in the footsteps of his grandfather A.O. Sullivan and father Dr. A.R. Sullivan who together founded Sullivan in 1962, President Sullivan is the third generation of the Sullivan family to lead the independent college or university system. President Sullivan, a graduate of Tulane University, has been employed faculty and staff and serving more than 8,000 students each year on six campuses, and worldwide on the World Wide Web through online classes. Chancellor named

Dr. A.R. Sullivan, who has served as President since 1978, has moved to the new position of Chancellor of the System. He will devote more time to the development of new programs as well as doing in-depth research on many of the System’s internal procedures to ensure that the quality that he has devoted his entire 44 year career with Sullivan University is further enhanced.

Left to right, Glenn D. Sullivan, President of The Sullivan University System; Dr. A.R. Sullivan, Chancellor, The Sullivan University System; and Lisa Sullivan Likins, Director of Sullivan University’s Early Childhood Education and Professional Nanny programs.

Dr. Sullivan shared, “I am not retiring. I am just moving to a new full-time role of leadership within the System. I will still be working with, and challenging everyone, including our new President, to move these institutions to even higher plateaus.

I will be working with our campus leaders daily on new projects.” He added, “After 24 years of service to this organization, it is necessary for this position and I know he will do a wonderful job. I am also happy that my daughter, Lisa Sullivan Likins is also a part of this organization in her role with the University’s Early Childhood Education program. I am blessed that my two children have chosen to work with me in building this organization.”

The Herald staff and everyone in The Sullivan University System, congratulate and thank Chancellor Sullivan for his lifelong efforts to build Sullivan from those first seven students to where the University is today. At the Spring 2006 graduation held April 22, 2006 (one of two formal commencement ceremonies the University has each year), more than 600 students were eligible to receive certificates, diplomas, associate, bachelor’s and master’s degrees. Chancellor Sullivan shared with the 4,000+ family and friends in attendance, that the highlights of his year are the summer and fall graduations where he meets each graduate and hands them their diplomas or degrees. He added, “It reminds me every time to watch the pride and happiness of those who have met the challenges and reached graduation as their first goal to success. I plan to continue to perform this as long as I am able.”

at Sullivan since 1981 serving in a variety of positions from campus director to administrative vice president; most recently serving as Executive Vice President of the System. The System includes Sullivan University, Spencerian College, The Louisville Technical Institute, Sullivan Global Online, and Sullivan University EurAsia employing more than 1,000 full and part-time staff and everyone. Sullivan University System names new president

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Sullivan students ‘scramble’ to support local charity

With a little bit of luck from Mother Nature and a lot of hard work and planning, five graduate students in Sullivan’s MGT 524 Advanced Leadership Practicum class raised $5,000 for a local charity by hosting a golf scramble. Stacie Stephens, Tim Uptain, Susan Kiehl, Bryan Snowden, and Rita Smith, students in the class, accepted a challenge from their instructor, Dr. Angela Girdley, to plan, promote, and host the charity event. The team applied leadership theory they were learning in the course to create mission and vision statements, analyze teamwork development, motivate people to participate, and led the process to successfully direct the golf scramble project from start to finish. “It was exciting to see our efforts unfold before our eyes,” remarked Stacie Stephens, a class member. The team chose the Home of the Innocents (HOTI) as their charity to support. After visiting the home, a residential service for abused, abandoned, neglected or critically ill children, students were motivated to give 110% effort to help the mission of HOTI.

Thom Whittinghill, Public Relations Coordinator for HOTI, applauded the team’s accomplishment. “This group did an amazing job of putting together this scramble . . . the home is very grateful for this significant gift.”

The scramble involved about 54 golfers from area businesses, Sullivan students and alums. In addition, several corporate donors contributed to the financial success of the outing. One student team member, Susan Kiehl, summed up the project, “It was a great experience that will help us in our future endeavors.”

Project Management: It’s all about control

Sullivan University’s curricula for the Master in Business Administration (MBA) and Master of Science in Managing Information Technology (MSMIT) degree programs covers a wide range of courses addressing business and technical needs in the marketplace. One of these courses, Project Management (MGT 590) is designed to provide information about the business demands for project management and the methods used to address these demands. The course teaches recognized project management methods and provides hands-on practice to develop, document and manage the various business aspects occurring with most projects.

“Most cutting edge companies now look at Project Management as a strategic, integral part of the business approach . . . Business people who are familiar with Project Management have the advantage over those who do not.”

JERRY J. GOB, Owner Technical Solutions Group

Applicable to many programs

While the Project Management course introduces many methods and techniques needed by project managers to develop, track and control projects, it also incorporates other class work information learned at Sullivan University. This includes Accounting, Finance, Corporate Law, Communications, Dispute Resolution, Managerial Accounting, Managerial Economics, Human Resources, Information Technology and Marketing. You could almost say the Project Management course is like a mini-capstone course requiring the use of many business philosophies to address sets of business issues at the same time. Valuable attributes

Some of the major reasons why businesses now desire Project Management expertise include the pressures to follow new government regulations and the desire for more effective use of company resources for strategic growth. This is where Project Management and the associated methods and controls have become important. The increased demand for project management offers a very unique opportunity for Sullivan students pursuing MBA and MSMIT degrees. Even if the individual does not pursue a career path in project management, the knowledge gained provides the background and experience to assist organizations in today’s very highly competitive business environment.
His career is all wrapped up

Some students wish they could perform magic to pass a test, prepare a great report or get a good grade. Nobody knows if Aron Houdini, a Sullivan paralegal student, can use his magical powers for academic purposes, but one thing is certain—Aron is the only living Houdini in the world, and he lives the life of a real “Houdini.”

Famous ancestor

Harry Houdini (1874-1926), Aron’s ancestor, is still regarded as one of the best-known performers and promoters in theatrical and film history. Houdini’s name has meant the ability to escape from any restraint or difficult situation; he always insisted that all his escapes were by natural means, and that he had no supernatural powers of any kind. For nearly 26 years, Houdini was the only living Houdini in the world. He proved this by escaping from the straight jacket and performing many other world record escapes.

Dedicated to his memory

This important background is what makes Aron Houdini tick. As Aron stated, “I am really the only living Houdini in the World. I emphasize this because it is important to me to continue to prove that the ‘Great Harry Houdini’ was doing nearly a hundred years ago.” He continued, “I have worked hard to perfect my escapes and tricks to continue the style of Harry Houdini.”

Honored record-holder

In his lifetime, Aron Houdini performed a real Straight Jacket Escape. Aron says, “All my escapes are real, they are not magic tricks.” He also holds world records for Longest Time Spent in a Sealed Casket, With No Air - 72 minutes, and for being the Youngest Person to Escape a Real Straight Jacket. He currently is working on another world record for Most Escapes from Police Handcuffs. Aron has twice been voted the Kentucky Entertainer of the Year.

Importance of education

Aron decided to come to Sullivan and enter the paralegal studies program, even though he continues to perform on a regular basis and has a promotional website, http://houdiniarond.tripod.com. Aron said, “I take advice from many magicians. I am a magician that I think highly of, Lance Burton once said to me that education was still important. Most of my escapes are really dangerous … I realized I need to have a second vocation.”

Small career plus

“I chose Sullivan University because I heard so many great things about it,” stated Aron. “In the past I have broken my back twice. The small campus helps me when I am hurting or having a bad back day. I don’t have very far to walk.” He continued, “I have friends who are attorneys, and have always been interested in the law. After Sullivan, I plan on attending law school.”

Bright future

So what else does the future hold for Aron? He wants to continue doing shows, as well as doing charitable events. He plans to mix his legal career with his show business career. According to Aron, “I can mix them together. Most of David Copperfield’s ushers are attorneys, he is very strict about who works for him. Once I finish school, perhaps I can work for David! I know I will perform for the rest of my life, or until my body says I can’t.”

for more information on Aron Houdini and Sullivan Paralegal Instructor Nick Riggs hold some of Aron’s promotional literature.

Dispute Resolution Center Senior Fellow Installed

Dr. A.R. Sullivan, Chancellor of Sullivan University, attended ceremonies at the United Nations complex in Vienna to install Sergio Gardelliano as a Senior Fellow in Sullivan University’s International Center for Dispute Resolution and Leadership (ICDRL). Mr. Gardelliano is one of four Fellows to be installed to hold this distinction after Lord Bill Brett, Director of the International Labour Organization, UK, who also attended the ceremony held in the offices of the Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO). Gardelliano was recently retired from UNIDO as a senior officer and was recognized for his contributions to international economics and political science. As the Senior Fellow of the ICDRL, he has achieved renowned excellence in the field of dispute resolution through exceptional contributions and personal influence. Senior Fellows are expected to contribute to the growth and development of the ICDRL and to promote conflict resolution. Online learning and distance education are appropriate fora for such studies, as well as lectures, seminars, and writings. Chancellor Sullivan invited both Mr. Gardelliano and Lord Brett to Louisville to contribute to the enrichment of Sullivan students’ educational experience.
The curious idea of Public Speaking online

Students completing the inaugural online public speaking class were asked to comment on what drew them to this class. “Curiosity” was the most common word used. Students such as Jeff Coker were even stronger in their remarks when he exclaimed, “You must be kidding me, how are they going to do that?” Or Tina Lemme’s, “Online Public Speaking... would be an eye-opener.” Instructor Quentin Moser admits, “On the surface it would seem like teaching ballet without a dance floor or fencing without a sword.” That was the hope of some such as Stacey Sharp: “When I Moser admits, “On the surface it would seem like teaching ballet without a dance floor or fencing without a sword.” That was the hope of some such as Stacey Sharp: “When I

Talbott-Hill. The Showcase was also open to the campus community giving “broadcasters” insight into the creativity of the students and their knowledge.

Whether we are negotiating with our children as we set their budgets, negotiating with our significant other about which movie to see, negotiating with our manager for that much deserved raise, or negotiating with our employers about work processes, we spend much of our day in negotiation. Some of us think we are very good at it; some of us believe our skills are sorely lacking. The truth is we could all improve our negotiating skills. This is precisely what Dr. Ingrid Roth will be addressing in her ADR classes at Sullivan University.
Sullivan students explore community resources

Students enrolled in Sullivan’s Community Enrichment class explore community resources that enhance children’s learning and provide an opportunity for hands-on experiences. Finding age-appropriate activities with educational value is one of the goals of the class.

**Unique off-campus experiences**
Talk about active learning! Sullivan students have enjoyed performances by the Kentucky Opera, and the Louisville Orchestra and Stage One interpretation of “Alexander, Who Is Not . . . Going to Move.” Students also toured museums like Farmington Historic Home, Speed Art Museum and Louisville Science Center.

**New resource available**
The Muhammad Ali Center opened to the public in November 2005. Early Childhood Education (ECE) Program Coordinator Angela Riggs brought Sullivan students on a field trip to coincide with the week of Martin Luther King Jr. holiday to provide her students a new experience filled with culture and diversity.

“The Muhammad Ali Center was surprisingly fascinating,” Mrs. Riggs stated. “I am not a boxing enthusiast but found the museum to integrate technology in innovative ways. It reaches visitors on a personal level with the six core values of respect, confidence, conviction, dedication, giving and spirituality. I honestly felt proud that Louisville has a wonderful new community treasure to share with tourists from around the world.”

ECE student, Sharon Huddleston, remarked that the most impressive aspect of the museum was the individual tiles created by children from around the world. The perspective of children looking at different habitats was very touching and “gave me goosebumps” commented Ms. Huddleston. Children and adults can submit their artistic expressions for the Global Voices permanent exhibit written by Angelina Joie. You will find several works from children right here in Louisville that have been made into the permanent exhibit.

For more information, visit the Center’s website: www.alicenter.org.

**A great symbiotic relationship: Marketing and Information Technology**
Marketing students Jamie Behr and Adrienne Brutscher needed to design a marketing plan for a wedding planner business as a class project. They wanted to include a website which presented a small problem - neither of them knew anything about web design. “We went and talked to Mr. Rob Kelley, an instructor in the Computer Science Department to see if he would help us design a web page on plus Fridays,” Behr said.

Kelley, always looking for an opportunity to let students work with other students across majors, suggested finding some programming students who might be interested in working with them. Enter Miles Mattingly and Michael Larnire, Information Technology students in Instructor Scott Cordie’s Server Side Programming Course. Mattingly and Larnire were looking for an interesting project to complete for their programming course. Behr’s and Brutscher’s proposal seemed a perfect fit - the Bluegrass Wedding Consultants Website was born.

The joint project gave these students an opportunity to work on a project that closely simulated the realities of this type of development. All agree it was a very positive experience. “This class project was extremely valuable to understanding how to apply what you have learned in a real life working environment. Not only does it push you to understand the content of what your class is teaching, it also throws you into using it in a real life scenario,” said Larnire, a sentiment which Mattingly echoes, “it was refreshing to use my skills toward a practical application.”

Says Kelley of the final product, “While I am not a marketing expert, both sets of students did an outstanding job. Behr and Brutscher’s ambition to go the extra mile and Mattingly and Larnire’s enthusiasm for a challenge embodied the spirit of Sullivan University students.”

**Sullivan Active Learning Training (SALT) Workshop**

As part of Sullivan University’s Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), faculty members have opportunities to sharpen their skills and explore active-learning strategies to implement in their classrooms. Ken Moran, Director of the Quality Enhancement Center, began the process by recruiting a team of instructors to attend a Train the Trainer Workshop led by Dr. Jay Rasmussen and Dr. Diane Pike from Bethel College. Workshop attendees Nancy Aulenbach, Bill Bohnert, Margie Gallo, Carol Hannahs, Julie King, Chef Sam Mudd, Angela Riggs, Nicholas Riggs and LaVena Wilkin, all represented a different career field and expertise from the University’s main campus in Louisville and branch campus in Lexington.

**Faculty are students, too**
Sullivan University has chosen to provide professional development opportunities for their faculty to improve student learning as part of their Quality Enhancement Plan. Sullivan’s focus has always been to prepare students for their chosen career field by providing hands-on experiences that will allow them to apply concepts and skills learned in the classroom to the work environment. “This is just another opportunity to continually improve the quality of education we can provide for our students,” stated Team Leader, Laura Selby.

Attending the Sullivan Active Learning Workshop (SALT) expose faculty to resources and strategies to help students be more actively involved. Sullivan’s faculty are encouraged to have learning enriched environments with group work, hands-on experiences, simulations, and utilize visual tools to assist students in the learning process to provide Sullivan students with a quality education.

**Justice & Public Safety Administration program continues strong growth**

Six students comprised the charter class in Sullivan’s new Justice & Public Safety Administration (JPSCA) degree program. Now just one year later, there are 130 students in class with more than half of them majoring in the program. In fact, the program has proved so popular that Sullivan now offers day, evening and online classes; and classes for employees at the prison in LaGrange, Kentucky to facilitate the many JPSCA educational opportunities in the surrounding area.

The 18-month associate degree program continues to experience strong growth. A television commercial for the program, hosted by U.S. Marshall Rick McCubbin and Stephen Ruckman, JPSCA Program Coordinator, featured the Warden for the Kentucky State Reformatory and the Louisville Metro Police Department’s Community Relations Officer Minerva Vidalta who expressed support for the quality and innovation of Sullivan’s JPSCA program.

**UPDATE: Quality Enhancement Plan**

Adjunct English Instructor Nancy Aulenbach enjoyed reading comments and suggestions from her peers.

Interest for the program continues and the state level as well. Stephen Ruckman was recently invited to Frankfort, Kentucky, by Mark Miller, Commissioner of the Kentucky State Police (KSP), to discuss how the KSP can get more involved with the JPSCA program through recruiting, instructional, and demonstration programs. This type of interest helps Sullivan students receive a superior education and enhance their employability opportunities through collaboration with various agencies.

Sullivan University will soon offer a bachelor’s degree in Justice & Public Safety Administration. This advanced degree will open every available door for Sullivan students to work in local, state, and federal justice and public safety agencies and prepare them for quick advancement to management in any agency.

For more information, please visit the website at jpsa.sullivan.edu.
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Paging Unlimited
Louisville, KY

Heather Coburn ★
Fern Creek HS, KY
Medical Records Clerk
Kosair Children’s Hospital
Louisville, KY

Ruth Charles ★
Owensboro Catholic, KY
Paralegal
University of Louisville Dental School
Louisville, KY

Jamie Hicks ★
Bardstown HS, KY
Chef Instructor
Whitney Young Job Corp.
Simpsonville, KY

Michael Cox
Butler HS, KY
Training Coordinator
Louisville Packaging
Louisville, KY

Christopher Sanders ★
Iroquois HS, KY
Sous Chef
Flick Independent Schools
Louisville, KY

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Paralegal
Carrithers Law Office
Louisville, KY

Ian Ritchie ★
Oak Hills HS, OH
Food Sales Associate
Dennery Enterprises
Louisville, KY

Jennifer Gilbert ★
North Hardin HS, KY
Line Cook
Aramark @ Brown Forman
Louisville, KY

Jeffrey Robertson
GED
Cook
Gumbo A Go-Go
Louisville, KY

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Crown Point HS, IN
Assistant Purser
Norwegian Cruise Lines
Honolulu, HI

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Beech HS, TN
Back of the House Trainer
Tijuana Flats
Louisville, KY

Nathan Shrewsbury
Seneca HS, KY
Chef
Kroger
Louisville, KY

Carla Crum
Maytown HS, KY
Administrative Assistant
Anshei Sfard Congregation
Louisville, KY

Vanessa Cunningham ★
Brunswick HS, GA
Line Cook
Lodge At Sea Island
Sea Island Branch, GA

Gary Holley ★
McClain HS, OH
Chef Manager
AVI Foodservice
Warren, OH

Donald Beirne ★
Bishop David HS, KY
Chef
Kroger
Louisville, KY

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Andrew Vanskike ★
Smyrna HS, TN
Lead PM Baker
Creative Occasions
Nashville, TN

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Michael Matt ★
Butler Traditional HS, KY
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Steak-n-Shake
Louisville, KY

Heather Coburn ★
Fern Creek HS, KY
Medical Records Clerk
Kosair Children’s Hospital
Louisville, KY

This space is reserved for you and your Sullivan success story!
Sullivan students participate in externships at Baptist HealthCare

Last year, the Computer Science Department at Sullivan University and Baptist HealthCare Systems (BHCS) joined forces to provide an externship for Sullivan's Bachelor of Science in Information Technology students. BHCS operates Baptist Hospital East in Louisville as well as several other hospitals in Kentucky.

Rob Kelley, Computer Science Department Chair and coordinator of the externship program, is extremely pleased with the success of the program. “Students participating in the externship get the opportunity to take skills they have learned during their coursework and apply them in real-world situations which is an extremely valuable experience for our students,” he stated.

The program has been so successful, that BHCS has hired two of the six students who have participated in the externship. Bobbi Fuller, a recent Sullivan University graduate and Rodney Crockett, who will be graduating in December 2006, were both hired as Information Technology Support Technicians. “I really like the externship. It may have been the company that I was connected to, but it has turned out to be very good for me,” said Rodney Crockett who was offered a full-time position after 11 weeks as an extern.

Regardless of whether or not a student is interested in a full-time position with BHCS, the experience has been invaluable. Current externship participant, Mark Edick says, “I’m an active duty warrant officer in the Army. After graduation I will be going back to my full-time duties and moving to Washington D.C. Luckily, I will be able to put my bachelor’s degree to good use working in the JAG Corps’ Legal Information Technology Management office.”

Mr. Kelley says the Computer Science Department intends to develop more externships with other companies in the coming months. “We would like to provide our students with other opportunities in web development, hardware repair, and software engineering. The program’s success has shown there is a need for practical experience and that companies will work with Sullivan to make that happen.”

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Chef Jonathan Benham is making a difference

Jonathan Benham graduated in September 2002 with his associate degrees in both Culinary Arts and Baking & Pastry Arts. He had not attended any other college or university before enrolling at Sullivan. “In fact, I had been rejected for school for 10 years before starting at Sullivan,” Jonathan said. “At Sullivan, I was challenged academically, I was driven to succeed, and I found more good friends than I had ever found before.”

Value of higher education

“I had the opportunity of getting my associate degrees, and felt more doors would be opened by obtaining a bachelor’s degree. Benham completed his bachelor’s degree in Business Administration via Sullivan’s online program in March of 2012. “Pursuing higher education online, I think is one of the best things I’ve ever done,” he stated. “My bachelor’s degree leads to the teaching position where I have opportunities to make real impact in lives when they need it most.”

Changing lives

Through an innovative program initiated at Rio Salado College, today Jon is the only Chef Instructor in the Culinary Arts Department at Perryville Prison in Arizona. Minimum security female inmates are his students. “Many of them have found themselves there because of one bad decision at the wrong time,” he explained, adding “they are all genuinely my students and deserving a second chance. Through what I learned at Sullivan, I am getting that chance.”

When deans at Rio Salado College interviewed Jon, they knew him hiring him was an opportunity to greatly improve their program which consisted of just one hot foods class. “I believe I have received education from one of the best culinary schools in the US. I patterned my program after the one,” he knows best,” he said.

Sullivan’s Community Chef Jon continued, “there is now a Basic Skills culinary class, much like what I had learned and experienced at Sullivan, CCE, and a Gande Manger class, where I will attempt to put all of the knowledge that Chef Tom Hickey, CCE, CCF, CFC, CHE, passed on to me. I hope to make my International Culinary class half as entertaining as Chef Allen Akmom, CCE, CHE, made hers. I have an Academy of Culinary Education online, I think is one of the best things I’ve ever done.”

“Chef, you have given me a wonderful chance at a new beginning. You made this a wonderful experience and it will always remain with me.”

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Sullivan University’s program, rewriting both menus for the US. I patterned my program after the current program, and it is so much more than you would have ever expected.” He concluded. “I’ve never done any of this for any reason other than that a love of the culinary arts. If just one student makes the grade, then I know that thanks to Sullivan University, I have made a difference.”

Chefs and Sullivan University guest chefs and Sullivan University generously provided the supplies needed for their presentations.

Impressive background

Chef Tucker has also won many “toques.” When he graduated, he relocated to Dallas, Texas and worked for Chef Tom Hickey, CCE, CCF, at the Mansion on Turtle Creek, a five star/five diamond restaurant. Several years later he moved to downtown Seattle to work at the Painted Table with James Beard award-winner Tim Kelly. Missing home, he returned to Louisville. “It’s within five hours of my home,” and worked as a research & development chef. Tucker later headed Sullivan University’s annual holiday dinner. “Sullivan University provides a full Thanksgiving meal – it’s been that way for many years and we are all thankful,” stated Chef Tucker. Chef Mudd supplied lesson plans and Power Point outlines for basic culinary skills. He also assisted Timothy with a course outline along with practical tips for teaching with limited resources. Both Mudd Graham are great people with the hearts of social workers. Both chefs definitely went beyond the call of duty and are truly capable in just one rotation taking away years of learning the opposite. What I have learned is invaluable to even the most seasoned or upcoming chefs and to work with others and accepting help with grace and kindness is something I will never forget. You do a job for well done.”

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Chef. You make me look into myself to find you gave me a new direction in life and a purpose to drive for more. I can’t begin to thank you enough for all the patience, time and money for the extra steps in carpe diem.”

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“Congratulations! Chef Sonnenschmidt has joined the Executive Board of the World Association of Chefs’ Societies (WACS), the Honorable Order of Chaine de Rotissiers, and too many more to list. Chef Sonnenschmidt is the author of four (soon to be five) books: The Professional Art of Garde Manger, Dining with Sherlock Holmes (a must read for hospitality professionals), Taste and Tales of a Chef, Stories and Recipes, and The American Harvest and TV appearances on PBS “Grilling Meats” and “Seasonings.”

Chef Sonnenschmidt’s presentation centered on using basic fundamentals of cooking as a guide to culinary success. He prepared a simple menu of boneless breast of chicken with a fabulous herbal cream sauce, wilted baby spinach, and garlic mashed potatoes. His presentation was elegant, simple, striking and demonstrated how an otherwise simple meal could be prepared using only ‘fundamentals of cooking.’

Chef Sonnenschmidt has joined the Sullivan family of professional chefs, sharing his expertise with us as a Distinguished Visiting Chef.

Bon Appetit,

Walter E. Rhea, CMPC, CCE, CCE, AAC, Director, Center for Hospitality Studies
Culinary students contribute unique seasonings in class

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“At Winston’s we try to promote and market the restaurant by entering competitions like this,” stated Justin. “Winning is not only great for me, but also for the University. For the last two years (editor’s note: Winston’s bartender Brian Stillwaugh won in 2005) we offer the best Mint Julep in the city. I invite everyone to come and try it.”

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