Sullivan students enjoyed their "Olympic experience"
Graduation - the culmination of dreams come true!

Almost 3,000 graduates, family and guests gathered at the magnificent Southeast Christian sanctuary on a beautiful Saturday morning April 6, 2002 to celebrate the conferring of Certificates, Diplomas, Associates, Bachelor's, and Master's degrees to graduates of Sullivan University's Fall and Winter quarters.

Sullivan's commencement ceremonies are unique!

Because of Sullivan University's year-round four quarter schedule, the University holds two major graduation ceremonies each year. One in April for Fall and Winter quarter graduates and one in October for the Spring and Summer quarter graduates rather than making the graduates wait until May of each year as do so many other universities.

The familiar sounds of Pomp and Circumstance rang out from the organ across the magnificent auditorium as thousands of proud family and friends in the sanctuary rose as one, to their feet, and as the TV cameras beamed a close-up photo on the Jumbotron screen of each graduate as he or she came, one by one, down the aisle.

U.S. congressman spoke!

The graduation ceremony was highlighted by the commencement address by Sixth District United States Congressman, Dr. Ernie Fletcher.

Dr. Fletcher gave a challenge to the graduates to have values and standards in their personal and professional lives. A message from the Sullivan faculty was presented by Professor David Johnson and a message from graduates presented by graduate Dwight Wells.

"Step - turn left - smile!"

President Dr. A.R. Sullivan presented each graduating graduate with his or her Diploma or Degree. You could hear him say to some continued on page 5

Graduation, Spring 2002

Stephanie Carney and Blake Bowers. Fort Knox campus were eager to receive their Bachelor of Science degrees in Business Administration.

"I just returned from taking part in Sullivan University's graduation on April 6, 2002. I cannot express in written words how much it meant to me to take part in it . . .

The gown, hood, medallion and hat with tassel served as the pinnacle event of my two and a half year quest for my B.S. . . .

I can honestly say that in my entire life I have never been part of an event where I felt so proud of the University, fellow classmates and myself. I am proud to be an alumnus of Sullivan University."

Blake Bowers

"Stop - turn your head to the left - and smile!" as he posed each graduate for that important one-time photo as they officially graduated from Sullivan University.

Thirteen Graduate School students received either a Master of Business Administration (MBA) Degree or a Master of Science in Managing Information Technology (MSMIT) Degree. Members of the graduate faculty took turns presenting each one with their official "graduate degree hood" in a formal ceremony.

With lots of waving, and cheers rang out across the massive room and with a toss of the tassel from right to left, the graduates proudly marched out and on their way to successful and profitable futures.

Left: Excerpt from a letter written by Blake Bowers to President Dr. A.R. Sullivan

Seated on stage were Sullivan University staff members (left to right) Dr. Jim Watkins, Dean of Undergraduate Studies at the main campus, Barbara Dean, Director, Fort Knox campus, Dr. Jeff Johnson, Dean of the Graduate School, Dr. Stephen Cappock, Executive Vice President/CEO, United States Congressman Ernie Fletcher, Dr. Jim Ploskonka, Executive Director, Lexington campus, and Jim Klein, main campus Director of the Evening Division, who shared a light moment as President, Dr. A.R. Sullivan introduced Congressman Fletcher.
International Center for Dispute Resolution at Sullivan University

Sullivan University has recently established the “International Center for Dispute Resolution” (ICDR), located on the University’s main campus in Louisville, KY. Recognizing conflict is a natural occurrence in our lives and work; the Center offers programs and training in conflict management, communication skills and leadership development. Plans are underway to develop a national and international certification for Mediation and Dispute Resolution.

The Center has retained Dr. Tony Belak, J.D. to serve as Executive Director. Dr. Belak is the former Senior Dispute Resolution Counsel for the Department of Veterans Affairs, and is recognized as a national leader in establishing mediation programs within the framework of the workplace.

The Center is another part of Sullivan’s continual commitment to the business community and offers training in the areas most needed by businesses today.

Sullivan University offers both a certificate program and a graduate degree option in the increasingly important area of conflict resolution.

For more information, call The Center at (502) 456-0019, via e-mail at tbelak@sullivan.edu or visit the web site at ICDR.Sullivan.edu.
Institute for Legal Studies celebrates 20 years of success!

The Institute for Legal Studies at Sullivan University in Louisville recently celebrated the 20th anniversary of its first graduating class. Since 1981, nearly 1,000 students have graduated from a variety of legal studies programs offered at Sullivan University.

In the beginning...

The history of the Legal Studies academic programs has been one of innovation and growth. In 1990, the prestigious American Bar Association (ABA) granted approval to Sullivan University's Legal Studies programs, recognizing the quality of education received by all Sullivan Legal Studies students.

Curriculum expands

Since receiving ABA approval, the Institute for Legal Studies added the bachelor's degree in Paralegal Studies and a Legal Nurse Consultant program.

Anniversary celebrated!

The 20-year milestone was commemorated at a very special dinner meeting of the Legal Studies advisory board and faculty, held at Winston's, Sullivan's 3½ star gourmet restaurant located on the main Sullivan campus. In addition to the judges, lawyers, paralegals, legal nurse consultants, students and others who make up the advisory board and faculty, special guests in attendance included Dr. A.R. Sullivan, President of the University, and Karen Kutz, formerly paralegal program director at Sullivan.

President Sullivan expressed his pleasure with the strides the Legal Studies department has made over the years, acknowledging the work and dedication of all the faculty and administrators involved and noted the extraordinary length of service of most of the Legal Studies faculty and Nicholas Riggs, current Director of Legal Studies.

Program continues to evolve

Riggs, Director of the Legal Studies department for nearly 15 years, gave an abridged history of the Institute for Legal Studies, connecting the growth of the programs with important world and national historical events.

Riggs also pointed to advances in technology and how Sullivan University has provided students exceptional access to computerized legal research databases, such as Westlaw and Lexis-Nexis.
All MBA graduate courses now ONLINE!

All the courses needed to complete the Master of Business Administration (MBA) program at Sullivan University are now offered online on a rotational basis, giving Sullivan University graduate level students even greater flexibility in completing their program. This is the University’s latest effort to provide better service to its students who may need to do their course work outside a normal class schedule.

Five specialized options

Sullivan’s Master of Business Administration (MBA) graduate students may select their three elective courses in a single area to form a concentration in either Management Information Systems, Human Resource Management, Management Skills, Dispute Resolution or Leadership.

Two master’s degrees now offered

Sullivan University’s Graduate School also offers the Master of Science in Managing Information Technology (MSMIT) degree designed to help current Information Technology (IT) professionals meet the management challenges created by the rapidly changing landscape of that industry. All courses needed to complete the MSMIT degree will also be offered online on a rotational basis by the end of the year.
Get ready for the Job Fair!

Left, Don Cassidy, Director of People Placement and Relation from Rescare, Incorporated was delighted to meet Sullivan alumni Kim Childress while right, Chef Jim Gerhardt, Seelbach-Hilton Hotel outlines employment opportunities to Ann Wyatt at the last on-campus Job Fair.

Is your resumé up-to-date? The next Sullivan University job fair is right around the corner!

Twice a year, the University presents unique on-campus employment opportunities for students and alumni. The Job Fair is held every April and the Career Fair occurs in October.

Argosy Casino & Hotel, The Galt House, Sears, MelDisco, GE Appliances, Western Southern Life, UPS (United Parcel Services), Papa Johns International, National Processing Company, Soft-Temps Worldwide Computer Services, and the Kentucky State Department for Public Advocacy are just a few of the prestigious companies expected to be on campus April 26. Employers who attend come for one reason and that reason is to hire Sullivan grads!

Prior to the event the Graduate Employment Services (GES) office conducted a workshop to prepare graduates and current students on resumés, and interviewing techniques. Attendees received sample cover letters, reference sheets, and thank you letters.

Questions? Call the GES office at 502/459-3535, 800/844-1354 or stop by the office located across from the administrative offices on the University’s main campus.
In 2002: more students choose Sullivan University!

Sullivan University began Fall of 2000 with a total enrollment of 3,995 students; it began Fall of 2001 with 4,422 students! And the Spring quarter 2002 enrollment has a record enrollment again! What's even more impressive is that this increase occurred at a time when many colleges were either losing enrollments or struggling just to maintain current enrollment from year to year. But at Sullivan University, more new students have enrolled, more current students are continuing from quarter to quarter, and more persons who had to stop their studies for one reason or another have returned.

Quick year round schedule popular

Sullivan students report that they like the idea of taking more classes each quarter and accelerating their completion time... they know "time (really) is money!" By completing three to nine months earlier than at other colleges, graduates can be on the job sooner, earning good wages earlier, earning benefits earlier, and getting job promotions earlier.

Plus Fridays a real "PLUS"

Sullivan University offers day courses Monday-Thursday with Friday mornings reserved for professional tutorial assistance as needed. Through the years, this unique service has assisted many students and helping them master the challenges presented by advanced career training. With every full-time day faculty member available on Friday mornings, every student can get the assistance he or she needs to complete the accelerated education with the highest possible level of skills.

Students say Stair-Step Curriculum is the greatest!

Students also report that they appreciate the unique Sullivan approach to program development that allows them to begin with a diploma, then continue onto an associate degree, and then to a bachelor's degree, and if they choose, on to a master's degree, all at Sullivan University and with maximum credit transfer from one level to the next. Progress is limited only by ambition and in some cases, life circumstances.

As one student stated, "At Sullivan, you can see the light at the end of the tunnel which keeps me focused on my goal of a better job and better life."
College Success Skills

Sullivan University’s College Success Skills course is designed to help students think critically as they develop the library research skills and basic learning skills they will need to be competitive in today’s world.

The library research section, called Information Literacy, involves a four-week project which introduces the students to the modern technology of database research. All students receive hands-on training under faculty supervision. “The training assists them in all of their classes,” said instructor Nicole Gotschall, “and rapidly brings them into the 21st century.”

Students who can benefit from a review of English and math, plus further study of time management, goal setting, and college-level study skills, are tutored in small groups as well.
ALUMNI NEWS

Child Care Management Degree
Sullivan graduate named daycare center director

Dreams really do come true at Sullivan U!

Sullivan University made a dream come true for Kristie Rice, director of "A Place for Kids" child care center.

Kristie graduated from Sullivan in June 1999 as a Certified Professional Nanny and earned her Associate Degree in Child Care Management in December of 2000.

Real Life education "works" for Sullivan students

Kristie received valuable real life managerial experience through Sullivan University's Child Care Management Externship IV practicum when she shadowed Baptist East Childcare Development Center's Director Jennifer Lage and the Center's Manager Stacy Mattingly.

From her "mentors" Kristie received valuable guidance on the day-to-day operation of the Baptist East Center. During her three month externship, Kristie assisted with scheduling of the employees, organizing an Open House and picture day, decorating hallways and bulletin boards.

After completing the Child Care Management Program, she learned of an opening for a daycare center director at a brand new facility. Kristie said, "My Sullivan portfolio got me the job!"

Required portfolio was a great asset

A requirement for all Child Care Management majors, their portfolio includes valuable information on developing and compiling mock forms for centers, producing both staff and parent handbooks, a complete business plan and many other documents necessary if the student plans to own a daycare center.

As director of "A Place for Kids," Kristie was instrumental in setting up the new center. Her managerial responsibilities included ordering and purchasing office equipment and children's educational toys in addition to writing job descriptions for the workers she would hire. Her portfolio was a valuable guide to establish and complete all these arduous tasks.

Sullivan graduate hires another Sullivan grad!

Kristie's first priority was hiring an assistant director and she sought Lori Boley another 1999 graduate from Sullivan's Professional Nanny Program. Their education from Sullivan University prepared them for their new professions, and they have realized their dreams of a child care management career, enjoying the opportunity to help children learn and grow.

For information about Sullivan's careers in Child Care Management, call 502/456 6505 and ask for Angela Wilson, director.

Armfuls of love

Holding children from "A Place for Kids" child care center are Sullivan University graduates Kristie Rice, Director and Lori Boley, Assistant Director of the center.
Dr. Charles “Randy” Nichols
Associate Dean of Online Instruction

Dr. Charles (Randy) Nichols’ only focus is developing new online courses and programs for Sullivan University’s rapidly expanding Distance Education Programs. Working with faculty and staff, Dr. Nichols is striving to create a world class quality virtual learning environment at Sullivan University.

A wealth of experience
In addition to a Master’s degree in Public Affairs/Human Resources, a Doctorate in Business Management/Entrepreneurship, and a vast background in education, he holds two online instructor certifications, and has extensive online teaching experience.

Dr. Nichols, says "Distance learning is a phenomenon that is just beginning to mushroom."

Distance education is logical step for students
College enrollment will continue to grow over the next decade as more adults return to school having realized the necessity of continuous learning in this knowledge-based economy. Learning via the Internet removes the space limits associated with a physical structure. Not everyone can take classes at a specific location due to either geography, family responsibilities, work, or military service, and online learning is an exciting solution that removes these barriers.

Sullivan University offers online courses in Computer Science, Human Resource Leadership, Hospitality Management, Child Care Education and Legal Studies. Students can also earn their Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree with concentrations in Management Information Systems, Human Resource Management, Management Skills and Entrepreneurship or obtain a Master of Science in Managing Information Technology (MSMIT) via the Internet.

Web-assisted classes also available
Students wary about diving right in to an online class can “test the waters” in a virtual classroom by choosing from a number of web-assisted courses. While courses still involve some classroom sessions, the course syllabus, classroom assignments, instructions, and other course material can be accessed online and assignments can be conveniently submitted to the instructor over the Internet.

Dr. Nichols’ plans to establish a premier virtual learning community at Sullivan, providing students with a rich learning environment that is relevant, engaging, and memorable.

As Dr. Nichols’ states, “My goal is to position Sullivan so that when people think of distance education, they think of Sullivan University.”
WELCOME

ANTONIA THOMAS, DIRECTOR OF HOUSING

Antonia Thomas, the Director of Student Housing and Residence Life at Sullivan University, has assumed leadership of the housing division, averaging over 250 students from Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Texas, Tennessee, Missouri, Florida, and other states and foreign countries.

Ms. Thomas completed her Bachelor of Science degree in Business Education at Western Kentucky University and is currently pursuing her MBA degree. She has taught at the secondary and post secondary levels and has been recognized locally and nationally at various business related conferences for her leadership and service skills.

In her spare time, Ms. Thomas enjoys photography, time with family and outdoor activities.

Stop by the administrative office and meet with Ms. Thomas for more information about Sullivan University sponsored housing or other housing options in the community.
Sullivan University hosts annual Paralegal Roundtable Discussion

Practicing paralegals from the Louisville legal community recently joined with students from The Institute for Legal Studies at Sullivan University for the 11th consecutive Paralegal Roundtable Discussion. This annual event provides an opportunity for students to meet and network with legal professionals who are willing to share their time and expertise.

Two of the featured speakers are Sullivan grads!

The three paralegals who participated in the roundtable discussion were: Susan Wettle (Sullivan graduate), Assistant Director of Legal Research/Litigation with the Jefferson County Attorney’s Office, Melanie O’Grady (Sullivan graduate), Litigation Paralegal with the law office of Frost, Brown, Todd, LLC also President of the Louisville Association of Paralegals and Dana Martin, Senior Litigation Paralegal with the law office of Greenbaum, Doll & McDonald.

Wettle, O’Grady and Martin each took turns explaining their role at their place of employment covering such topics as job responsibilities, area of law practiced, work environment (contact with other paralegals, judges, attorneys, law clerks, secretaries, etc.), positive/negative aspects of the job, and opportunities for advancement. Students attending the roundtable discussion were able to ask questions, and received candid and direct answers from the speakers. The forum was a great eye-opener for the students and will help them to evaluate their future employment opportunities.

Left to right, guest speakers and practicing paralegals Susan Wettle, Dana Martin and Melanie O’Grady enjoyed their roles at the annual Paralegal Roundtable Discussion. Sullivan alums Wettle and O’Grady felt right at home!
Class goes to court!

Medical Law and Ethics, MSS 204 class helps students to understand the position of the medical employee in relation to law, ethics, bioethics, and most importantly patient confidentiality. They also learn the foundation for ethical behavior and decision making while treating all patients with empathy and impartiality once in the workplace.

This quarter, students participated in a mock trial based on a malpractice case, "The Verdict." The students were assigned specific roles and were graded on the thoroughness, preparation, and presentation of the case.

APPROACH THE BENCH!
(l-r) prosecuting attorney Dawn Towner and defense attorney Alona Pointer confer with Judge Jim Perkins (doesn’t he look serious?) Seated is Jennifer Carter, witness.

“Everyone did an excellent job portraying their character and preparing their case,” said Jeanie Durbin, instructor. I was very proud of their effort.”


In order to have a jury and a judge, Mr. Perkins’ Litigation (Civil and Criminal) paralegal class was asked to participate the day of the mock trial as the jury. They made an excellent jury and only deliberated a short time although they were not prepared on the facts of the case in advance.

Student (and prosecuting attorney) Dawn Towner, said, "I really enjoyed the class and it helped me understand how easy facts can be twisted without the proper documentation. I also learned how much research and time is involved in preparing a case for trial.”
Information technology students gain an edge with real-world experience

In today's business world, Information Technology professionals have an increasingly important role. Companies look to them not only for support, but also for reengineering processes, training employees, and to research potential problems. To be prepared for the workforce, an analyst must be able to evaluate information in the environment, to identify solutions, and develop precise documentation to support their position.

Hands-on experience

Through group participation, CSC 364 Systems Analysis and Design, part of the Bachelor of Science in Information Technology (BSIT) degree, provides the student with hands-on experience analyzing business projects for local companies.

Each group is responsible for selecting a local business to analyze, conducting business interviews with the management team, and coming up with solutions to real business problems.

Sullivan students are better prepared

Businesses welcome the students' fresh ideas and learn from the analysis process. Students work with real-world conditions that can be used to assist them in making career decisions.

When the class is completed, Sullivan's Information Technology students are better prepared for the work force and the skills

Above, Brian Haury has enjoyed being a member of the Systems Analysis and Design class and shares his experience below.

"In the Systems Analysis and Design class, I learned how hard it is to put a project together and come up with a proposal on how to improve a company.

After working as part of a group, I learned about how to do scope documents and process flow charts, which is similar to a regular flow chart but more detailed and how to predict the time it takes to start a project and then finish, called a pert chart. The class was enjoyable and I now feel more confident about creating proposals to improve a company's project.

I am currently employed at PowerLearn Technologies, working on developing a site for distance education. Most of the Sullivan University classes I have taken, including the Systems Analysis and Design class, helped to get that position. I was really thrilled that I found a job where I could use the talents and skills that I had learned at Sullivan. I plan to stay at Sullivan, continue my education and further
Giving others the Gift of Life

Sullivan University has been committed to the Red Cross for over 10 years and each quarter Sullivan students, faculty and staff reach their goal of donating blood in excess of 35 units.

The Sullivan community came out in record numbers for last quarter’s Blood Drive. First time donor, Natasha Cuesta said this year she just felt a need to “help out and help others.” Catering major Anne Schwieterman, graduating this month, said, “My fiancé is a firefighter and Sept. 11th made us all realize that life is fragile and we all got to do our part to preserve life.”

Above, first-time donor, Natasha Cuesta, proudly holds the tee-shirt received for her blood donation. While Phil Johnson (above) relaxes while giving blood. Anne Schwieterman (far left) shows a unit of donated blood.

Michelle Yokie, Culinary Arts major, and Phil Johnson, second quarter Culinary Student normally give blood whenever they can.

A special thanks to all the students, faculty and staff for giving the precious gift of life!
**Herb Garden**

**When we say fresh, we mean fresh!**

Students enrolled in Sullivan’s renowned culinary program, not only have the opportunity to learn on the finest equipment in the industry, but also use the freshest ingredients. Over ten years old, the herb garden is the brainchild of Chef Thomas Hickey CEC, CFE, CCE, CHE, Culinary Chair. Over 20 different herbs are grown in the garden each spring and used throughout all the kitchens. The care and maintenance of the garden is rotated with every class.

In the on-campus herb garden, Culinary student Danny Tallent and Chef Hickey harvest sweet basil. New plantings this spring will soon be blooming!

Specialized herbs are grown upon request from Chef John Castro, executive chef of Winston’s, the University’s on-campus 3.5 star gourmet restaurant.
GRADUATE SCHOOL:
A personal perspective
by John Conway, Class of 2000

College graduates by the hundreds are entering the workforce. To be successful in this competitive environment, you must have the drive, desire and dedication to do your best and you must standout.

“Sullivan University’s Master of Business Administration (MBA) program was the catalyst for my success.”

It takes a certain type of person to be an MBA student. The traits needed to rise as a business star (dedication, drive and desire) will not only help you succeed, but as an MBA student, you will refine these skills that set you apart from others and move up to the next level.

But, I did not enroll because of an urge to better myself or because my employer was paying for it or because I had a lot of time on my hands. I enrolled because I was told I could not have something I desired, something for which I was the most qualified, a job that should have been mine... decided that I would never again find myself in the position of being the most qualified but failing an MBA. I needed to set myself apart from the others... I was determined never to pursue a graduate degree.

Sullivan’s Graduate School changed my perceptions!

Part of the reasons for choosing Sullivan were because it was convenient to my place of employment, because I perceived it to be easy and because the counselor said that the food in the cafeteria was much better at Sullivan! What I found on the first night of classes changed all of my perceptions.

First, it is not easy. To pursue a graduate degree you must be committed to that and little else. It requires study and research, planning and presenting, convincing, conveying and doing it repeatedly until it is right. There is group and individual work, term papers and tests and always multiple textbooks per class. But I was in class with my peers – all trying to juggle school with work and family. We understood each other’s problems and could empathize with each other’s worries. The classes are small enough that individual attention is given and diverse enough that a difference of opinion is always present. The doctorate staff teaches through experience. Textbook theory is presented in today’s business environment and the projected business environment of the future.

Many things have changed since I received my MBA!

My boss now selects me for assignments requiring the most foresight and planning... These assignments directly affect the profitability and long term success of the corporation which determines my annual bonus. The greater result is the confidence that I have gained in myself. Since receiving my degree, I applied for and accepted an appointment as a Forum Fellow for the Louisville Courier-Journal. I have begun teaching and lecturing at church. I am more involved in my children’s education, and soon will become a member of the mentoring program. In addition, I am on the Sullivan University Alumni Association board of directors.

“The poise and confidence I gained as a Sullivan MBA graduate and the workplace skills that I have refined, have made a difference in my life – I’m ahead of others in my field!”
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Human Resource Information System Coordinator
Jedeco of Bardstown
Bardstown, KY

Damon Herrensmith
Southern HS, KY
Service Analyst
High Speed Access
Louisville, KY

LeeAnne Hilliard
Bethlehem HS, KY
Legal Secretary
Robert E. Butler, Attorney
Bardstown, KY

Mark Bastin
Henry County HS, KY
Accountant
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Louisville, KY

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Jesse de Diego HS, PR
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Marshfield, OH

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Accounting Manager
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Nancy Castellano
Falmouth HS, NY
Assistant Manager
Aztec Restaurant
Louisville, KY

* The star indicates alumni placement assistance from the Sullivan Graduate Employment Services Department
...More Graduate Success Employment

This is only a partial listing of recent Sullivan University graduates employment success.

Margaret Pitcock
Elizabethtown HS, KY
Collections Manager, Nephrology Associates
Louisville, KY

Brandi Jones
Darritt HS, KY
Accounts Payable Specialist
Louisville, KY

Gary Kaiser
New Albany HS, IN
Senior Technical Analyst
Sears Credit
Louisville, KY

Kristie Key
Bullitt Central HS, KY
Administrative Assistant
Office Team
Louisville, KY

Sandra Lamp
Valley HS, KY
Project Director
Bellsouth

Alex Marshall
South Oldham HS, KY
Computer Operator, The Rawlings Company
Louisville, KY

Deborah Still
Moores County HS, KY
IT Administrator
Bullitt County Baptist Homes for Children
Louisville, KY

Edward Long
Subbuteo Academy, AR
Tech Support Specialist
First Data Corporation
Englewood, CO

Mary Beth Maddox
Mercy Academy, KY
Associate Auditor
Bank of Louisville
Louisville, KY

Margaret Preston
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Integrator
United Parcel Service
Louisville, KY

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Jenny's
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Baptist Hospital East
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OCD Data
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Bandy-Carroll-Felker
Adairville, KY

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Paralegal
Prickett, Bergonze, Miller, Woodard
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Sales Associate
Global Aviation Navigator
Louisville, KY

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Danae Stallard
Lee County HS, KY
Business Solutions Specialist
Sprint Communications
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James Bass
Hunters Lane HS, TN
Line Cook
Marquis Restaurant
Louisville, KY

Kristie Key
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Administrative Assistant
Office Team
Louisville, KY

Lucas Lee
Marshall County HS, KY
Kitchen Supervisor
Jillians
Louisville, KY

Amanda Thompson
Pleasure Ridge HS, KY
Paralegal
Morris Garlowe, Waterman & Johnson, Attorneys
Louisville, KY

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Sullivan University chef/instructor wins prestigious Le Cordon Bleu scholarship!

Sullivan University’s National Center for Hospitality Studies is proud to announce that Chef Albert Schmid, CCC, CCE, CHE, CCP has won the coveted Le Cordon Bleu scholarship offered by the International Association of Culinary Professional Foundation for a Master of Arts degree in Gastronomy to Adelaide University in Australia.

The scholarship will cover most of the study which Chef Schmid plans to undertake online. The classes for the degree cover culinary history, wine and food production, and wine and food tourism. Chef Schmid will also produce a 15,000 to 18,000 word dissertation in the final component of the degree. The degree is offered by a joint effort of Adelaide University and the Le Cordon Bleu Cooking Schools of Paris, France.

“I am thrilled,” said Chef Schmid, “Sullivan University has allowed me to grow so much since I have been here. This study will allow me to grow even more.”

A busy teacher

Chef Schmid is a chef-instructor in the Culinary Arts Department and has been employed by Sullivan University for three years. He teaches Advanced Culinary Techniques and Wines, Beers and Spirits on campus and Food and Beverage Cost Control and Hospitality Supervision online. Chef Schmid holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Charter Oak State College in New Britain, CT.
Sullivan University’s Annual Ski Trip didn’t let the unseasonably warm weather be a deterrent and 60 students made their way to the slopes in nearby Paoli, Indiana. After getting skis, snowboards and poles, some students went right to the slopes while others took advantage of free ski and snowboarding instruction. Later that day the students headed back to the lodge for lunch, and swap ski war stories while sipping hot chocolate!

KRISHNA ALLEN  BILLIE JO SHELTON

Hi Ho Hi Ho! It’s off to ski we go!

ROSE MOORE  JORDAN KHARIZANOR  JOHNATHAN POWELL  GINA CONNOLLY
Record attendance at Annual Spring

Jam Festival & Cookout

Last year, perfect spring weather drew more than 450 students, staff, and faculty to the annual on-campus Jam Festival and Cookouts. Everyone was invited to play on stage – music from bongos, guitar, drums, keyboard, and singing filled the air. The Student Activities Committee (SAC) sponsored a Sullivan Basketball Tournament and “Lisa’s Hot Boys” won by two baskets – everyone was on the edge of their seats! The cookout was better than ever – all you can eat barbeque ribs, brats, and hamburgers with potato salad, pasta salad and chips on the side.

Mark your calendars! The Jam Festival is scheduled for May 15.
The Love Game

On Valentine’s Day, Sullivan’s Student Activities Committee (SAC) sponsored “The Sullivan Love Game,” which was a huge hit with students, faculty and staff. Four couples competed in the University’s version of the Newlywed Game. Chris Ernst, Associate Dean of Students, posed as Sullivan’s version of Bob Eubanks and asked contestants some tough questions. The couples, armed with pillows, had to answer questions about their “significant other” and hope their mate was able to match their response. Couples having trouble matching answers usually had a face full of pillow courtesy of their better half. All couples put up a valiant effort and had everyone in stitches! The winning couple (by a landslide!) was Jane and Jack Nally who received dinner for two from Winston’s Restaurant, a movie ticket package from National Amusement, and a hot tub session from Kentucky Hot Tubs. All the participants received candy chocolates and a tape of the show. This program was hilarious and gave everyone a chance to know some fun loving couples!
More than 90 students, faculty and staff rolled out to participate in Sullivan's Bowling Funfest. Some teams even had their own bowling shirts – talk about a very impressive display of team unity! Everyone had a great time – this has the making of a great new quarterly event.

Above, standing left to right: Trice Fletcher, Wilneathia Banks & Carleen Williams. Seated: Tiffany Hunter and Lakeisha Graham

Left to right: Adam “Triple B” Barna, Jack Nally, Shannon “Billy Bob” Stevens, Jaron Brounson and David Bates.
You are getting sleepy!

**MASTER HYPNOTIST DR. WAND RETURNS**

Students became enamoured with their shoes. Only trouble was they couldn’t agree on what to use them for: a telescope or a phone!

Dr. Jim Wand, one of the best hypnotic performers in the business, returned to Sullivan for the fourth time, giving the Sullivan campus another hilarious performance, because when Dr. Wand comes to Sullivan anything is possible! Students under Dr. Wand’s hypnotic trance were the entertainment of the night. We had Shania Twain, Destiny’s Child, the Crocodile Hunter and even fishy martians on stage. Thanks to all the good sports who participated and the Student Services office for this fun event!

Wrestling a fierce alligator
“I got him right where I want him!”

Here fishy, fishy!

“That’s not mine! I didn’t do that!”
Blue River Canoe Trip

Each year a busload of Sullivan students descends on Blue River in Indiana and enjoy warm summer day floating down the river, enjoying scenic landscape and the quiet calming noise of some small running rapids.

Halfway through the seven mile trip students stop on sand bars and eat lunch. After paddling through the last limestone bluffs, students can take a little swim before it’s time to pack up and head home.
Sullivan University held its first Pumpkin Carving Contest and the results were impressive! Morgan Brady and Vicki Spearman won the contest with a carving of a skeleton, winning $50. Becky McGarey won second place with her own artistic version of a shadowed face. Jamie Jenkins won third place with her carved cat. All participants did a wonderful job of being creative! (Although the culinary students had a definite edge on the competition!)

1 First place winner Vicki Spearman and Morgan Brady.

2 Pumpkin carving drew a lot of attention! Terri Powell, Administration stopped for a moment to watch Assistant Dean of Students Chris Ernst work.

3 Rosie Toney was happy to lend a hand to her pal.

4 Becky McCarey works on her pumpkin. Her design won her second place.
Once again the hallways and classrooms were filled with students (and staff) dressed as their favorite personalities and notorious creatures of the night. Everyone had a blast watching fellow classmates entertain with wild and outrageous costume performances. And no doubt the faculty enjoyed having classes that day too!

Charlie Eiler, Accounting proves that there’s a little bit of the kid in all of us as she happily blows bubbles.

There were so many contestants this past year that judging was held in stages! Winners were determined by audience applause as Assistant Dean of Students Chris Ernst pointed above each entrant.

Left, "shy" Shannon Stevens "dressed as Matt Folley from Saturday Night Live, performed a skit as a motivational speaker winning second place in the contest."
More and more Success and more...

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A bright new idea for Sullivan graduates!

The Job Matching System for the Graduate Employment Services (GES) department of Sullivan University has automated the matching of Sullivan graduates with employers. The system will allow graduates from around the world the opportunity to post their resume and qualifications for employers to view and graduates can search for local, nationwide, and even international jobs.

The system, developed by In Touch Communication with the assistance and input from Dr. Dotty Heady and the GES staff, lets Sullivan graduates maximize their employment potential when their resume can be viewed by all employers qualified and registered in the Job Matching System.

System benefits graduates and employers

Graduates, employers, and the GES staff are kept informed of the employment requests made by both employers and graduates and the system was designed so that no personal information for employers and graduates is distributed to one another unless approved by GES staff. Requests made by graduates and employers are filtered through the Placement Specialists in the GES office. The automated e-mail system keeps everyone informed of all employment requests.

Employers enter job orders and actively search the web-based database for graduates using the web-enabled matching mechanism. Graduates will use the system to search for employment and the GES staff will monitor all placement services and activities of this electronic process.
William E. Moore  
Ragen Independent HS, KY  
Pastry Chef  
Big Springs Country Club  
Louisville, KY

Linda Forde  
Butler HS, KY  
Computer Lab Technician  
Jefferson County Public Schools  
Louisville, KY

Nena Bukaer  
Marion County HS, KY  
Senior Programmer  
Louisville Building  
Louisville, KY

Laurie Clark  
Shelby County HS, KY  
Purchasing/traffic Manager  
Revare Packaging  
Shelbyville, KY

Juan Cox  
Saucoa HS, KY  
Senior Client Systems Manager  
Healthcare Recoveries Inc.  
Louisville, KY

Kristen Embry  
Nelson County, KY  
Assistant/Paralegal  
Ferrari & Fogel, Attorneys  
Louisville, KY

Darlene Ferry  
Meade County HS, KY  
Operations Manager  
Gaucle Kentucky  
Louisville, KY

Melissa Mitchell  
Inouss HS, KY  
Regional Terminal Support  
National Processing Corporation  
Louisville, KY

Tina Gillenwater  
Butler HS, KY  
Controller  
Stony Hold Products  
Louisville, KY

Luis Justiniano  
Los Rodriguez HS, PR  
Manager  
Humana  
Louisville, KY

Cynthia Kennedy  
Eastern HS, KY  
Assistant Manager  
Gayman's  
Louisville, KY

Alex Ford  
Western Hills HS, KY  
Cock  
Main Permits Grill  
Louisville, KY

Alisa Crandall  
Ines Creek HS, KY  
Sous Chef  
2's Oyster Bar & Steak House  
Louisville, KY

Clara Hook  
Davis County HS, KY  
Programmer/Analyst  
Kindred Healthcare  
Louisville, KY

Lisa Miller  
Eastern HS, KY  
Accountant  
RussCare, Incorporated  
Louisville, KY

Kimberly Brown  
Farmington HS, MD  
Baker/Pastry Cook  
Kroger  
Louisville, KY

Bill Warrick  
Providence HS, IN  
Chef/PKitchen Manager  
Kingrey Meat, Seafood & Catering  
Louisville, KY

Emma Huber  
Providence HS, IN  
Cabinet Maker  
Kingsley Meat, Seafood & Catering  
Louisville, KY

Robin Atwell  
Owensboro HS, KY  
Site Coordinator  
Millard Refrigerated Services  
Louisville, KY

James Glotzbach  
Jeffersonville HS, IN  
Internal Service Support  
Kindred Healthcare  
Louisville, KY

Rhonda Morgan  
Ballard HS, KY  
Contacts Administrative  
Fellow Medical  
Louisville, KY

Tina Medley  
McMinn HS, KY  
Bookkeeper/Cook  
Strong Hold Products  
Louisville, KY

They Nguyen  
St. Thomas HS, St. Thomas Island  
Administrative  
Trico Global Restaurants  
Louisville, KY

Laurel Parkhill  
Crawford County HS, IN  
St. Administrative Clerk  
Cola Cola  
Louisville, KY

Sherron Brooks  
Louisville Males HS, KY  
Diploma Processor  
Brown-Farrar Corporation  
Louisville, KY

Terri Bowes  
Covington County HS, KY  
Baker  
Duke-Depos Community  
Louisville, KY

Linda Fordyce  
Midway HS, KY  
Payroll Administration  
Foster Printing  
Louisville, KY

Sullivan University graduates get great jobs!
More and more Success and more ...

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Calvin Stasel
Hart County HS, KY
Web Project Leader
UPS Logistics
Louisville, KY

Kevin Trottas
Shelby County HS, KY
Master Scheduler
Eminence Speaker LLC
Eminence, KY

Cyndy Vertrees
Floyd Central HS, IN
Payroll Tax Analyst
Brown-Forman Corporation
Louisville, KY

David Wheatley
LaVernia HS, TX
Human Resources
Communications Specialist
UPS Logistics Group
Louisville, KY

Virginia Steinmaker
Ahrens HS, KY
Executive Assistant
Archdiocese of Louisville
Louisville, KY

Amber Workman
West Washington HS, IN
Sales & Marketing Coordinator
Creation Gardens
Louisville, KY

Michael Thomas
Trinity HS, KY
Promotions Assistant
The Mall St. Matthews
Louisville, KY

Denise Williams
Male HS, KY
Paralegal
United Parcel Service
Louisville, KY

Derrick Adams
Marlboro County HS, SC
Property Accountant
Tricon Global Restaurants
Louisville, KY

Kelly Timberlake
Dawson Spring HS, IN
Technology Coordinator
St. Mary's Catholic School
New Albany, IN

Deborah Pepper
Westport HS, KY
Paralegal
Mills Law Office
Versailles, KY

Virginia Wilson
Shawnee HS, KY
PC Applications Coordinator
Louisville Bedding
Louisville, KY

Dave Hinton
Brown HS, KY
General Manager
Quality Restaurant Supply
Louisville, KY

Donna Hodges
Fairdale HS, KY
Collections Analyst
ResCare, Incorporated
Louisville, KY

Jenny Bastin
Henry County HS, KY
Accountant
Kentucky Higher Education
Louisville, KY

☆ indicates recent graduate.
Using their nights to improve their days

Ranging in age from 20 to 59, the evening and weekend Culinary Arts students at Sullivan University are a creative and dedicated group of people. Each brings experience from other educational backgrounds and maturity from present and past employment. Because of the way the program is structured (one or two week nights and one Saturday or Sunday) students are able to juggle work, family, and school.

Meet Rick Sears!

Richard (Rick) Sears of Owensboro, KY, owner of Sears-Jago Construction, Inc., has successfully built and sold over 250 homes. Rick is also a man who loves to cook and finds the kitchen very friendly.

Building his success!

Now Rick will combine his success in the building industry with his love of culinary arts. Graduating in September of this year, he has already started developing a 3500 square feet restaurant in Owensboro, KY. Featuring a high-end deli operation, Rick’s skills, which he developed at Sullivan University’s National Center for Hospitality Studies, will help ensure that this business venture will be a success.

“Being a student in Sullivan’s evening and weekend culinary program has been an extremely beneficial and very rewarding experience,” Rick said.

In 1999, 20 new students enrolled in evening and weekend classes of Sullivan University’s new weekend Culinary Arts program. Today over 100 students from all walks of life have joined that charter group. A recent class was a perfect example of that diversity. Among the students

enrolled were a bus driver, prop cook, minister, veterinarian, warehouse worker, medical physicist, factory worker, and accountant. All are working toward their future in the hospitality industry as chefs, restaurant owners, and other food professionals.

CULINARY IS HIS PASSION!

Rick Sears, (left) often stops in to talk to Jim Kearfott, Admissions, Sullivan University’s National Center for Hospitality Studies. “Rick is in no way unique,” Kearfott said. “Every student in the night and weekend culinary program has their own special and inspiring story. Regardless of academic or work background each finds a common bond in a passion for food.”
and even more Success!

Michael Hansberry
Great Neck HS, NY
Technical Support Representative
Pegasus Communications
Louisville, KY

Jennifer Pope
Nelson County HS, KY
Program Manager
Mclane Food Services
Louisville, KY

Vera Sturgis
Ballard HS, KY
Instructor of Business
Methodist University
Fayetteville, North Carolina

Joy Magruder
Paoli Senior HS, IN
Financial Representative
Bloomington Hospital
Paoli, IN

Roger Roesler
North Knox HS, KY
Paralegal
Ferreri & Ferreri, Attorneys
Louisville, KY

Summer Reschar
Providence HS, IN
Paralegal
Pedley, Zielke, Gordinier Attorneys
Louisville, KY

Anne Michael
Calloway County HS, KY
Graduate School Assistant
Sullivan University
Louisville, KY

Vernon Purvis
Eminence Independence HS, KY
Bench Tech Consultant
UPS Logistics
Louisville, KY

Nanci Moxley
North Bullitt HS, KY
Law Clerk
Greenbaum, Doll, McDonald
Louisville, KY

Angela Oldham
Louisville Male HS, KY
Manager Trainee
Bank One Lock Box
Louisville, KY
Sullivan’s A+ Net+ program made changing careers an easy decision!

Ron Madden had considered a career change for some time, but was unsure about what he wanted to do. He did know however, that he was looking for something that would keep his interest.

“Computers have always fascinated me, but I had never spent much time around them,” said Ron.

Ron knew that he would need training before he could even consider a career in information technology, but “was at a loss about where to begin.”

Ron came across a newspaper ad for Sullivan University. “The ad really stuck in my mind, and I went out to the main campus,” Ron related. “After seeing what Sullivan had to offer, I decided that I would give it a try and this was one of the best decisions that I’ve ever made.”

Ron enrolled in the A+ Net+ Networking foundation courses to start, and then moved on into the Microsoft Network Engineer program. Now he is A+ certified, and will soon test for Net+ certification. Ron’s next and ultimate goal is to become a Microsoft Certified System Engineer.

Classes and faculty rate an “A+”

“The weekend classes have been perfect for my schedule,” said Ron. “Plus, the small class settings have made me feel really comfortable. The instructors and staff have always taken the time to help me through the areas that I didn’t understand, and offered their encouragement and support. My only regret is that I didn’t do this sooner.”

Sullivan University was the best decision!
Restaurant has a new star!

Paul Blakely, Winter 2002 graduate and assistant manager of Winston’s Restaurant, Sullivan University’s 3 1/2 star on-campus gourmet restaurant, achieved a career milestone, by obtaining his Certified Hospitality Supervisor (CHS) certificate, internationally-recognized by the American Hotel and Motel Association while still a student.

Sullivan University’s National Center for Hospitality Studies “Hospitality Management and Supervision,” class is a stepping stone to the CHS certification.

“The very indepth test for CHS certification is not easily passed but Sullivan’s Hospitality Management classes offer a great head start for people with little or no hospitality industry experience. Through the courses at Sullivan, I was highly prepared for the test. Often in college studies at other educational facilities, people ask themselves, ‘Where will I use this in the real world?’ With the CHS test I was able to answer that question, and every day at Winston’s, answer it again. Sullivan’s program has given me a headstart that no other school can give to its students!”
Weekend culinary program produces first grad!

Jeremy Ryan had no idea when he enrolled in Sullivan's weekend culinary arts degree program in June, 1999, that he would be the program's first graduate. "I am amazed," said Ryan, "but from the beginning of the program I had a goal and kept focused." Ryan added that he also received the support of his family. "I could not have done this without them."...

Ryan, is head caterer for ARAMARK at Louisville's Brown-Forman Corporation. During the nearly 33 months that Ryan was enrolled at Sullivan University's weekend culinary program, he worked full-time and, at some point, has held two jobs. "More than anything," he said, "I am relieved that I am finished with my degree so that I can spend more time with my family."

Culinary program designed for working adults

The evening/weekend culinary arts degree program at Sullivan University is spread over a 33 month (part-time attendance) period. Some classes and labs are offered on Thursday and Friday evenings; and many labs are taught all day on Saturdays, with new ones scheduled for Sunday this summer. Some lecture courses are also offered on the Internet via Sullivan University's Global Online distance education program. The high quality program has been a magnet for career changers and hobbyists, many who have advanced degrees, families and demanding, full-time jobs. Sullivan University has classes available all year and a new entering class of culinary students begins the program every quarter. (2002 Summer classes start June 24 - July 7, Fall classes begin September 23 - October 6, 2002)

For additional information, call Jim Kearfoot at 502/456-6505, or 800/844-1354,
Wow! What an exciting time these past few months have been. Last year I returned to Sullivan University, as Director of the National Center for Hospitality Studies. . . . I knew, from experience, that we were already very good. But the culinary faculty has now raised the standards of appearance, work ethic, and performance (in that order) so that NCHS students will be among the best employees in the nation upon graduation.

On another note, we are now in the process of reforming and growing the opportunities for the NCHS Culinary Competition Team. . . . We have expanded the opportunities to compete by adding the opportunity to enter regional and national recipe contests. Many branded companies (California Raisin Board, Rice-a-Roni, Tyson Foods, Custom Food Products, and on, and on . . . ) sponsor national recipe contests. The rewards for entering are many. First, and the most important, the student learns more than he or she would have simply by having to research, create, and test the recipes. Secondly, most of the companies offer cash prizes for best, second best and third best. Some companies pay for finalists to travel and prepare their recipes for a panel of judges in some pretty exciting venues. Custom Foods cook off was held at the American Culinary Federation's National Convention in Las Vegas. The winner received free registration and travel to the convention, a gold medal, $1500 in cash and a beautiful Masterpiece Award trophy. Rice-a-Roni's competition winner will receive $5000. The University and all who attend it will also benefit from the great free publicity that comes with winning these contests. Trust me, Sullivan students' names are going to show up on the list of competition winners.
First Sullivan University all-female culinary team won 5 silver medals at recent regional competition!

The proud Sullivan team members who competed in the American Culinary Federations’ recent Southeast Regionals are (front, left to right) Sheree Anthony, Sara Cobb and Michelle Anderson. (Back, left to right) Chef Kara Bitzane CHE, CEPC, instructor, Chef Scott Turner, CC, CPC, instructor, Johann Philfrey, Chef Derek Splendlove, CEPC, CCE, Chair, Baking & Pastry Arts, Marsha Lynch and Chef David Moeller, instructor.

Was the competition tough? You bet! No gold medals were awarded!
And the winners are . . .
Two Sullivan Hotel-Restaurant students honored at Salute to Excellence Forum

Hotel-Restaurant majors Anne Wyatt and Ryan O’Driscoll were honored at the annual National Restaurant Association’s Salute to Excellence student forum and awards banquet.

“It was a real honor to be selected as one of Sullivan’s student delegates,” said Anne Wyatt. “There were literally hundreds of students from some of the top hospitality schools in the United States attending this event.”

Student delegates were selected based on their overall grade point average, their industry work experience and commitment to the hospitality industry.

Students participated in the all-day forum held at the Chicago Hilton and Towers. The annual event gathers the best of the best – including industry leaders, top educators and outstanding students from across the country.

“I was truly impressed by it all,” said delegate and Sullivan student Ryan O’Driscoll. “I drew inspiration from the leaders that I met, and left there with a real zest for succeeding in this exciting and rewarding industry.”

A highlight of the event was the Ambassador’s Luncheon where students met some of the industry’s stellar leaders, including New Orleans’ famous Chef Paul Prudhomme and award-winning author Graham Kerr, best known as TV’s Galloping Gourmet.

In the evening, students attended a very elegant banquet in the Hilton’s Grande Ballroom where they received special recognition and a standing ovation when they entered the ballroom.

“I’d never seen anything like it,” said Wyatt. “It was awesome,” added O’Driscoll. “They really made us feel special in Chicago.”

Sullivan consistently represented

“This is the eighth year in a row that the NRA has invited us to select and send two student delegates to Chicago for this annual event,” said Hospitality Management department chair, Kerry Sommerville. “We always try to leave time in the students’ schedules so that they have an opportunity to visit some of Chicago’s more famous hotels as well as the NRA’s spectacular trade show. We will have two honorees again this year.”

National Restaurant Association honorees are Anne Wyatt, wearing the medal she received, is a Hyatt Regency Hotel intern and has wrapped up her associate degree in Hotel-Restaurant Management. She is now continuing her education at Sullivan and is working on her Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Studies degree.

Ryan O’Driscoll comes from Australia, and recently completed his associate’s degree in Hotel-Restaurant Management.
Sullivan students travel 5,000 miles each year!

FIRST STOP: Trip to Washington, DC & Baltimore was great success!

Armed with disposable cameras and over 60 instructor-inspired questions to answer, Sullivan’s Travel & Tourism and Hotel Restaurant Management students toured Washington, DC and Baltimore. The trip, which alternates between the nation’s capital and Boston, MA is included in the students’ tuition and fees.

“I’ve been to Washington before,” said student, Tyesha Denton, “but I’ve never seen the sites the way I did on this trip.”

Treasure hunt in disguise!

“Seeing the sites is an understatement,” said Kerry Sommerville, faculty chaperone and Chair of the Hotel/Restaurant Management department.

“Bettye Smothers, Chair of Travel & Tourism, developed in-depth questions which students could only answer by actually visiting and studying various museums, memorials, and statues — even the city’s transportation systems.

It became an intense cultural and historical treasure hunt for the students. The final ‘treasure’ in this hunt was a photographic portfolio each student turns in for a grade at the end of the spring quarter.”

Students began their adventure by chartered trolley on their first evening in the city. “The sightseeing tour allowed them to get their bearings” said Bettye Smothers, faculty chaperone.

“Washington is breathtaking at night.” The group visited the Iwo Jima, Lincoln and Vietnam War memorials, the haunting Korean War memorial, the FDR memorial and Washington Monument.

The group also experienced first-hand, many forms of intra- and intercity rail travel while on this trip. “Washington’s Metro is safe and modern,” said Smothers. “As part of their tour package, students are given a three-day subway pass allowing them to travel at will throughout the Washington metro area.”

Baltimore was next stop.

The second leg of the journey began in Washington’s Union Station where students boarded AMTRAK for a short 45-minute trip by rail to Baltimore. “I’ve never traveled by train before,” said student Sara Saulsbury. “It was a real positive experience for me.”

In Baltimore, the group was met by a chartered sightseeing tour which highlighted many famous attractions: Babe Ruth’s birthplace, the gravestone of Edgar Allen Poe, B&O Railroad Museum, and famous Fort McHenry, where students watched a historic and interesting film about the Star Spangled Banner.

The last stop was Baltimore’s spectacular Inner Harbor, home of the National Aquarium, shops, restaurants, and clubs.

“I loved Baltimore,” said student Jose Hernandez. “The city was large and beautiful.”

The students had several hours of free time to experience the Inner Harbor before heading to the International Airport for their return flight home, eagerly looking forward to experiencing more travel adventures!
Second Stop:

Fall tour & cruise continued despite 9/11 tragic events

Chances are you remember where you were on September 11, 2001. Thirty-seven travel and hospitality management students and their faculty chaperones were aboard Royal Caribbean Cruise Line's MS Viking Serenade.

“We had just arrived in the port of Ensenada, Mexico,” said chaperone, Kerry Sommerville, Hotel/Restaurant Management Chair. “While we were waiting for the Mexican officials to clear the ship, that morning's tragic events unfolded on TVs in our ship’s cabins.”

Chaperones went to an Internet cafe where they were able to dash off an e-mail message to university officials, letting them know that the group was fine—albeit a bit shaken up.

“I’ll never forget the look on the townspople’s faces as Ensenada that morning,” said travel student, Randall Shiner. “They were so sad for us.”

The ship left Ensenada on schedule, bound for the United States and the Port of San Diego.

“Things got a little eerie as the ship made its way into San Diego harbor,” said hotel restaurant management student, Adam Barna. “There was an incredible amount of military activity on and around the marine and naval bases that flank the entrance to the harbor.”

“The moment we got within cell phone range of San Diego, most passengers were above decks with their phones glued to their ears,” said travel student, Bill Kanapal. “A lot of students were there too, trying to touch base with loved ones at home.”

Catalina Island was next scheduled port

“San Diego was beautiful,” said Terri Lofthus, a hotel-restaurant management student.

“There was lots to do and see, but most of us really enjoyed the calm and peacefulness of Catalina. We tried to put what happened on Tuesday morning as far out of our heads as we could.”

That calm would soon turn to chaos on Friday morning when the ship disembarked nearly 1,000 passengers at the Port of Los Angeles. “We know it would be extremely intense when we cleared U.S. Customs in Los Angeles,” said Kerry Sommerville. “Our LA tour guide and motorcoach driver were waiting for us—we were overwhelmed to see friendly and familiar faces.”

Los Angeles was great!

The group spent the first evening of their tour in LA’s Sportsman’s Lodge Hotel and the next day they visited one of southern California’s busiest theme parks, Universal Studios. Students were also treated to a three-hour guided tour of Los Angeles. Famous sights visited included Hollywood Boulevard, Beverly Hills, the Hollywood Walk of Fame, and trendy Venice Beach.

“Our tour guide, Joe, was superb,” said student, Linda Cochran, “we learned so much from him.”

Next stop was Los Angeles International Airport and the flight home. “Because so many flights had been cancelled, I kept one eye on the students and one eye on Continental’s departing flights electronic board,” said Professor Sommerville, “but ours remained lit up and on time.”

There were more than a few tearful reunions when the group arrived in Louisville. Asked later if they would continue to travel without fear, most students gave a resounding “yes!”

One student added, “Maybe not completely without fear; what happened has changed things, but travel and hospitality is our chosen industry; this is what we’re all about.”

Suitcases will soon be packed again!

Students will take to the skies again when they visit historic sites in Plymouth, Massachusettts and Boston in mid-May, 2002.
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