**Alumni Spotlight**

### Alumnus finds gold at Fort Knox

Jolene Anderson ’05 has not solved the perennial question about what, if anything, lies in the gold vault at Fort Knox, but she plays an important role in the success of the Fort Knox Federal Credit Union, (FKFCU) www.fkfcu.org. FKFCU hired Anderson as a Marketing Specialist in January 2006. She was in the position for nearly nine months when a new position, Senior Marketing Specialist, opened up. “Before going to college, I worked dead-end jobs or factory work. Going to school actually gave me a future, a career that I love,” she said.

The ongoing transformation of Fort Knox due to the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) activities, has made for a busy time for the 2005 Graphics program grad. “We have six FKFCU branches in Hardin County alone, and we are the only financial institution with branches both on and off post. Additionally, we currently have five branches in surrounding counties. BRAC has had a major impact on how we operate those branches and events in the community.”

Anderson, who says she has always been a creative person and interested in art, now has plenty of opportunities to express her creative side. “We appear in numerous additional publications on post such as the Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) Guidebook/Directory, Opportunity Knox magazine, and The Turret, a weekly newspaper.” Because of the large number of people potentially moving to Kentucky, her material is not just seen locally, either. “I have designed and sent ads to Fort Hood, Texas and Fort McCoy, Wisconsin newspapers.”

While Jolene was always artistic, she developed the skills she needed to succeed at Sullivan College of Technology and Design, formerly known as LTI. “I wasn’t a computer person before starting college. I pretty much learned everything from the beginning there.” Her hard work in school helped make possible the additional work she has taken on because of the BRAC. “I’ve also designed support materials, such as flyers, welcome packets for newcomers and a page on our website for our Fort Knox/BRA
c Relocation specialist, specially created to assist and inform anyone who is new to the Fort Knox/Hardin County area and help give that person a smooth transition.”

### Sarah Powers is the first Alumni of the Month

Sarah Powers ’05 has been named SCTD’s first Alumnus of the Month. In addition to the honor, she received a $50 gift certificate to the campus bookstore. Sarah graduated with a degree in Computer Graphic Design in March 2005. “I’ve always loved art, and loved playing around with graphic software during my early teenage summers; I assumed it would be a subject I could grow with in the future,” she noted. “It is an unexpected honor to be recognized as Alumnus of the Month and I’m flattered knowing that I am the first!”

Powers was recently hired as a graphic designer by The CMOOR Group, a company that provides customized educational solutions for the security industry. As the Media Designer, she will coordinate with the Chief Learning Officer and Instructional Designers to create layouts, media development, and exercises for security companies.

“Sarah thoroughly impressed the company with her poise, confidence, and excellent presentation skills,” said Barbara Moore, Director of Career Services. “As a matter of fact, the company will soon speak to Craig Niemann’s Portfolio class regarding presentation skills as Sarah really wowed them with hers.”

Sarah also has advice for others looking to move up in their careers. “Take some time out to brush up on your portfolio,” she suggested. “I waited four years after being in one place to start redoing mine,” she said. “But it would be a whole lot easier and less stressful if I would have taken some time out, before looking for another job, to do so. Ask for critiques from your peers. You can’t be too shy or vain when it comes to art because you could always use some sort of improvement or touch-up to make your pieces better.”

Congratulations to Sarah!