Summer 2007 opened a new chapter in the growth of Sullivan University’s main campus. The University took possession of the Nolen Building, the last major piece of property available for Sullivan’s expansion that is connected directly to the main campus property. This 80,000 square foot building, located on 5.6 acres of land is currently utilized as an office building. Sullivan slowly expanded into the building over the past few years with the location of the university’s Quality Enhancement Center. The Sullivan University System’s Distance Education Division and other university staff are already housed in this building.

New home for doctorate program

A new three story, nearly 20,000 square foot addition to the main building will be built to house the University’s new College of Pharmacy. The new addition will feature two 100 seat auditoriums, four research laboratories, a model pharmacy, compounding laboratory, student lounge, and administrative office space, bringing the total square footage of the combined building to nearly 100,000 square feet. The College of Pharmacy will initially occupy nearly 32,000 square feet of space in the two connected buildings, providing space for faculty and dean’s offices, conference rooms, small study rooms for students and the Dean’s office, among other support space. Additional space is available for the planned growth of the College of Pharmacy.

College of Pharmacy Dean Dr. Hieu Tran shared with the Herald, “I am pleased that all associate deans, department chairs, and faculty have been hired for the first class of students. Many faculty will be joining Sullivan this summer and early next fall to invest months preparing for the first class.” He added, “We did a nationwide search to hire a highly qualified faculty and I am pleased with the outstanding group of professionals who have chosen to join Sullivan University.”

Sullivan pharmacy students will have fast-track to success

Nearly 500 prospective students have already sought information about admission to the first pharmacy class in July 2008. The initial class will start on a three calendar year (36 month) academic program at Sullivan, unlike many other pharmacy schools, which follow a traditional nine month schedule. Because Sullivan has always operated on a year-round academic schedule, Sullivan Pharmacy graduates will enter their profession a full year ahead of many other pharmacy school graduates.

Another milestone

“The addition of the new College of Pharmacy marks a milestone in the growth of Sullivan University,” stated University President, Glenn Sullivan, adding, “Sullivan will continue to focus on career education with strong high-need one and two year programs, as it has throughout our history. A student can enter Sullivan and graduate with job preparation in less than a year, or choose to go on to an Associate or Bachelor’s degree -- but the addition of this separate Doctoral program adds further breathe to our offerings.”

Sullivan’s Catering Program brings top caterers to campus

Sullivan University recently hosted the International Caterers Association’s (ICA) first-ever professional catering chefs’ continuing education symposium entitled “CaterArts.” The event brought more than 90 of the top professional caterers to Sullivan from across the entire United States, Bahamas and Canada. CaterArts included professional development from panel discussions hosted by Baked & Pastry Chair, Chef Derek Spendlove, CEC, CCE, AAC; Chair of the Baking & Pastry Arts Department and Librarian Charles Brown are delighted about the success of their former student.

Alum Chef Leah Stewart stopped by Sullivan’s Library to autograph both the People Magazine featuring her cake, and the article about her which appeared in Business First. featuring her cake, and the article about her which appeared in Business First.

Chef Leah Stewart of the Gallery House in Louisville was recently featured in the July issue of People Magazine, the extra edition titled “Amazing Real Life Weddings.” Her award-winning cake was named the Best Wedding Cake of Kentucky.

Chef Stewart has no idea how People Magazine found her or how she was entered in the competition, but is “absolutely thrilled” that she was chosen for this honor.

Chef Stewart has been creating wedding cakes since she earned her degree in Baking & Pastry Arts from Sullivan University. The cakes, baked entirely from scratch, range from the elaborate to the classical. Her specialty is taking the design of the bride’s wedding gown and featuring the pattern’s motif in the cake’s design.

Read more about Chef Leah Stewart and her Sullivan success story on page 5.

Pictured above is the cake chosen by People Magazine to represent the state of Kentucky. Created by Sullivan graduate Chef Leah Stewart, the tiers were an apple spice cake, Italian cream cake with Italian cream filling and almond white cake.

Catering Chair, Chef Kimberly Jones with some of the students who participated.

At Sullivan University’s College of Pharmacy groundbreaking ceremony are, left to right, Executive Vice President Dr. Stephen Coppock; the Honorable Jerry Abramson, Mayor of Louisville Metro; Dr. Jerry Miller, Chairman, the Sullivan University System Board; President of the University and the Sullivan University System Glenn Sullivan; Dr. Hieu Tran, Founding Dean of the College of Pharmacy; the Honorable Ernie Fletcher, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and Dr. A.R. Sullivan, Chancellor and Founder of the Sullivan University System.

Fall class filling fast

Director of Admissions Terri Thomas, in an interview today, stated, “Many day and evening programs for the 2007 Fall quarter, beginning September 24-October 7, still have a few openings remaining. Any prospective student interested in being a part of this new class should contact the University’s Office of Admissions immediately. Financial aid is still available to those who qualify, but action is required now to ensure paperwork can be completed in a timely manner.”

New Career College at Sullivan

Ms. Thomas added, “the new ‘Career College at Sullivan University,’ offering a variety of 6-12 month Career Certificates and Diploma programs, is a fantastic way to give college a try. All courses lead to a new ‘career-in-a-year-or-less’ and all credits will transfer to an associate or bachelor’s degree at Sullivan if you decide to go on for a degree. However, even if you decide not to continue, you are a Sullivan University graduate, eligible for full graduate employment services and entry into high-need career fields that normally don’t require a degree.”

A win-win situation

“At Sullivan, we call this a true win-win situation for many students who need quick training for a new or better job and those not quite sure they have the time, or will need or want a degree,” stated Ms. Thomas.

“The choice is yours. Just think, you can graduate in 6-12 months or continue in school (taking the remaining degree classes on campus, online or in the evenings) and have a degree in six more months or less, if you bring credits earned at another college or university.”

What’s next?

Call Sullivan’s Admissions Office today at 502-456-6505 or toll free at 1-800-844-1354 and make an appointment to learn more, or complete an application.