The Sullivan Alumni Association acts as a catalyst to foster lifelong connections with the global Sullivan community. We want an alumni relations program in which alumni engage with their alma mater and support the university to the extent of their ability through time and personal resources.

Get involved
There are many ways that you can become an active part of your Alumni Association and contribute to the fine reputation of Sullivan University:
(1) become a mentor, (2) offer to be a speaker, (3) volunteer at a local Alumni Association event; (4) contact us to tell us what you have been up to since graduation from Sullivan and how your education has contributed to your success; (5) find your classmates so that we can ensure the accuracy of our database.

As long as the Sullivan legacy continues to grow, so also does our alumni pride. We encourage you to maintain a strong connection with us. Set up your personal profile and start connecting now at www.sullivan.edu/alumni.

Wow! Talk about role reversals! Sullivan student hires Sullivan students

Left, Sullivan instructor Don Justice with his student, Dave Vrona.

Dave Vrona wasn’t looking for a job when he contacted Dean Blevins, the IT Academy Admissions Officer. He was new to the Louisville area, having moved from sunny Florida. His wife was born and raised in Louisville, and with three small children, they wanted to raise them in a great community.

Already successful
Dave wasn’t your typical student. He had founded and sold one of Chicago’s most successful internet service provider (ISP) in the 90’s, Dave wanted to freshen his skill set before looking for a position in Louisville.

A serendipitous lunch
Dean Blevins suggested he have lunch with the IT Academy Director, Don Justice. While reviewing Dave’s resume, Don received a call from Greg Aaron, the Vice President and General Manager at Peak10 Louisville, a regional data center. Greg had just accepted a position with Microsoft, and wanted Don’s help in finding his replacement.

“I was in the right place at the right time,” Dave stated. “I was looking to upgrade my skills, and Sullivan University had just started offering the Information Technology Infrastructure Library (ITIL) certification courses. For someone like me, looking for work in a new town, I needed to be current. Sullivan had the right program.”

Don recommended Dave contact Peak10 immediately to apply for the new vacant post. Several interviews later, against a tough field of competition, Dave was landed the job.

“Sullivan provides IT professionals ready to hit the ground running. We always look to Sullivan first to fill our open positions in this fast growing field.”

The IT Academy

Get ready for Career Expo!

Right, Steven McKee gives his son, Tristian a hug.

Sullivan University’s Spring 2008 graduation was held at Southeast Christian Church in Louisville, Kentucky. Graduates, family and guests from Sullivan’s campuses in Louisville, Lexington and Fort Knox attended. U.S. Congressman John Yarmuth was the commencement speaker. With smiles and pride, graduates crossed the stage to receive certificates, diplomas, associate, bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Dr. A.R. Sullivan, Chancellor of The Sullivan University System.

Sullivan’s graduations are unique. Rather than one held in May of each year like most other collegiate institutions, Sullivan graduates students four times a year, every January, March, June and September and holds two formal commencement events in April and October. Sullivan’s 2008 Fall graduation will be at Southeast Christian Church, on Saturday, October 11 at 9 a.m. E.D.T.

Steven McKee, student, earned his Bachelor’s in Health Science, and earned his Master’s in Counseling.

Offered every quarter, classes will run for five consecutive Saturdays. Eight credits at the post-baccalaureate level will be awarded by Sullivan University upon successful completion of the course, making it eligible for many corporate and graduate school programs.

For more information, please contact Sullivan’s Corporate Learning Center partner Don Justice at 502 456-6504 or djustice@sullivan.edu.

Sullivan student hires Sullivan students

Father follows in his son’s footsteps

Ken McKee gives his son, Tristian a hug. Thanks to him, Ken enrolled at Sullivan.

Tristan McKee was typical of most Sullivan University IT Academy students. Stuck in a dead-end as an auto detailer for a local dealership after moving from California five years ago, he knew that he needed to make a radical change in his employment situation. Taking home only $115 a week had put him in financial straits. Says Tristan, “I was broke, I knew I had to do something to change my situation.”

While driving to work, he heard a radio spot for the IT Academy and contacted Dean Blevins. “It’s the best decision I’ve ever made. In twelve months of intense studying and counseling from my instructor, Don Justice, and being able to secure myself and my finances.”

Tristan landed a Support Associate position with Peak10, a regional data center, while still going to school on the weekends. He has since enrolled in the Cisco certification program. Tristan has achieved certifications from Microsoft, CompTIA and others, and has decided to continue his education by completing his associate’s degree.

His dad changed his life, too. Based on his experience, Tristan convinced his father, Ken McKee to enroll in the program. “Tristan had that he needed to think about the program at Sullivan. He said that Sullivan was very aggressive in placing graduates at well-paying positions. He also recommended Don Justice as an instructor and suggested ‘Try to get into Don’s class.’” Although Ken is only halfway through the one-year program, he has already completed an eight week externship at Papa John’s corporate headquarters in Louisville. Taking advantage of the summer break, he completed the course he just completed, Ken stepped in and worked the company’s internal IT department.

“My employer at the time wouldn’t work with me on my school schedule,” stated Ken. “Completing my education and knowing I’ll land a great job after I graduate were more important to me. I gave them notice, and I’ve never looked back.”