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## **2022 Hall of Fame Inductee**



Larry Duffy

The Western Oklahoma State College Alumni Association announces Larry K. Duffy as the 2022 Hall of Fame Inductee.

The Alumni Association Hall of Fame, established in 1996, recognizes and honors Altus Junior College and Western Oklahoma State College alumni who, through leadership, character and hard work, have made exceptional contributions in their field, in their community and at Western Oklahoma State College. Mr. Duffy has spent 44+ years on Western's campus and there is not a department or an office that he has not supported over those many years. Please help us honor Mr. Duffy by attending the Hall of Fame banquet on Friday, April 22, 2022 in the Pioneer Heritage Center at Western Oklahoma State College. Seating is limited and all tickets must be pre purchased. The cost of a ticker is \$30 per person. Entertainment will be provided by The Mid-America String Quartet.

Please call 580.477.7706 or visit wosc.edu/give for tickets.

# **UPCOMING AT WESTERN**

March 8 | Organizational Bowling | 6 PM | Town & **Country Lanes** 

March 9 Ambassador Applications Due

March 14-18 | Spring Break | Campus Closed

March 23 | Workforce Readiness Summit & Career Fair 10AM-1:30 PM

March 24 | Questions & Queso | 6 PM | PHC

March 28 | Career Planning Workshop | 12 PM | LRC

March 31 | Enrollment Event | 1 PM - 6 PM | PHC

March 31 | Organizational Scooterball | 6 PM | Gym

## **Another Fixico Joins the Alumni Association**



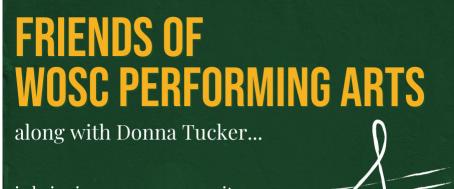
Justice Fixico, 2018 Western Graduate

Being a Lifetime Member of the Western Oklahoma State College Alumni Association has become tradition for the Fixico family. Justice Fixico tells us that his parents and his brother all attended Western and both of his parents joined the Alumni Association in 2012. Justice felt that, for him, becoming a lifetime alumni just made sense. Justice took his first classes with Western while enrolled in Southwest Technology Center's Biomedical Program when he was a junior at Olustee High School. Justice says that he enjoyed being at the college so much that if one of the Bio Med classes were cancelled, he would still show up on our campus just to hang out.

After completing the Bio Medical Program and graduating from Olustee, Justice enrolled fulltime here at Western. Justice was an above average student and says he truly loved the education he received while attending Western. He tells us that he had a great experience on campus and that he loved every class, especially computer. He embraced his time here by supporting his fellow Pioneers at all the different sporting events, shooting pool at the Point with friends and participating in a variety of campus activities. He recalls that some of his favorite memories were hanging out with his brother Jordan, who was a Western Ambassador. When asked if there was anyone who really had an impact on his journey here, Justice says that Maegan Martin, who served in the position of High School and College Relations, was a constant source of support and encouragement to him and he was grateful for her mentorship.

Justice was awarded an Associate in Science Degree in 2018 with his major area of study being biology. He then transferred to Oklahoma State University where he studied premed biology and received his Bachelor's Degree in 2020. Today, Justice is a pharmacy technician Altus.

# **Women's Chorus Coming Soon**



is bringing you a community Women's Chorus beginning March 4th!

ENSEMBLE WILL MEET EACH FRIDAY 11 AM - 12:30 PM IN WOSC CHOIR ROOM

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 580.471.8748 AND EMAIL DONNA AT DONNATUCKER53@GMAIL.COM

Donna Tucker, well-known vocalist and choral music educator will be bringing a women's chorus to our community endeavors.

The name of her reactivated ensemble will be: A Women's Chorus - "Eine Kleine Girlmusik'. The ensemble will meet each Friday in the WOSC Choir Room, 11:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M., with rehearsals beginning on at Jackson County Memorial Hospital here in Friday, March 4th. Interested vocalists from SW Oklahoma may contact Donna Tucker at 580.471.8748 or email donnatucker53@gmail.com

When asked if he had any advice for those considering college, Justice says, "I highly advise concurrent enrollment because it prepares you for college. If you're unsure about going to a bigger university, I would definitely recommend giving Western a try!"

Has Western left an impression on you? If so, please consider joining the Alumni Association today! Contact Debbie Valerio at 580-477-7784 or email at alumni@wosc.edu for more information.

All women vocalists are welcome.



## Higher Ed Day at the State Capitol



Left to Right, front row: Dr. Chad Wiginton, WOSC President, Katelynn Thompson, College & HS Relations Specialist, Star Sims, Korey Saenz, Liberty Carothers, Kayla Peeler, Dr. Dana Darby, WOSC Board of Regents Chair. Back row: Representative Gerrid Kendrix, Tucker Lambert, Kaleb Covey, Elishamah Antoine, Gavyn Hill, Melissa McMahan, Vice President for Business Affairs, and Senator Brent Howard



Western students, staff, and administration visited the state Capitol for Higher Education Day, February 15th, to promote the value and importance of higher education in the state. The morning began visiting legislators and thanking them for supporting higher education. Representative Gerrid Kendrix visited with

Western students at Higher Education Day House program in Chamber





State Regents Chancellor, Allison Garrett and WOSC student, Elishamah Antoine

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students about his day to day responsibilities of his job. During lunch, students visited with Oklahoma State Regents Chancellor Allison Garrett, along with Senator Howard. The day wrapped up with a Higher Ed program in the House chamber, with many special guest speakers, including Governor Stitt.

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