

Fraternal Order of Police Supports Banister Endowment

A scholarship endowment in honor of Gary C. "Sonny" Banister was created earlier this year with the Western Oklahoma State College Foundation, Inc.

Banister had a lifelong career in law enforcement. Due to his commitment to protecting others, this scholarship endowment is a perpetual reminder of Banister's dedication, integrity, commitment, loyalty and unselfish service to his community and his

profession.

The scholarship is designed to provide funding to encourage student success in the honored profession of Criminal Justice through Law Enforcement.

On December 13, the Fraternal Order of Police Altus Lodge donated \$500 to the Gary C. "Sonny" Banister Scholarship Endowment.

"We are happy to be a part of this and to help the Banister family," said Chris

Elrod, Fraternal Order of Police Altus Lodge member. "Sonny was such an instrumental part in starting the Fraternal Order of Police."

The FOP representatives all gave resounding support of both the scholarship and the legacy Banister left, and they were happy to give to such a great cause.

"This is such a fitting recognition for a founding member of the FOP," Thomas Hobbs said.

Ray Minst, Rusty

Williams, Chris Elrod and Thomas Hobbs represented the FOP and their \$500 donation to the Gary C. "Sonny" Banister Scholarship Endowment.

For more information on the Gary C. "Sonny" Banister Scholarship Endowment, the WOSC Foundation, Inc., and other opportunities to give, visit wosc.edu/give.



Rusty Williams, left, Chris Elrod, center, Ray Minst and Thomas Hobbs represented the FOP and presented the \$500 donation to Larry Duffy, second from left.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Seth Petzold



Elmer, Okla., Vernon High School
Major: Agribusiness

ULTIMATE CAREER GOAL

To be a veterinarian representative and take over my dad's farm.

MOST PRIZED POSSESSION

My necklace.

WHAT WOULD PEOPLE BE SURPRISED TO KNOW ABOUT YOU?

I went to high school in Texas while living in Oklahoma.

WHY DID YOU CHOOSE TO ATTEND WESTERN?

Being able to play baseball and study agriculture this close to home was an opportunity I couldn't pass up.

WHO HAS BEEN YOUR FAVORITE INSTRUCTOR SO FAR?

I've enjoyed all of my agriculture classes. I am actually learning something I can apply to my daily life.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT ATTENDING WESTERN?

I like that I can stay so close to home and continue to be around friends and family.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO INCOMING STUDENTS?

Try to stay up-to-date with all of your course work and don't fall behind!



PIONEER BASKETBALL

Monday, February 5
WOSC Gym

Men's and Women's
Games starting at
5:30 p.m.

UPCOMING AT WESTERN

January 31: Counselors Day

February 1: Spring/Summer Graduation Applications Due

February 8: Pioneer Preview 9 a.m., Coffee and Canvas 7 p.m.

February 13: Organizational Bowling Competition, 7 p.m.

February 15: Student Senate, 12:15 p.m., H-9

February 19: College Closed, President's Day

Coffee & Canvas

YOU DECIDE! PICK A PAINTING AND DRINK A CUP OF JOE!



FEBRUARY 8 AT 7 P.M.

SIGN UP WITH MAEGAN MARTIN AT
MAEGAN.MARTIN@WOSC.EDU OR 580-477-7875

BY FEBRUARY 6

\$15 FOR NON-STUDENTS | \$5 FOR STUDENTS



JOIN US FOR A DAY ON CAMPUS!

FEB. 8TH 9 A.M. - 2 P.M.

SPEND A DAY ON CAMPUS TO LEARN WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN OUR PIONEER FAMILY.

ENJOY AN INFORMATION SESSION, CAMPUS TOUR, NETWORKING WITH CURRENT PIONEERS, STAFF, & FACULTY, FREE MEAL, AND A \$100 SCHOLARSHIP!

REGISTER ONLINE BY FEB 1ST TO RECEIVE A FREE T-SHIRT!

GRADUATING IN MAY? DON'T FORGET TO APPLY!

Graduation Applications for the Spring/Summer of 2018 are due February 1. Visit the Office of Admissions for an application!

