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PIONEER PEAK

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FAVORITE BOOK, MOVIE, QUOTE, OR OTHER

Spiritual Leadership by Henry & Richard Blackaby
Any Star Wars movie, Star Trek movies or The Martian

EDUCATION

Ed. S. Liberty University, M. Ed. Wayland Baptist University, BSOE Wayland Baptist University
A.A. Liberal Arts, A.A. English, A.A.S Navy Technical Training Western Oklahoma State College

WHAT DO YOU ENJOY ABOUT YOUR POSITION AT WOSC?

The look on a student's face when all fear and doubt about college has been erased. The "I can do this!" moment.

MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT IN YOUR CAREER

Seeing a student, who I advised, mentored, and/or tutored graduate and transfer to university. I get to re-live this moment annually.

WHO HAS BEEN THE MOST INFLUENTIAL PERSON IN YOUR LIFE, AND WHY?

Back in my Navy days! It would be a tie between Chief Smith and Chief Stringfellow. Chief Smith showed me the proper way to be a productive leader. Chief Stringfellow demonstrated the opposite. Negative experiences can be as persuasive as positive ones.

PIONEER BASEBALL

February 10 & 11
1 p.m.

Come support your
Pioneers!



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!

Couple named new WOSC Alumni Lifetime Members

Cathy and her husband, Don Stone, are our newest Alumni Lifetime Members. Cathy first attended Altus Jr. College right out of high school. She then attended Western Oklahoma State College and was very active serving as Student Senate President before graduating with an Associates in Science Degree.

After graduating college, Cathy began what was a fulfilling career as a dance teacher. First, as a contractor for dance and gymnastics at Altus Air Force Base. Then, she took her talent overseas and continued as a contractor until deciding to open her own studio while living in Germany where she enjoyed working with over 400 students of all nationalities.

Cathy closed her studio and the Stones returned to Altus in 2011 where Cathy now spends her time immersed in her community serving on several different committees and boards. Her husband, Don, proudly served his country in the US Air Force for 29 years before retiring from service wearing the distinguished rank of Colonel. Don is now the Deputy Director for Aircraft Maintenance for the 97th Airlift Mobility Wing at Altus Air Force Base.

When asked what she

found most appealing about Western Oklahoma State College, Cathy says, "There is an intimacy in a smaller college. The location makes it so easy. The opportunity it provides to go ahead and start college is amazing and even if you aren't able to go to college right away, it is here for you when you are ready." Cathy was the oldest of five children of an enlisted airman and she was grateful for the work study opportunity that Western provides. She says, "It makes all the difference for those who are wanting to start college but who may not yet have the money for tuition."

Cathy comes from a proud family of alumni. Both her father, Otto Holthe, and her brother, John Holthe, attended Western. Cathy points out the compassion of the school's administration when she recalls that her brother, who was handicapped and unable to write, was given a typewriter by the college to help him with his classwork.

When asked why she chose to become an Alumni Lifetime Member, Cathy said, "We attended an Alumni event here and we just asked ourselves why aren't we members?" So she made the decision to be more formally associated with her alma mater.

If you would like to join the Stones and our other Alumni as members, please contact Whitney Graham in the Alumni Office at 477-7706 or visit our website at www.wosc.edu or email us at alumni@wosc.edu



Don and Cathy Stone were inducted into the Western Oklahoma State College Alumni Association in the fall of 2017.

New Print dedicated to NBC Wall of Oklahoma Artists

In continuing NBC Bank's commitment to the arts, original works by Oklahoma artists have been commissioned each year for the NBC's Oklahoma Artists Series.

The first print was presented to Western Oklahoma State College in 2003. Western Oklahoma State College expresses their appreciation to NBC and Ken Ferguson, Chairman, NBanC for the most recent print the 2017 "Prairie Oasis" by artist Sonya Terpening.

The public may view the entire NBC's Oklahoma Artists Series at the Pioneer Heritage Center at WOSC.



Jeff Greenlee, left, NBC Bank president, and Elizabeth Marcha, right, NBC Bank business development vice president, presented Larry Duffy, center, WOSC Foundation, Inc. executive secretary, with the 2017 print "Prairie Oasis."



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