



Homecoming Is Almost Here— November 11-13

Don't miss the biggest alumni gathering of the year. It's Homecoming, and the theme is **Accelerate: A celebration of unprecedented momentum**. We have events for everyone, from basketball and open houses to art and campus tours. You'll also enjoy the Homecoming Banquet, where we will honor this year's [Alumni Award](#) recipients. And there's so much more! Register today.

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NEWS



ALUMNI BOARD ELECTION

Are you interested in serving alumni by becoming a director on the Alumni Association Board? If so, you still have time to submit an application. The deadline is October 29. The sitting Alumni Board will finalize the slate of candidates at their November meeting. The election will be held in February and new directors will take their seats at the April meeting.



RESOURCES FOR VETERANS

ORU has created an extensive section on its website for veterans who want to know more about making the transition from military service to enrollment at ORU.

[VETERANS, INFO](#)

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS NEWS

Tulsa community leaders discussing career success and job opportunities. Renovations to GC 3 that will create a new Capital Markets Trading Floor. A power-packed Power Luncheon that's taking place on November 12 (during Homecoming weekend). Click on the button to read more about these and other recent news items from the College of Business.



[COB NEWSLETTER](#)

'SHOW YOUR CLASS' CONTINUES!



The friendly class competition is still going on. Earlier this week, the Class of 1970 was #1 in percent of classmates who have given to the Annual Fund, and the Class of 1980 was #1 in funds raised. You can help your class rise to the top by making a gift to the Annual Fund between now and November 5. The top two classes (in participation percentage and in giving) will be celebrated on social media and honored at the Homecoming Banquet on November 13.

[MAKE A GIFT](#)

ATHLETICS



Max Abmas is back for his third season of men's basketball, and he has already begun to accumulate some accolades. They include 2021-22 Summit League Preseason Player of the Year, a 2021-22 Preseason All-America Second Team nod by College Hoops Today, and being one of 20 candidates for the 2022 *Bob Cousy Point Guard of the Year Award*.

[SUMMIT HONOR](#)

[COLLEGE HOOPS HONOR](#)

[COUSY AWARD](#)

SOCCER SUCCESS

Men's Soccer is on a roll. The team's record is 9-1-1 and they're in first place in the Summit League. There are just two matches left before the Summit League Championships in Macomb, Illinois.



[SOCCER NEWS](#)

EVENTS



ORU Theatre's presentation of the Neil Simon play "Rumors" will take place in Howard Auditorium, October 21-24. Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. (21st-23rd) and 2:00 p.m. (24th).

[TICKET INFORMATION](#)

COURTSIDE COUNTDOWN

After such an exciting finish to the 2020-21 season, fans are ready to get back to the Mabee Center for more ORU Basketball. The traditional start-of-season event is the [Courtside Countdown](#), and it's going to be in-person. Ticket purchases, table sponsorships, and purchases from the live and silent auctions support the student-athlete scholarship fund. At this November 4 dinner, you'll get a preview of what to expect from both men's and women's basketball this year.



[REGISTER](#)



MIKE CARTER ATHLETIC CENTER GROUNDBREAKING

It's time to launch another new building at ORU. The groundbreaking for the Mike Carter Athletic Center will be on Friday, November 12, at 12:15 p.m.—right after chapel and during Homecoming weekend. Please join us.

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If you are 70½ or older and must make the "required minimum distribution" from a qualifying IRA, you can direct some or all of those funds to ORU through a Qualified Charitable Donation (QCD). The QCD allows an individual to exclude the amount of the donation (up to \$100,000) from taxable income if the gift is made on or before December 31. Check with your accountant or tax preparer for details.

As 2021 winds down, we would also like to remind you that any contributions to ORU could benefit you when it's time to file your taxes for the year.

You can support ORU whenever you shop on Amazon. Go to [this page](#) to learn how to select ORU as your preferred nonprofit via the **AmazonSmile** program.

ORU has gone paperless. That means when you make a gift to ORU, your receipt will come via e-mail. You can still choose a paper receipt, though, by filling out [this form](#).

DID YOU KNOW?

ORU is building a new library! A [groundbreaking ceremony](#) was held on October 20. The new library will be located west of Niko Hall—near ORU's Avenue of Flags entrance. The current library will be "reimagined" and renovated to become a Center for Global Leadership. You can be involved in all aspects of the Whole Leaders for the Whole World campaign by providing [financial support](#).