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NEWS FOR THE ORU COMMUNITY



Science and Faith

A [textbook](#) by Dr. Dominic Halsmer, Senior Professor of Engineering at ORU, has been getting a lot of attention. It's titled "Hacking the Cosmos: How Reverse Engineering Uncovers Organization, Ingenuity and the Care of a Maker." He's interviewed on an **ID the Future** podcast. On another podcast, Dr. Halsmer discusses his peer-reviewed paper, "The Coherence of an Engineered World."

ARTICLE



Honoring Mrs. Pepin

Members of the Pepin family gathered in ORU's Prayer Gardens on June 12 for the dedication of the Roberta Pepin Commemorative Bench. Mrs. Pepin, the mother of ten ORU alumni, spent the last several years presiding over the front desk in Claudius Roberts Hall, where she was a blessing to the students in this dorm.

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Whole Leaders Campaign

ORU's Whole Leaders for the Whole World campaign is going strong! Construction begins soon on the new Welcome Center, and groundbreakings are scheduled for the Media Arts Center and the Mike Carter Athletic Center. The new Library and the Center for Global Leadership won't be far behind. Gifts for scholarships are also very much a part of the campaign—and very appreciated. You can support this drive with a gift of any size. Remember: Gifts toward the building projects are matched 3-to-1.



CAMPAIGN GIFT

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EVENTS



Quest Days

Prospective students can learn more about everything that ORU has to offer at a Quest Day on July 23.

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Let's Pray

Join us for our next Virtual Prayer & Praise gathering. Zoom in on Tuesday, July 20, at 7:00 p.m. CDT. The Zoom room opens at 6:30 p.m. CDT for fellowship.

PRAYER

Legacy Lunch

Alumni whose sons and daughters will be first-time ORU students this fall are invited to the complimentary Alumni Parent and Legacy Student Luncheon, set for Saturday, August 21 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

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Homecoming 2021

It will be here before you know it, so Save the Date! We'll see you on November 12 and 13!

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SPORTS

Top Athlete

Sasha Wells '21 was named the Summit League Women's Outdoor Track Athlete of the Year. This was her third such honor; her first two were for Indoor Track. Sasha specialized in the 100-meter dash, 100-meter hurdles, and 4x100-meter relay.

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#ORUMBB New Coach, Promotion

The Golden Eagle men's basketball team has gained a new assistant coach: Kenton Paulino, who most recently was on staff at the University of Texas-El Paso.

In addition, Iain Laymon has been promoted to Director of Player Development/Video Coordinator.

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ALUMNI



In Fashion

In 2014, **Adesola “Addie” Elabor ’08** launched D’YANU, which has become a highly successful clothing line.

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Israeli Honor

David Nekrutman ’18, described as “a bridge-builder between Jews and Christians” by Israel’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs Department of World Religions, was recognized in June as a Goodwill Ambassador for Jewish-Christian Relations.

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Business-Building

Kristin Towles ’14 is one of ten Tulsans who were selected for the Washington, D.C.-based Builders + Backers Idea Accelerator program. This will provide training and tools so that the participants can “create positive change” in their communities and potentially build a



Hall of Fame

Bryan Norton ’82 has been elected to the Salina (KS) Central Athletics Hall of Fame’s Class of 2021-22. This stellar golfer was a two-time All-American at ORU. He and his teammates finished second in the nation at the 1981 NCAA Tournament, and third in 1980.

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The ORU Library has a [Facebook](#) page. You can also find historical documents—like old issues of *The Oracle*—in the [Digital Showcase](#).



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