



News From 802



As the fall leaves begin to turn maroon and gold, I wanted to wish you all a blessed start to the holiday season. We're already a few months in on yet another exciting year, filled with opportunities to strengthen our connections. I hope to see you at one of our upcoming events; the Italian Dinner, Celebrate O'Dea Auction, Annual Golf Tournament and much more. In addition, we'd love to hear what's new with you, whether it's a career milestone, family update, or any news worth sharing with the O'Dea community. Let's continue to celebrate each other's successes and keep the O'Dea brotherhood strong. Peace and love.

— David Mazzeo '99, Alumni Director

Legacy Students Class of 2028

We recently had the pleasure of hosting 38 of our Class of 2028 legacy students (of over 50 in total) for a pizza lunch. Advancement, Admissions, and Principal Walker welcomed these young men into the fold. It's inspiring to see so many legacy students among our current students, reflecting the strong bond of our Brotherhood for Life. The O'Dea Admissions Committee values legacy applicants, and our [Alumni Referral Program](#) offers a way to support enrollment by referring a young man you know. Your referral strengthens the Brotherhood that connects our students and alumni. We hope your O'Dea experience was memorable and that you encourage others to join this tradition.



Esports Madden Tournament

Earlier this fall, the O'Dea's Esports program partnered with the Alumni Office for a Madden football tournament, resulting in 16 participants in both the alumni and student brackets. After weeks of exciting matchups, it all came down to an unforgettable showdown between Jon Barber '08 (alumni bracket winner) and Sammy Finestone '28 (student bracket winner). Over 150 students filled the 4th floor Student Resource Center, while alumni tuned in from around the globe to catch the live stream. In a thrilling contest, Jon's Ravens clinched the alumni victory with a late interception in the end zone, winning 17-14. Stay tuned for more Esports tournaments this winter and spring!

GIVE GOLD 2024!

Save the date for Give GOLD 2024 on December 3rd! Each fall, we come together to support Academics & Counseling, Faith & Service, Student Life & Athletics, Technology & Facilities, and Financial Aid. Year after year, your generosity shows that the O'Dea Brotherhood extends well beyond 802 Terry Ave.

TRADITION MEETS GENEROSITY



Jon Barber '08 (left) and Sammy Finestone '28 (right)





50th Reunion Luncheon for the O'Dea Class of 1974

We had an amazing time celebrating with the Class of 1974 earlier this year at their 50th reunion luncheon here at the school! As O'Dea's smallest graduating class, 55 men strong (though some remember it being closer to 52!), this tight-knit group is a testament to lasting brotherhood.

Their stories and accomplishments from their time as students and through their adult years were a joy to hear and reminisce about. They continued the party the following day in West Seattle for some afternoon golf, an evening tailgate & football game, a victory over Seattle Prep.

Kohler Field

Thanks to a generous donor who is inspired by his selfless dedication to the young men of O'Dea, we are thrilled to announce that our new field will be named after none other than Monte Kohler. Monte has been more than just a coach and a leader; he's been a mentor, an inspiration, and a steadfast guide to countless young men who have passed through O'Dea's halls. Now, his name will be etched into our history, and his legacy will be celebrated in a way that truly reflects his impact. We have a number of opportunities to include your name at the field!

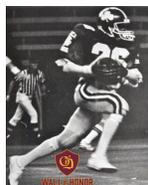
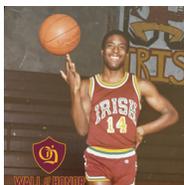
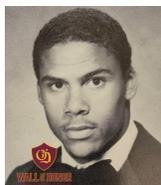


By making a gift or pledge of \$10,000 or more to the development of the field in honor of Monte and his incredible legacy, you can leave your mark alongside his and ensure your name will also be a part of O'Dea's history.

To learn more reach out to Allie DeLong Thomas at athomas@odea.org or visit [The O'Dea Campaign](#).

WALL OF HONOR

BUILDING UPON THE TRADITION OF ATHLETIC EXCELLENCE



The Athletic Wall of Honor event was a memorable night of celebration and camaraderie as the O'Dea community came together to honor this year's inductees; David Jackson '86, Melvin Wells '85, Bennie Mitchell '85 & Troy Miles '83. Attendees enjoyed reconnecting and sharing laughs, tears and memories. Thanks to generous contributions to our Fund-A-Need, we also raised funds toward branding O'Dea's first-ever field.



Upcoming Events



ALUMNI OPEN GYM

Join fellow O'Dea alumni (and friends) for our 6th annual Alumni Open Gym on Friday, January 3, 2025, from 11:00 AM -1:00 PM at the Phil Lumpkin Court in Bishop Gill gymnasium. Following that, watch the O'Dea Varsity basketball team shoot-around, followed by a triple header as the O'Dea Frosh, JV, and Varsity basketball teams take on Seattle Prep. More details to come in December!



ITALIAN DINNER

Our annual Brotherhood event is scheduled for Saturday, February 8, 2025, at 6:00PM at St. Anne's. Join us as we recognize and honor the "Terrance Johnson Award Winner" (Father of the Year) and the "James Bosa '98 Alumni Volunteer of the Year Award Winner."



ALUMNI MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

The O'Dea Alumni Association and Campus Ministry team will host our annual Alumni Mass of Remembrance on Friday, January 30, 2025 at 10:10 AM at St. James' Cathedral. This all-school mass honors our deceased alumni.



CELEBRATE O'DEA AUCTION

The countdown is on! Save the date to ensure you Celebrate O'Dea on Saturday, March 15, 2025, and showcase your support at O'Dea's party of the year. Celebrate O'Dea is a fun filled evening for parents, alumni parents, alumni, grandparents, and friends of O'Dea.

