

# News and Updates - October 2016



### **Auction Shines!**

Homecoming 2016 is Saturday, December 17th. A come and go reception for all alumni and former faculty and staff will be held Friday evening, December 16th followed by no-host class gatherings Saturday afternoon. Homecoming festivities will take place during the basketball game Saturday evening. Make plans to join the celebrations on campus during this great gathering time!

#### Walk of Faith Path

The Walk of Faith path is here! The bricks purchased during the campus expansion campaign are all in place, and a beautiful path connects the north and south areas of campus. Work is in progress to create a legend to help locate individual bricks. The Walk of Faith path will continue to grow and support Columbia. Bricks are \$360 each and can be purchased by contacting the school office at 503-252-8577. A dedication ceremony for the path is planned for the spring. Thank you for walking in faith with Columbia Christian!





#### Homecoming 2016

Alumni, former faculty and staff along with current students, faculty and staff are invited to campus for Homecoming 2016. On Friday, December 16th there will be a come-and-go reception in the Student Center beginning at 7:00 pm. Saturday, December 17th from 2:00 - 3:00 there will be more opportunity for fellowship during the class gatherings. 2016 Homecoming festivities begin shortly after the class gatherings in the gymnasium. Spread the word and make plans to join the celebrations!

# SAVE THE DATE! SPREAD THE WORD! July 15, 2017 CCS 70<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



# **Fall High School Retreat**

Columbia's ASB leadership coordinated the High School Retreat at Camp Yamhill on October 26th and 27th using this year's high school theme of "The Faith Awakens". With over 100 students in attendance, they bonded by doing group activities, small group classes, devotionals, and watching movies into the night. Some played football (very popular), played baseball, canoed in the pond, or swam in the river. Before they left Thursday afternoon, they broke into three large groups to do challenge courses. Options were an obstacle course, the Giant Swing, or the Giant's Ladder (pictured). Even through the rain, everyone enjoyed the time out there and wished they had more than two days for the event.

## **Technology Improvements**

Over the summer significant improvements were made in the area of student technology on the campus. Two generous grants combined with school funds provided new middle school/elementary computers in the Outlaw Center computer lab, 28 new Mac computers in the Sanders computer lab, and Apple TV's in all high school classrooms. Columbia was also able to upgrade the wireless network across campus and increase internet connection speeds for staff and students.



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