Countdown to Riverside City College’s 100th Anniversary

As the 2011-12 Riverside City College Basketball season gets into full swing, it’s interesting to recall that two Riverside City College Student / Athletes returned to the college as President. Orland William Noble attended Riverside Junior College in the mid-1920s and was the Captain of the Men’s basketball team. Noble was the college’s second President from 1950 to 1963. During Noble’s tenure the college constructed Huntley Gymnasium (1954), Landis Auditorium (1955), Cutter Park Pool (1958), the Cosmetology Building (1958) the Administration Building (1958) and the Art Building (late 1950s). He was named the first RCCD Alumnus of the Year in 1959.

Dr. Charles A. Kane attended Riverside College in the early 1950’s and was also a member of the Men’s Basketball team. Dr. Kane was the college’s sixth President from 1978 to 1992. During his tenure, the District expanded by acquiring land in Norco and Moreno Valley. On March 13, 1991 the Norco and Moreno Valley campuses were dedicated. They are now known as Norco College and Moreno Valley College. Kane was named the thirty-fifth RCCD Alumnus of the Year in 1991.
So the next time you attend an RCC Men or Women’s Basketball game, take a good look at the players. You may be seeing a future President of Riverside City College. It is 4 years and 19 weeks until RCC’s 100th Anniversary on March 13, 2016.

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