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Countdown to Riverside City College's 100th Anniversary

On April 26, 2012 at the Riverside Community College District’s Annual Recognition Awards & Arts Gala held in the Raincross Ballroom of the Riverside Convention Center, Dr. Nicolas Ferguson was formally honored as the 56th RCCD Alumnus of the Year. Dr. Ferguson graduated from Riverside City College in 1966, which was RCC’s 50th anniversary year. Dr. Ferguson is the Superintendent of the Alvord School District. Previously he was the Superintendent of the Moreno Valley Unified School District, retiring in 2004 but called back to duty by Alvord in 2011.

While attending RCC, Dr. Ferguson was an active participant in college activities. He was involved with Alpha Gamma Sigma (1964-66), ASB Cabinet (1964-65), ASB Treasurer (1965-66), and Forensics (1964-66). He was also a staff member of the final “Tequesquite” yearbook in 1966. Below, in Photo One, Dr. Ferguson can be seen standing next to AGS advisor Robert Southwick (RCC Associate Professor, Physical Science 1961-96). In Photo Two, he’s in the upper left posing with the Forensics class. The instructor (in the bottom row, third from the right) is Dr. Dina Stallings (RCC Professor, English & Speech Communication 1961-88). In the lower right hand corner is a student who returned to teach at RCC, Patricia Scileppi (RCC Professor, Speech Communications 1969-2007). In Photo Three, Dr. Ferguson is pictured working on the yearbook with fellow student staff member Anne Britt.
It is 3 years and 45 weeks until RCC’s 100th Anniversary on March 13, 2016.

The Riverside City College Instructional Media Center is bringing you this five year countdown to RCC’s 100th Anniversary. Our intention is to give everyone a weekly glance at the many people and events that have been a part of the college.

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