Countdown to Riverside City College’s 100th Anniversary

Rear Admiral Allen E. “Boot” Hill was a 1948 graduate of Riverside Junior College. Before coming to RJC, Admiral Hill attended Riverside Poly High School. He played on both Poly’s and RJC’s Football teams. Following his graduation from RJC he went to Pensacola, Florida for Naval Flight Training. During his illustrious military career, he participated in over 450 combat missions in Korea and Viet Nam. He was awarded more than 40 personal combat decorations. In 1974 he was named the Chief of Staff for the Commander, Naval Air Forces of the Pacific Fleet. In 1975 he became the Commander, Training Command, U.S. Pacific Fleet. He then accepted the opportunity to establish the new office of Director, Tactical Readiness. In this position he became singularly responsible for naval warfare doctrine, tactical development and evaluation, tactical training of fleet commanders, battle group commanders and commanding officers and assessment of U.S. Navy warfare readiness. He helped establish new training facilities at Norfolk, Virginia and in San Diego. After 34 years of service, Rear Admiral Hill retired from active duty in August of 1980. In 1983 Rear Admiral Allen E. “Boot” Hill was named the twenty-seventh RCCD Alumnus of the Year.

The photo below left is from the 1948 “Tequesquite” yearbook. The photo below right is from the June 1983 “RCC Reports” publication.
It is 3 years and 36 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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