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Countdown to Riverside City College's 100th Anniversary

In October 1981, the Riverside City College District publication "RCC Reports" ran a story on the new personnel that were hired, prior to the beginning of the 1981-82 school year. Below is the headline of the article:

President Welcomes New RCC Personnel

The text of the story read:

Riverside City College President Charles A. Kane welcomed new faculty and management personnel at a reception held recently on campus. Kane said that they were "very proud of the new personnel who have joined RCC this year." He also noted that some of the new comers were, like himself, former students of RCC. Alumni include Micheal Barnes, Dorothy Corr and Patricia Hora. Barnes, the new women's basketball coach, will also serve as a counselor in the career center. He taught and coached at Perris High School prior to his assignment at RCC. The new RCC grounds foreman, Merle Bartman, worked for 15 years in commercial and residential landscaping and nursery positions before joining RCC. Joyce Black joins RCC this semester as assistant dean of academic services. She comes to RCC from the Mesa campus of the San Diego Community College District. Nancy Canter and John Hopkins are new to the art department. Canter will teach art courses, and Hopkins will teach ceramics. The new chair of the Early Childhood Studies Department, Dr. Gailya Chance, worked as an adjunct professor at California Baptist College. Alumna Dorothy Corr returns to RCC after graduating in 1968 from the R.N. program. She is now director of college health services. Patricia Hora, another RCC graduate, is returning as a nursing instructor after a year's absence to pursue other career goals. The new director of the New Directions Center, Chari Wallace, was coordinator of the Department of Management at Chaffey College. Auston White, new Administration of Justice director, served as program coordinator for that department prior to the new assignment.

The two photos, below accompanied the article.



The caption for the top photo read:

“Dr. Kane and other administrators welcomed new personnel during fall opening sessions. Shown l. to r. are Dorothy Corr, Dr. Gailya Chance, Joyce Black, Kane, Patricia Hora, Auston White, John Hopkins, Nancy Canter and Micheal Barnes.”

The caption for the bottom photo read:

“Several new classified employees have recently joined the RCC staff. Standing in the back row l. to r. are Richard Goodwin, police officer; Jean Thornton, admissions clerk; Marcos Plebani, police officer; Dick Robinson, instructional media specialist; Barbara Brown, learning disabilities paraprofessional and Albert Vallejo, computer operator. Front row l. to r. includes Vicki Diaz, Women’s gym attendant; Emelina Morgan, switchboard operator; Cindy Hein,

junior accounting clerk; Melissa Gallagher, purchasing clerk and Donna Guiles, college bank bookkeeper.”

In 2016, both John Hopkins and Micheal Barnes (seen below) will complete their 35th years as RCC educators.



There are only 6 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. Our thanks go to the RCC Digital Library Archives and the District's Office of Strategic Communications and Relations for allowing us to use their photo and newspaper collections. Thanks as well to all of the RCC students and Faculty Advisors that were a part of the yearbook and newspaper staffs. Thanks also to Tom Johnson and Gilbert Jimenez who wrote "the book" about RCC's history. "Riverside City College 1916-1981- A 65 Year History" is available in the RCC Digital Library. For copyright purposes, all images originating from Riverside City College publications and the District's Office of Strategic Communications and Relations are the property of the Riverside Community College District.