Did you know?

1950's
- 1951: RADM Ernest Herrmann officially moves NPS to Monterey from Annapolis.
- 1952: Classes begin at NPS with keynote speeches from Secretary of the Navy Dan Kimball and Fleet Admiral Chester Nimitz.
- 1955: ADM Arleigh Burke becomes Chief of Naval Operations, the first NPS alumnus to achieve this post.
- 1956: The first woman officer student arrives at NPS.
- 1958: Seymour Cray installs the CDC 1064 computer serial #1 at NPS.
- 1959: The Office of Naval Research established a funded research program for NPS and sponsors its first projects.

1960's
- 1960: LT Wayne E. Meyer graduates and would go on to pioneer the AEGIS combat system.
- 1964: The Aeronautics dept. opens the Turbopropulsion Laboratory near the Monterey Airport.
- 1965: The Defense Resources Management Education Center is established and remains to this day offering short courses for officers of all services and around the world.

1970's
- 1974: Dr. Kildall builds Control Program/Microcomputer, the first standard operating system for microcomputers. His system allows a student to read and write from a disk. It will sell more than 250 million copies.
- 1978: NPS student LCDR Martin Dundics research expedites the incorporation of microcomputer units in modern ship propulsion control systems.

1980's
- 1982: ADM James Watkins becomes the second NPS alumnus to hold the post of Chief of Naval Operations from 82-86. His maritime strategy will help bring an end to the Cold War.
- 1987: The Center for Autonomous Underwater Vehicle Research is established to advance pioneering research and Naval applications.

1990's
- 1991: NPS student LCDR Hearing's classified thesis becomes Challenge Athena, a secure communications network that also enables the first two-way imaging communications to aircraft carriers.
- 1996: NPS aluma Patricia Tracey becomes the first woman promoted to the rank of vice admiral.
- 1998: Vice President Al Gore convenes the National Ocean Conference at King Hall during the international Year of the Ocean.

2000's
- 2004: NPS information technology experts already in Thailand rush to support Asian tsunami relief efforts by setting up wireless network communications.
- 2007: ADM Michael Mullen nominated as the Chairman, Joint Chief of Staff, first NPS alumnus to achieve this position.

2010's
- 2019: After 10 years of development by NPS faculty and students, NPSAT-1 was launched aboard a SpaceX rocket to investigate space weather and the flight demonstration of space technologies.
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