PRESS INVITATION: BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE FOUNDATION’S
12th ANNUAL STERLING SILVER DINNER

Event: The 12th Annual Sterling Silver Dinner hosted by The Bakersfield College Foundation
Where: Seven Oaks Country Club (2000 Grand Lakes Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93311)
When: Saturday, February 22, 2020
Note: This ticketed event is sold-out.

The Bakersfield College Foundation will honor distinguished philanthropists and supporters including Mr. Bill Kelly, Mr. Rick Kreiser, Dr. William Baker, and the Greater Bakersfield New Car Dealers Association at the 12th Sterling Silver Dinner.

The sold-out benefit dinner recognizes exceptional support and service to both the BC Foundation and to the College, while proceeds from the evening go towards funding the College scholarship program. The event brings together college supporters, donors, alumni, and friends for an evening of food, music, and memories.


Invitation to Interview: Bakersfield College President, Dr. Sonya Christian invites you to join her and the 2020 Sterling Silver award recipients for press interviews at promptly 6:00pm until 6:20pm inside the Seven Oaks Country Club.

Honorees of the 2020 Bakersfield College Foundation Sterling Silver Dinner

- Mr. Bill Kelly – Individual Philanthropist of the Year
  Mr. Bill Kelly taught in BC’s Agriculture department for 37 years and made education a reality for Renegades through his generous contributions to the BC scholarship fund. In addition to being selected as Professor of the Year in 2014, he received praise across the city and state for his positive influence on agricultural education.

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• **The Greater Bakersfield New Car Dealers Association – Corporate Philanthropist of the Year**
The Greater Bakersfield New Car Dealer Association has supported both Bakersfield College and Renegades for decades through support with scholarship funding and engagement in programs including Automotive Technology. Many graduating Renegades have found lifelong successful careers through opportunities and employment offerings at the various individual dealerships.

• **Mr. Rick Kreiser – Bakersfield College Foundation Service Medal**
Mr. Rick Kreiser was first introduced to Bakersfield College as a student in 1971. Since then, he has carried the Renegade pride and spirit with him as he began Carney’s Business Technology Center and served in various leadership roles across the Kern Community College District and the wider community.

• **Dr. William Baker – Bakersfield College Foundation Service Medal**
For over 40 years, Dr. William Baker served as the Team Physician for students at Bakersfield College and Foothill High School. In addition to dedicating his service to young athletes at both academic institutions and Kern County Soccer organizations, Dr. Baker is a published author, and instructor at schools such as UCLA and Orange County University of California Medical Center.