AMAZING GRACE:
BC’s First President

About The Lecture
In 1959 when Jerry Ludeke arrived at Bakersfield College as a new faculty member, she was surrounded by outstanding administrators, faculty, and staff who had been hired by and worked with Miss Grace Van Dyke Bird, the first CEO. She left BC nine years before Jerry arrived. Every tale Jerry heard about her reflected love, admiration, and even awe. In the back of her mind, she always had trouble reconciling these stories with the winsome woman in the ethereal portrait that hung in the Grace Van Dyke Bird library named for her.

Friday, October 24, 2014
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Norman Levan Center for the Humanities

Food of the “Greatest Generation” will be served
No registration required
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Jerry Ludeke, M.A. (Stanford) has been part of the Bakersfield College scene since 1959 as a teacher, counselor, volunteer, pioneer of the Learning Center, instigator of study skills classes, developer of the tutoring program, and currently the Director of the Bakersfield College Archives. She has been honored with the Margaret Levinson Faculty Leadership Award, the Shirley Trembley Distinguished Teaching Award, and one of the 100 Stars of the Bakersfield College Centennial. She has also contributed to the community at large through numerous activities including being president of the Kern County Historical Society.

Jerry Ludeke
Director of BC Archives

Miss Grace Van Dyke Bird