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# MARCH/APRIL 2016

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## CAREGIVERS OF KERN COUNTY

### MISSION STATEMENT

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- \* Support all caregivers
- \* Safeguard children in our homes
- \* Network with Child Welfare Agencies
- \* Socialize events for families
- \* Education and info of current policies and regulations
- \* Share ideas in a friendly atmosphere
- \* Fundraise as needed and wanted

### Dear Caregivers,

Your 2016 board has been finalized. President is Kathryn Aragon, Secretary Lori Murphy, Treasurer Heather Bess, Bettie Chaplain, Membership Gayla Gibson, Opal Morland Newsletter.

Yearly dues are \$20 due March 17. Bylaws have been updated. Free Tuesday night trainings with BC College and fundraising is up to each member with board approval.

We will continue our facebook page managed by Lori and Opal. Our website [www.ckckids.yolasite.com](http://www.ckckids.yolasite.com) remains free and updated by the newsletter editor. Kathryn Aragon is very excited to lead CKC through the next few years. We are dedicated to a growing membership and supportive team.



# BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE TUESDAY EVENING TRAININGS

*Thursday trainings are currently suspended. However trainings are available directly with Bakersfield College on Tuesdays. Please contact BC Kinship and Training for more information.*

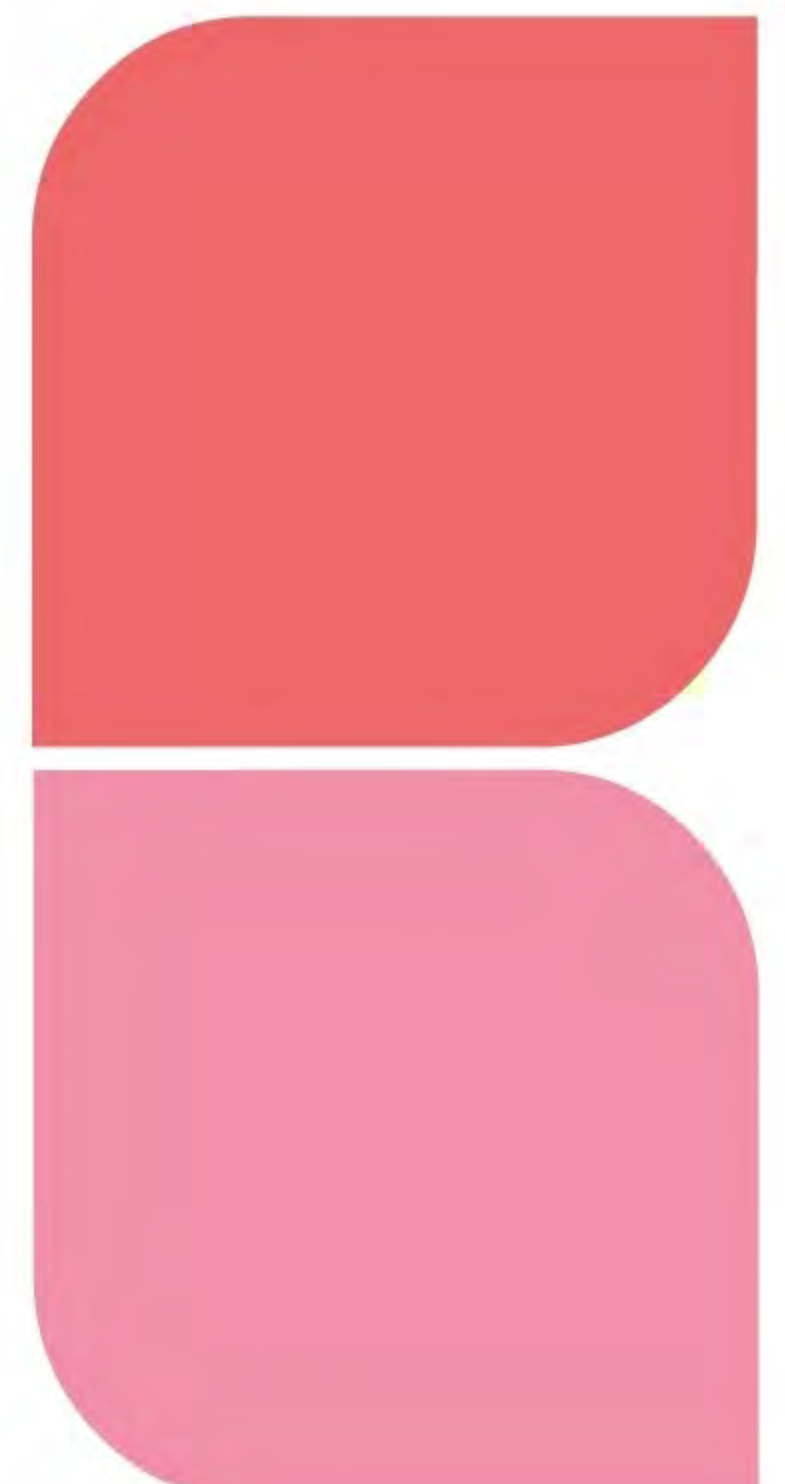
## BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE FOSTER AND KINSHIP CARE EDUCATION PROGRAM 2015-2016 TRAINING SCHEDULES

- Tuesday Evening Training Schedule@ Weill Institute
- SB500 - Whole Family Home Training Schedule
- PRIDE Pre-Adopt Training Schedule
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- Caring for Children with Severe Emotional Behavioral Needs
- Foster Parent Orientation
- Adoption & Permanency Planning Orientation

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## MEETINGS & EVENTS



Please Pray for CKC Families. Many have had medical emergencies, lay offs from jobs, and the usual stress from being a foster family. As we go through these struggles remember we are in God's Hands and he will not forsake us.



A little history: CKC was established in 2010 and since that time we have been able to support many families, children and agencies. Our goal as always is to help at risk kids.

Some CKC Adventures:  
Hurricane Harbor,  
Easter Celebration,  
Fresno Zoo



Questions contact Gayla Gibson  
661-332-5129

**NEXT CKC MEETING**  
9am March 17, 2016  
Coco's Rosedale/Coffee Rd.

ALL MEMBERSHIP INVITED



**Save the Date**  
**Saturday March 19. 2016**  
**Centennial Park Easter Hunt**  
11am-2pm

Bring a dish to share, your lounge chair, and plastic filled eggs to hunt.





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## OUR CKC 2016 BOARD OFFICIALS



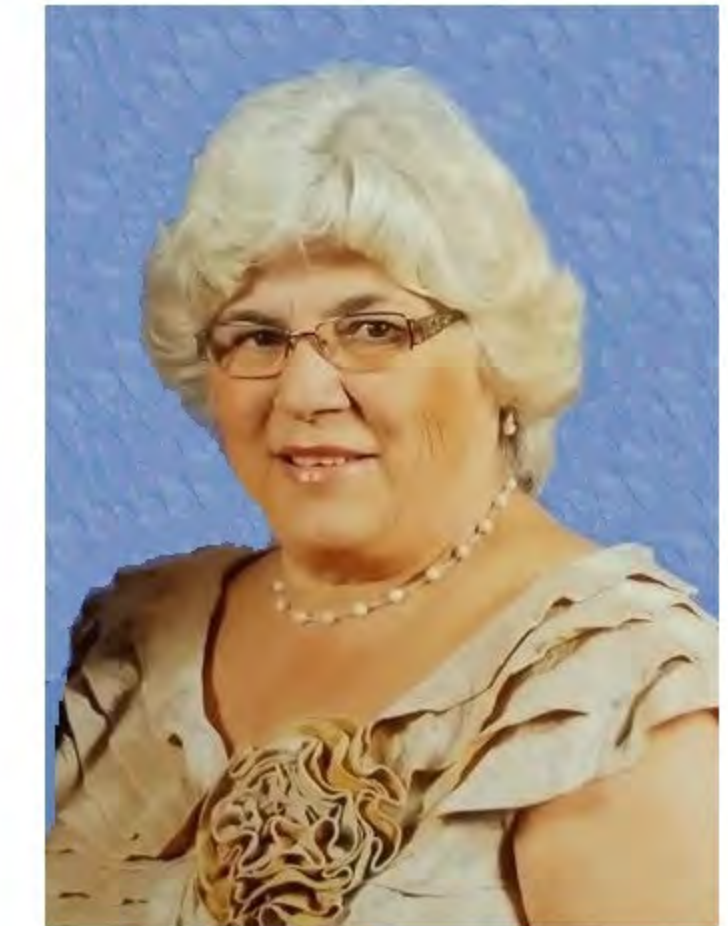
President Kathryn Aragon  
Secretary Lori Murphy  
Treasurer Heather Bess  
Chaplain Betty Neito

### APPOINTED CHAIRS

Auditor – Robert Geltman  
Membership Chair - Gavla Gibson  
Editor/Layout-Opal Morland



Robert Geltman



Gavla Gibson

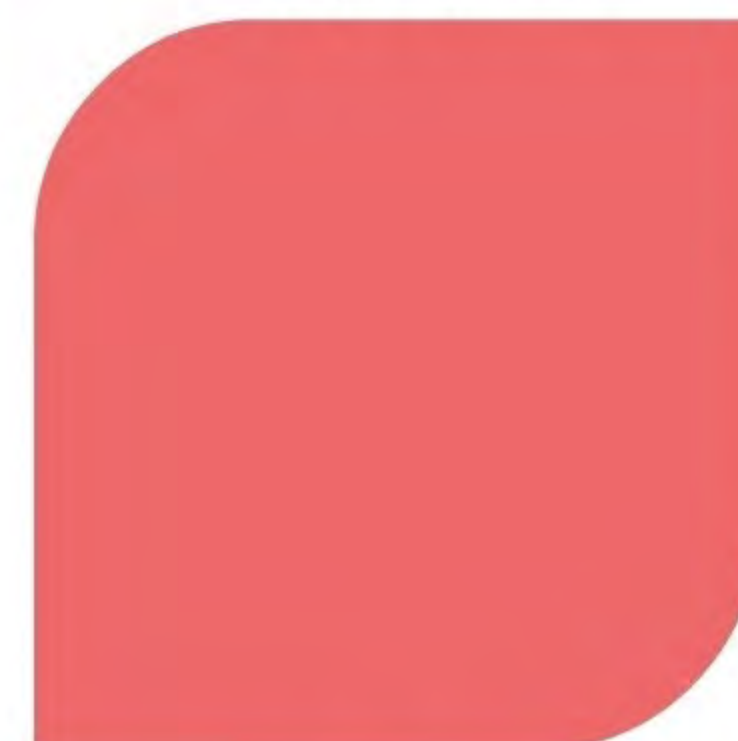


### EDITOR'S NOTE

*Happy Easter! Thank you for another year as your editor. Congratulations to the 2016 CKC Board and to Gavla Gibson for the hard work on the updated By-laws.*

*I look forward to this new year with our growing membership. Hope to see everyone at the Easter Egg Hunt!*

*Opal Rose Morland*



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