

2015

S.O.B

Awesome MS paint drawings because I have no scanner at my house....

Dearest Baker,

It has been a while since I have done one of these, and I have tried hard to come up with both some way that my finals schedule of SOCI 101 and PSYC 101 could excuse my tardiness, as well as some way to validate the use of this holiday/hand-tremor themed font, but both have proven in vain. With that in mind, I am sorry that i have been slow on the December S.O.B, B, and promise to not let you down again*. Also, with the Holiday season in mind, I have decided to craft this SOB as a holiday letter, for your leisurely reading. Without further ado, the letter (from the front).



Christmas with the Stout family was dismal and dreary, to speak openly (I feel like we're there in our relationship, Baker). The Portland sky was grey and dull, and gift-shopping wore me out. I bought my Sister a small, decorative chalkboard-art wall hanging for her room, and a few minutes later she bought herself a larger, better, decorative chalkboard-art wall hanging for her room. #chalkblocked. What's more, our christmas tree was *even* smaller and whimpier than the one cut down by this year's freshman (furreal tho, my freshman year we had to, like, cut a hole in the commons ceiling to fit the tree in, it was nutz). Finally, to top it all off, my family kept insisting that we should celebrate Christmas in december. Baker, they're crazy.

I hope all of you have had wonderful breaks, however! Even if you miss the pleasant smell of baker breakfast, or the not-so-pleasant smell of Ivo. Hopefully, your reminiscing of such joyous occasions as BCL, the beer bike theme study break, the corgi study break, and the end of finals kept you going through what was undoubtedly a time fraught with thoughts like "Gee, I sure wish I were back in Physics 101 right now," or "Was the president's study break today?" or even "Hm, I haven't seen Sachin Gupta in a while... that's nice." Anyhow, as I missed doing it in the December S.O.B, I wanted mostly to make this letter a thank you to all of those Bakerites who helped hold up our crumbling home during November and December.

So thank you! Thank you to our wonderful and above-and-beyond socials for shattering public-party-paradigms. Thank you to all of those who helped with setup, tear-down, and to those who braved the rain for all of BCL. Thank you to all of the committee heads who held enough study breaks that I believe the name of "Study days" should be changed to "days." Thank you to the freshmen for hoisting up such a wonderful tree, and for all who helped decorate it! Thanks to Greg Marshall for providing decorations with which to get Roy ready for the holiday season. Thank you to all of those bakerites who help make our college wonderful every day in small (or big), often thankless ways. Finally, a big, huge, enormous thank you to all of our dining and cleaning staff for putting up with us for yet another semester (I assume that they, like NONE OF THE REST OF BAKER I'M SURE, don't read these, so I ask you to please constantly thank them for the work they do, whether through verbal thanks, or cleaning up after yourself, or not leaving dishes in the hallways (#shame), because they certainly deserve it, and Baker wouldn't be the same without them).

Anyhoo, some upcoming stuff are elections, beer bike theme reveals, and senior events, so keep your eyes on your emails for more info! I love you all and I'll see you soon!

<3, Andrew



*intentionally