March S.O.B.

‘Twas the night before Beer Bike, and all across Rice Not a creature was stirring, except for Baker.

Dearest Baker,

What a week, what a semester! What an honor to writing my first State of Baker! We’ve laughed along to BakerShake #CatherineKilledIt, got our housing nonsense together, seen the Rodeo come and go, traveled, studied, welcomed new RA’s (!), and so much more.

And it’s that time of year again! We’ve earned it. Better than your birthday, a third Christmas, pure ridiculous merriment. Or a lot of sleep if you’re Matt Chagnon. We’ve cut shirts, painted nails, filled balloons, dyed and shaved heads, cracked eggs, eaten our way through tailgates, danced, laughed, cried. We have the heart! And there’s still more to come…

When you hit the 11 p.m., 2 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 12 p.m. wall, turn with me to our theme for inspiration:

Like Mowgli, may our classic Baker ingenuity bring us to victory! Remember, it’s a statistic truth that the other colleges are singing King Louie’s song to themselves: “I wanna be like You-ou-ou.” May we have Bagheera’s silky hair and dedication to our friends. Most of all, like Baloo, let’s forget about our worries and our strife!

No matter how you Beer Bike, you’re beer biking right if you’re safe and happy.

With all of the love in my heart,

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“Happy Beer Bike to all, and to all a good night!”
A Look Ahead

- **Sports** Take that post-bike hype to the next field!
  - Sunday, April 2nd 12 pm Coed Flag; 6:30 pm Softball
  - Monday, April 3rd 7 pm Men’s Soccer
  - Keep an eye out for Soccer Playoff
- Tuesday, April 4th Academic Planning Session: Let’s Taco ‘Bout Scheduling
  - PAA office hours follow all week
- Wednesday, April 5th afternoon **Memorial for Essence**
  - Let me know if you want to sing, speak, etc. to participate
- Thursday, April 6th **Baker Salon**
  - Scott’s Mother-In-Law is coming to talk about volunteering to promote health in undeveloped countries #lifegoals
- Friday, April 7th 4 pm Mrs. V’s Tea
  - Hats, tea, Mrs. V... Could you ask for a better afternoon?
- Friday, April 7th evening Footloose in Miller Outdoor Theatre
  - Thanks BGHS for getting us outside of the hedges!
- Saturday, April 8th 5:30 pm **BAKER 90's**
  - Chokers, bleached denim, punk rock, YES PLEASE
- Monday, April 10th 7-9pm HBWRURS in the Hanszen Lower Commons
  - Submit by tonight!
  - Prepare for something important... What does HBWRURS even mean?
- Tuesday, April 11th 6-8pm A$Sociate’s Awards Dinner
  - HP Themed – it’s time to unleash your wands and wizardry
- Wednesday – Friday, April 12 – 14th Owl Days
  - Host BB owls
- Friday, April 14th Baker Semiformal
  - Baker has class and likes to dance : )
- Friday, April 21st College Night
  - Submit Themes!
- Saturday, April 22nd Corgis and Crawfish Boil
  - Corgi Boil?

Bakerites Abound

Show Your Support!

- Wednesday, April 5th 5:30pm **Jason Kim’s Piano Recital**
- Friday – Saturday, April 7 – 8th 7pm Rice Owls Dance Team Performance: Tudor Field House; Emme Relford, Renisa Rammath, Sohee Kim

who doesn't Love Dancing??
A Word from our Incoming Masters

What an honor, and how fun to be joining Baker College this summer!

We look forward to seeing you at the house, and we are eager to share many stories, meals, and projects. Before the "big move" happens, we want to tell you a little bit about ourselves:

Angela is half Venezuelan and half Native American (from the Alabama Coushatta tribe). Luis is Venezuelan, with grandparents of German, Italian, Spanish, and Afro Caribbean ancestry. Although we don't like the "Melting Pot" metaphor very much, we might be a good example of the Hispanic version of it. We believe, with Maya Angelou, that there is beauty and strength in diversity, so we embrace all these legacies and all of these traditions.

Living on campus and being part of a vibrant intellectual community is enriching and exciting. We grow with our students and they grow with us. Probably the most important thing we would like to achieve is a simple (and therefore very profound) human connection with others. We want to develop a meaningful relationship with students, RAs, Associates, the College Coordinator, and H&D staff. We even think fondly of future reencounters, ten years down the road, when we will meet many generations of students and friends of the college that were part of our lives.

Hell yeah, we can't wait!

- Angela and Luis, Incoming Masters

We love physics, our dog Penny, and lots of other things! ö

COMING SOON

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A Word from our new RAs