

THE STATE OF BAKER



OCTOBER 2013

Introduction

Hey Baker! It's October already and I hope all of you are having a good semester. It's about that time when the semester hits its peak in terms of workload, so be sure to find the time to relax when you need to. Thankfully, we have midterm recess coming up! Anyway, regardless, I look forward to another month with y'all as president, and I wish you the best of luck:)

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Looking Back

Looking back on the past month, here's a brief recap of the big things that happened in September:

Baker Week:

We had our second ever Baker Week, celebrating Baker's 56th birthday while coming together as a college to celebrate our pride in Baker. Unfortunately, Baker Coffeehouse and our Saturday tailgate were cancelled due to few signups and poor weather, but we had a successful week in general! Convocation was especially wonderful with Baker Associate Greg Marshall as our guest speaker officially welcoming our new students.

Renaissance Man/Womanly Woman Power:

We had our first series of Renaissance Man and Womanly Woman Power, where the boys learned how to start a coal and camp fire while the girls painted nails in the outer commons. If you missed the opportunity to hangout with your Baker bros or sistas, be sure to come out to the next one on October 22nd (see Looking Forward)!

Families' Weekend:

Families' weekend was this last weekend of September, and thanks to **Scott** and **Steve**, we had a wonderful BBQ on Friday!

Looking Forward

In October, look forward to these following events!

Beer and Bounce Houses:

For those Baker Seniors out there that either need to take a break from Senior design, relax, or get pumped for Christmas, come out to the P-Quad on Friday, Oct. 4th for some beer and bounce house(s). It'll be fun:)

CHRISTMAS PARTY!!!:

It's beginning to look a lot like...

Chinatown Field Trip:

Our Baker International Committee is hosting their first event on Saturday, Oct. 5th for a field trip to Chinatown! It'll be from 12:00 - 3:00 pm and dim sum will be had. Remember to sign up and the lucky 15 will get their chance to go!

Round Table Dinner:

Our masters are hosting the first Round Table dinner of this year at the Baker House on Oct. 5th, where y'all can help cook and then eat fabulous food. This time's Round Table Dinner will feature classy French food, so remember to sign up!

Renaissance Man/Womanly Woman Power:

Look forward to another Renaissance Man/Womanly Woman Power event where you can bond with fellow Bakerites while doing cool stuff. This also provides a convenient time to talk about any questions or concerns that you may have for NOD, so come out to this. It'll be one hour before discussion cabinet on Oct. 22nd.

NOD Campfire:

On the Night of Decadence, our Masters and RAs will be hosting a campfire starting at 10:00 pm and going into the wee hours of morning for those that want something else to do that night. They will also have bagels for those that may want to sober-up as well, so definitely stop by.

Pumpkin Carving Contest:

We'll have our annual pumpkin carving contest hosted by the RAs on Sunday, Oct. 27th, the day after NOD, in the P-Quad, so make sure to sign up for a pumpkin to carve by yourself, with your roommate, or as a group!

Baker 13 Halloween Run:

That time of the year...

Senior Cocktail Party:

Although not in October, the Masters will host a Senior Cocktail Party for the graduating seniors on Friday, Nov. 1st at 8:00 pm. :(

Brief Reminders

Just some reminders:

Wednesday Lunch Announcements:

If you want to make an announcement, either Baker or University related, we'll bring the microphones out during Wednesday lunches at around 12:20 pm so that you can make those announcements to a larger crowd. Just look for **Victoria Eng**, our secretary, during lunch.

Baker Website Feedback:

Remember we have a brand new website thanks to our webmasters! It would really help them out if you could take the time to fill out the feedback form that was sent out if you catch any glitches or inconveniences while using it. That would definitely assist the webmasters in finding problems and making the website working perfectly as soon as possible.

Baker Birthdays

Oct. 3	Sylvia Omozee
Oct. 4	Amy Fox
Oct. 8	Sarah Arnold
Oct. 8	Preeti Prakash
Oct. 17	Nitin Agrawal
Oct. 20	Connor Teykl
Oct. 22	Andrew Stout
Oct. 24	Felipe Arenas Gallo
Oct. 26	Morgan Jones
Oct. 26	Renee Anderson
Oct. 27	Wei Zeng
Oct. 31	Anjali Bhatia



Bakerites on Campus

Thanks to those of y'all that submitted stuff to the form I sent out! It really helped with this section and the Kudos section.

Shepherd School Symphony Orchestra Concert

Friday & Saturday, Oct. 4th & 5th 8:00 - 9:30 pm
Stude Concert Hall

Come out to the Shepherd School, Stude Concert Hall either on Friday or Saturday, Oct. 4th-5th, to watch the Shepherd School Symphony Orchestra Concert where **Chloé Tula**, **Emma Terrell**, **Natalie Gaynor**, **Sarah Arnold**, and **Nick Davies** will be performing!

Rice Quidditch "Breakfast Taco" Tournament

Saturday, Oct. 5th 9:00 am
IM Field 1 & O'Connor Field

A handful of Bakerites will be playing in the Rice Quidditch tournament on Saturday, including **Thomas Loughlin**, **Kiara Aguirre**, **Jessica Li**, **Kylie Balotin**, **Alitha Partono**, and **Joyce Jones**. Come support them!

Sketch Comedy Show

Saturday, Oct. 5th 9:30 pm
Station Theatre

Technically off-campus, **Andrew Stout** and **Dennis Budde** would still love your support if y'all went out to watch them perform in a sketch comedy show in Station Theatre on Saturday night!

Kudos

Kudos to **Matt Nojoomi** (Junior) again for being on the engineering team, Team Brittle Bones, for designing a robotic arm for a Shriner's Hospital patient. He even made it on Good Morning America!

Kudos to **Eric Baeuerle** (Senior) for being chosen as one of the Campus-wide Beer Bike Coordinators! He did an awesome job two years ago coordinating Baker's Beer Bike, and I'm sure he'll do a great job organizing the campus.

Kudos to **Claudia Leon** (Junior) for her interception at the endzone during the powderpuff game against Jones, and running 98 yards to touchdown for Baker! That's another record!

Kudos to **Tia Liu** (Freshman) for being elected president for the Model U.N. club at Rice! She's a freshman and starting off strong!