Hosted by Shandi Burrows (AL) as Gwen Stacey Spiderman, Joly Lo (KY) as Miguel O’Hara Spiderman and Raees Kamboj (NV) as Miles Morales Spiderman, last night’s That’s Entertainment took us through an incredible night of canon events. We saw a menagerie of musical madness: Vanilla Oreo opened the night with their cover of “Here With Me”, Hongkang Zhao (GA) wowed us with his piano skills, Owen Gudex (WI) serenaded us with Sinatra’s “My Way” and Ella Williams (IN) sang us a song that could only happen Once Upon a Convention. TE this year also featured some unique acts never before seen in TE: a saber performance of Icarus by Kara Schwantz and Haley Bingham (FL), a muppet musical number from Erin Svetlik, Erin Eger, Chris Briones (TX), and the first TE performance ever decided by wheel: Hans Law’s (TX) Wheel of Sovereignty (let’s be real though, we were all rooting for the bagpipes). Another TE first: long-time TE participants Megan Silver (FL), Bennett Henkel (NC), Sidler Davis (IL), Paul De (VA) cracked the case of their missing silver bowls and shared many memorable moments from their lengthy and epic histories in TE. Ultimately, 3rd place went to Zhikai Huang’s (GA) piano performance, 2nd place went to Petra Croom (FL) for her violin act, and first place went to Helen Lan (and friends) (TX) for a flute medley. In the words of the fan-favorite “Hotel Room SCLervice” video: forget about Certamen (the writers are on strike anyway) and join us in the SCL; you can bring your best friends and join us in the SCL!

SCL and JCL friendships are truly for life as reminded to us by Jenny Daley Peterson in her incredibly moving speech about the late Hal Rath er, a TE and SCL legend who tragically passed from a cancer-like blood disorder in 1992. Funds collected at the show go to fund the Hal Rather Award which is awarded annually to pay for the cost of convention for one SCLer. If you enjoyed yesterday’s show, please consider contributing to that award via the QR code on page 2, and join the “Be the Match” bone marrow registry in his memory.
It has come to our attention that JCL delegates have been eating soap. Stop eating soap. Soap is not edible. Therefore you should not eat it. Don’t make the lady come back on the stage and read us more rules. Here is an infographic to help...
The Return of Bob, the Generic Candidate

In Issue III of 1992’s The Convention Ear, readable in the NSCL publication archive on NSCL.org, SCLer Tom Cheever of Massachusetts wrote “The Legend of ‘Bob’ Revitalized” featuring Hal Rather as Bob. Cheever promised this article was #1 in a collectible series of articles. Here is the long awaited second entry.

Long time Ear readers will remember that in 1992, Bob, The Generic NJCL Candidate, launched BCL, The Bob Classical League, to be headquartered at Bobland, his Indiana estate. After a worldwide membership drive brought in an impressive amount of members, by 1994 membership had all but plummeted after unfounded rumors of tax evasion, hyper buzzing, and hating Brown Squirrel came to light. Bold faced lies many believed were started by the rival organization RCL, Robert’s Classical League, founded by Henry Martyn Robert of “Robert’s Rules” fame. The Bob Classical League folded soon after.

Issue I of “The Legend of Bob” raised some key questions that were promised to be answered. Namely, Can he get me free stuff? and Does he recommend you sign up for Be the Match (Remember that QR code)? And we finally have all the answers just for you! Can Bob get you free stuff? No. But he can give you that feeling of hope and warmth by reminding you that the people you met this week might turn into some of your greatest friends. And that feeling? That’s free. And does he recommend you sign up for Be the Match?? Uh, is his name Bob The Generic NJCL Candidate? Yeah, of course he does!

Rumors have grown over the past week that Bob has spent the last 30 years off the grid planning his return and a 5th attempt at running for NJCL President at UT Knoxville next year. With his classic campaign slogan “A vote for Bob is a vote for Bob” he knows this time he can’t possibly lose. To join the newly reformed Bob Classical League, all inquiries and dues can be faxed to new BCL President Bobby McDonald who stepped down from the NJCL National Committee last year to fully devote his time to the BCL.

Wheel of Sovereignty Sets Its Sights on NJCL Constitution

“Bagpipes, Violin, Piano, Bagpipes, Violin, Piano, Bagpipes!, Violin!Piano!BAGPIPES!!” screamed the JCLers enthralled as the Wheel of Sovereignty enticed the crowd with its colorful spell. “I can’t believe something so simple has existed right under our nose this whole time,” remarked a wheeling Noah Abuha-jir with a glazed look in his eye. Many delegates started asking each other how they could get their own wheel for their lives. “Think how much easier decision making could be, and more fun!” exclaimed Washington delegate Ian Anderson, unprompted. “The wheel is wheel-y fun to watch.” It’s true, it’s true.

Smoke was seen shooting out of the ears of newly elected NJCL Parliamentarian Alden Okah-Aduako following That’s Entertainment. The rising parli was furiously scribbling down a new amendment, entitled Hans’ Law, to introduce the Wheel of Sovereignty as a new mode of voting in elections. “Why should JCLers or even national committee members have to waste time soliciting and then counting votes when we could just spin Wheel,” cried Okah-Aduako. We here at The Ear fully support Wheel and have begun crafting many new wheels of our own. Stay tuned to see what Wheel will decide for us in our new future in UT Knoxville.
**Black Market Soft Serve??**

After accidentally spending $3000 from the NSCL Scholarship Fund on a very expensive McDonald’s run, NSCL Scholarship Committee member and Brown Squirrel enthusiast Cameron Ward was caught trying to sell soft serve on the Agora black market to make up the difference.

He was apprehended by Slasher Containment League officers who spotted him while on the lookout for a slasher selling illegal pillows and linens. According to authorities, it is widely believed that Ward purposely sabotaged the cafeteria soft serve machine on multiple occasions throughout the week to artificially raise demand for his sweet, sweet goods. Although not confirmed, it is also rumored that Ward was somehow conspiring with Helios to bring the sun closer to Atlanta for the week to make it more suitable ice cream weather. Ward was advised by his SCLawyers to not make a statement at this time but they guarantee they are fighting the charges.

Although his plan on repaying the NSCL Scholarship Fund fell short, the generosity from JCLers, their parents, sponsors, and fellow SCLers helped considerably close the gap at *That’s Entertainment!* last night. To help close it even more OR to help cover Ward’s bail and legal fees, please select “Make a General Donation” at nscl.org.
Oh Peaches, Where Art Thou?

Peaches are the state fruit of Georgia. However, the 70th National Junior Classical League’s convention has been suspiciously devoid of peaches. No peach ice cream. No peach cobbler. No artificial peach-flavored sweet tea. In order to get to the bottom this, the National Committee has contracted the Slasher Containment League to investigate. “The Slasher Containment League showed their snazzy investigative skills when they caught that silver bowl thief. “We’re sure they can find the missing peaches,” said outgoing Public Relations/Membership chair Catherine Sturgill.

“Media reports say that the anomalous heat wave in February ruined over 90% of the peach crop in Georgia.” said Sam Foss (USVI) of the Slasher Containment League. “But, we have evidence that another slasher may have been responsible instead. There were yellow threads everywhere.” No motive has been established for the theft.

The recent installation of two new trees outside of the Emory Student Center are part of the SCL’s trap. The trees are a quick maturing variety of Prunus persica, so they are expected to fruit in two years instead of the usual three. “We plan to spring our trap just in time to deliver the missing peaches to the 72nd convention at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio,” said Ms. Foss.
There she was, staring at Powerade in the vending machine at Few Hall. It did not accept cash. It did not accept credit cards. It only accepted... BitCoin. Yet still, she opened the app the machine required, only to find many reviews claiming that the app stole their money. Despite this disheartening circumstance, she persisted, sure in her quest for that sweet, unnaturally blue beverage.

She trekked to the next vending machine to find one in the Student Center that accepted credit cards! She eagerly scanned her card, picked her drink, and with great patience watched the arm of the machine as it went towards the drink. Then she watched the arm proceed past the drink. And then the arm came to a dead stop with no Powerade. Despite previous defeats, our hero approached a final vending machine. This one was in the Emory Student Center by Ludi Ludi. With bated breath, she slid her card into the machine and watched the blue Powerade move from its shelf and safely into the receptacle! As she celebrated her new Powerade, she reached to take it and... nothing. The little plastic door remained stuck closed. After minutes of prying with the door left, the historian wept to the gods, for it seemed all hope was lost.

Suddenly, two great demigods from Massachusetts appeared. They wielded skill and strength, which they used to pry the small plastic door open. Our hero wept for joy and thanked the gods, as her journey was finally complete. I sing a song of our great TJCL Historian, who persisted against all odds to gain the boon of the Blue Powerade.

T.S. (Elliot):
Do I Dare Eat a Peach?/
Peach on the Beach Mash-up

And it’s like PEACH at the beach
Weird but it was beautiful
Flying in a PIT, stars by the BASKETFUL
You wanting PEACH tonight feels INEDIBLE
But it’s COOKIN down, no sound, it’s all around

Like PEACH on the beach (Do I dare eat a peach?) - 5x
Funnel Cakes

Today’s Funnel Cake is…
TIME, SPIRITED, GIRLS

Yesterday’s answer was PINK (Pink Tax, Mountbatten Pink, and Pink Lemonade)

Ella,
Congratulations on your TE performance. It was amazing!
-Not Tony

Alyssa—it is so great to be at NJCL with you again! Looking forward to at least 2 more! Semper Tua Magistra

MM: Getting to know you better has been one of the best parts of this summer and this week. Meliora accident, vero. ~MC

Maya, Nicole, & Riley,
Make the most of your last day. Can’t wait to hear all about your week in the Nationals Girlies van.
Love,
Magistra R

to mi amor: te amo. in perpetuum et diem

Hi peach, it’s me grape. They got me at the dining hall. It was great to have known you.

To my sweet Eastoners, We are a long way from our little town literally and I’m sappily proud of how far you’re coming figuratively. Watching you try things and meet people is as beautiful as reading Ovid. Discite et facite omnia!
- Magistr

Anny, I’m so happy you’re here at your 1st nationals having fun and making new friends. I’m proud to have you leading the NJ delegation and to see you growing as a leader. I hope you will be coming back for years to come.

Missing: Wyatt Roder’s belongings are often seen lying around campus:(

IT’S THE ONE ABOUT DUTY. THEY’RE ALL ABOUT DUTY.

YOU WERE FANTASTIC, ABSOLUTELY FANTASTIC. AND YOU KNOW WHAT? SO WAS I!
Dear IJCL CoChairs, Thank you so much for supporting us and the IN delegation at Nationals! Y'all’s unwavering support, attention to detail, and love are what makes the IJCL thrive. We’re incredibly excited to work with y’all and make this year fantastic!
- Your 23-24 IJCL Officers <3

DB and Mass Intermediate: Thanks for another fun and rewarding summer of coaching. Really hoping we’ll be celebrating our first shared win by the time you read this, but even if we’re not, all of you have been a blast to work with! ~MC

hi irene, don’t forget to take me home
-your pillow

Ambulator,
Thank you so much for another fantastic National Convention! Your outstanding dedication and leadership are what make CPJCL an amazing chapter to be a part of!
- Lucas, Hayden, & Brittany

to the Ear staff, i love you all
-irene

JL: I could not be more impressed by everything you’ve done as a JCLer thus far as a student-leader, and I cannot wait to see what the next two years hold for you! ~Magister

Indiana Certamen Team, I am so proud of your accomplishments this year! Great job following commands and being knowledgeable about Grimace!

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Hi Irene, don’t forget to take me home

MC: 250 characters isn’t anywhere enough to tell you how much fun it’s been to spend Convention with you the past two years. I can’t wait for next year! ~Also MC

shawn, ben, sid, katrina, noah, raees, irene, and of course all the other old fogies: thanks for making this twentieth (!) convention one of the most memorable in recent memory. here’s to many more!
-paul d.

Indiana Delegates,
You all have been a wonderful group. Stay snazzy and slay!
JCLove,
Haworth, Pappas, & Walker

Howdy Texas delegation, thank you for your note to us yesterday! We love the enthusiasm you bring to GAs, especially with your “Deep in the heart of Texas” chant! We’re always reminded that everything is bigger in Texas!
With love, Virginia

Aaditri, Ann, Gia, Tomiwa, Zoya - I hope you are enjoying your first Nats! I’m proud of you for trying so many new things! Vos amo!
-Magistra R

Hampden JCL, all 14 of you, gratias maximas for taking the chance on nationals and making this a great convention for Maine. Let’s go again next year. All up for Hampden Academy!
-Benny J / beej / latintut

Cole, Corina, Ellie, Peyton. It’s sad to see JCL come to an end and have you graduate from HA-JCL. Even though this is your last convention, I can’t wait to have your help at Maine JCL. Forsan et haec... I am so proud of all of you!

Sherman JCL, Thanks for letting me hang out with you this week! The many laughs are appreciated!
- Magistra R

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Clint, Mary, Mel, William - You are all awesome Co-Chairs and Texas would be lost without you! I’m lucky to have such wonderful colleagues and friends. Gratias maximas vobis! - K
Final Ear Crossword

Across

2. The best part of convention, according to Shriya
4. Animal not found at the Emory Petting Zoo, but found at the Agora being sold
10. What Magistra Briner can help you find
13. Can not be found on Emory’s campus
16. Individuals whose silver bowls were stolen, 3 let abbr.
21. To be sculpted, not eaten
22. I am become ___
25. Helen’s home
26. Italian, ___ profugus, Laviniaque venit
27. Hades protagonist
28. The previous NSCL Editor at Emory
29. The NUCL has as many of these as a typical beach has grains of sand
30. What the Emory cafeteria staff don’t want you to have

Down

1. The only respite that chaperones and sponsors have every day
2. State of the future presidency was on Sunday
5. JCLers from the Lone Star and Lobster states compete together
6. Surprisingly absent at Agora
7. There were a lot of them at the Constitutional Amendments Meeting
8. Contest office nickname
9. First emory theme
10. Today’s convention date
11. The opposite of the suburbs... or what Aurelia is known to be a fan of
12. We should just stab him
15. This barbie runs the NUCL office
17. They are called ___ because they like ___es
18. Ancient form of media that Joe Giambone unearthed
19. A retiring NatCom member’s go-to adjective
20. Knows both Fred and Apollo
23. The ___ hardened JCL criminal
24. What the Chorus was asking for
That’s Entertainment

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