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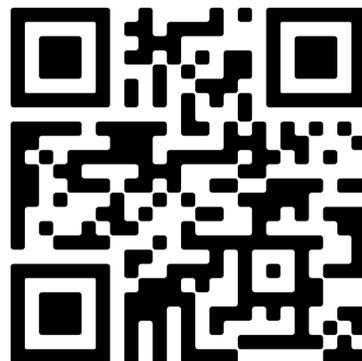
Definitely not Richmond

The Cakespiracy: Fully Baked

From Zoom GAs to the virtual dance, the JCL delegates have been denied the chat. If you're a frequent reader, you know all of these things. Yet, yesterday, we were granted access to chat? Suspicious. Finally, during *That's Entertainment!*, while chat was open, many comments were simply [message deleted]. At last, combining these ingredients, we know the one thing that unites all of these injustices: cake. All of this comes down to a multi-layered cake theory. **E v e r y t h i n g i s c o n n e c t e d.** The 45 min delay in publishing the *TE!* video, the fact that only cake-related comments were deleted and/or banned from the chat—these are only the most recent attacks on the Truth™. This recent battery is the result of desperate hackathon (known as a “bakeoff” in Cake Truther circles), between those who

want to light the candle of truth and those who want to keep you 1 cup short of the information you knead.

After a week full of these salty injustices (the icing on top of course), we finally have the sprinkles on top removed, revealing our truth. Remember, JCLers. Everything is cake. The JCL? Just Cake Lovers. The SCL? *Supreme Cake Lovers*. The ACL?! *Always Cake Lovers*. #cakefirmed. It was a miracle we managed to inform the JCL membership during *TE!* The moderators did their best to silence us, bundt we were not silent! We fought a hard battle with moderators before we managed to post the video with our message included. Yet, even now, they continue to crumble us. Keep telling the truth, Truthers. The world must know. *They can't have their cake and eat it too.*



A Night To Remember

(Because it will be on YouTube forever)

In what was a unique night for delegates, the NJCL, with assistance from the NSCL, created a *That's Entertainment!* for the ages! All of the acts were superb, and every one of our incredibly talented JCLers deserves endless praise for their creativity, dedication, and skill.

Several acts truly seized upon the opportunities provided by a digital convention, including Irene Calderon's stunning original choir composition and Anne Gregg's mesmerizing performance of an original piece creatively enhanced with precise video editing. However, none of the performers so fully captured the soul of the digital medium as Ethan Robertson who had the audacity

to Rickroll all of the NJCL with a beautiful piano performance of a “Waltz in C Major.” In this humble reviewer's opinion, we wouldn't have it any other way.

We would also like to thank our audience for watching. We put a lot of hard work into making *TE!* a great experience, and you make it all worth it. Watching hundreds of people joining in on the livestream brought smiles to the faces of those who worked tirelessly to bring you last night's entertainment.

Thank you all for being a part of our JCL family. We here at the *Ear* are never going to give you up, never going to let you down.



Brown Squirrel

Though the JCL tradition of making the three winners of *That's Entertainment!* lead a rendition of the children's song "Brown Squirrel" is long-standing, through virtual means this turned out to be tragically impossible. President of the "Brown Squirrel" fan club and representative of the SCL award committee Cameron Ward (GA) decided to take matters into his own hands.

After the moderators banned him from the chat within in the first 15 min of *TE!* for copy-pasting the entire first book of the *Aeneid*, Cameron grew bored, chose his top three JCL acts based solely on the number of lava lamps and snowglobes in the frame, and drove all through the night to hand-deliver an envelope of cash to three unsuspecting high school students, all of whom were asleep until Mr. Ward's arrival.

Despite the JCLers' enthusiasm at winning a cash prize (though we all know that the real prize is the friends we've made along the way), the parents and guardians of these delegates were less than enthusiastic. Said the mother of one of the unsuspecting *TE!* performers, "who are you?" Said another, "what?" The third award winner's parents joined in "Brown Squirrel," wrinkled up their little noses, and dropped a nut between their toes.

The parents of these performers then sent Mr. Ward back to convention at his own expense.



TE! Hosts Join Hype House

That's Entertainment! hosts Chris Harden and Alex Simmons reached out to the *Ear* with exciting news following last night's talent show. "I woke up this morning with a DM from the official @HypeHouse TikTok account!" Harden giddily reports. The two hosts were extended an invitation to join the Hype crew in their LA mansion and become professional Tokers. Regarding the contractual agreements, SCLawyers reached out to the Hype Housers and collected the following statements: "We saw their TikToks from the talent show last night, and I honestly just feel bad for them." claims a Lopez brother. "Their videos were so bad that we invited them to show them how to make *good* TikToks," agrees the other. Host Alex comments, "I didn't think our videos were that bad. I actually thought they were funny and I think the JCLers can back me up on this." Turns out, the JCLers sent the hosts' videos to Hype House, claiming "they need professional help." A fellow Hyper bounced off of Huddy, stating "TikTok is also very serious and opens many business opportunities. We sincerely hope they accept this offer and can create unity between the JCL and TikTok." That's right Addison, *ubi concordia, ibi victoria!*



That's Entertainment

Critics Consensus

In traditional fashion, *That's Entertainment!* started with a bang — 45 minutes late. But, man, did it recover! It was beautiful, devastating, and absolutely hilarious. And that was just what was going on in the chat. It was truly a cinematic masterpiece — an instant classic!



94%

TOMATOMETER

Total Count: 524



90%

AUDIENCE SCORE

User Ratings: 69,813

[SEE SCORE DETAILS](#)

 Wow! *That's Entertainment!* went surprisingly so well without me. Sorry I couldn't make an appearance. I was super busy fighting the powers that be to release our cake exposé. Anyways, if you or a loved one got your message deleted, you may be entitled to compensation. Call SCLawyers...

July 28, 2020 | Rating: 5/5 | [Full Review...](#)



Joe Cicero

SCLawyers

★ Top Critic

 I loved every second of *That's Entertainment!* My face was like this [see image] during my entire watch party. I mean, my video was frozen... but that's how I felt on the inside too.



July 28, 2020 | Rating: 9/5 | [Full Review...](#)



Jason Juang

NJCL Historian, DnD

Lover

 All the acts and skits were awesome, but I know there's more. There has to be! I mean, where was the NJCL Officer's Skit? Where's the non-CGI Racketeer performance? Brown Squirrel?? **RELEASE THE SNYDER CUT!**

July 28, 2020 | Rating: 4/5 | [Full Review...](#)



Zack Snyder

Secret Member of ACL

 I CANNOT BELIEVE I GOT RICK-ROLLED LIKE THAT!! THE UTTER SHAME I FELT WATCHING! THE. SHAME. AND FIFTEEN OF MY MESSAGES WERE DELETED??! WHAT'S SO WRONG WITH SAYING [Message Deleted] IN CHAT? WHY WON'T IT LET ME SAY [Message Deleted] ?! [Message Deleted] [Message Deleted] YOU'RE ALL CAKE!

July 28, 2020 | Rating: 1.5/5 | [Full Review...](#)



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Haiku Forgotten, Candidates Spared One More Year

Yet another year
Passed by without my presence
At Latin convention.

In Open Forum,
Back in 2018,
I once had appeared:

“Please state three goals for
Your National Classics Week,
But in a haiku,”

I instilled fear of
An impossible answer
To a “fun” question.

I still lurk in docs
Of questions for candidates.
Am I forgotten?

You may have missed me
In Fargo or wherever
Convention is now,

But I will return.
Maybe in San Diego...
Beware the haiku.

-Elizabeth Foster, WI

With only 364 days to prepare for TE 2021, here is a handy guide to pick your talent to audition with next year!!

| First Letter of Your First Name | Region You Live in | First Letter of your Last Name |
|--|---|--|
| A: Play ukulele B: Do gymnastics C: Facetime your parents D: Play violin E: Interpretive dance F: Sing opera G: Make TikToks H: Freestyle rap I: Spin a flag J: Meow loudly for 15 minutes K: Do celebrity impressions L: Juggle M: Write <i>Ear</i> articles N: Jump on a Pogo stick O: Lip-sync to your favorite song P: Sing an original song Q: Play piano R: Do a live DJ set S: Recite the entire Aeneid T: Eat strange foods U: Make origami cranes V: Do stand-up comedy W: Do card tricks X: Lay down and take a nap Y: Play guitar Z: Recite spoken word poetry | Midwest: while you're Southeast: because you're Southwest: instead of Northeast: without Northwest: but would rather be | A: going viral on the internet. B: harassing your Latin teacher. C: extremely sleep deprived. D: trying your best. E: infiltrating the SCL. F: narrating the whole thing in 3rd person. G: wanting to be a JCeLebrity. H: tying your shoes. I: getting left off of lists in the <i>Ear</i> . J: totally missing out on the experience. K: questioning your life choices. L: wandering aimlessly on stage. M: winning first place in everything. N: having to suffer the consequences. O: live tweeting the whole experience. P: eating Teddy Grahams. Q: singing “Brown Squirrel.” R: totally winging it. S: secretly enjoying it. T: having some extra time to kill. U: winning the admiration of your peers. V: old enough to know better. W: getting heckled by your friends. X: screaming into the void. Y: running out of other ideas. Z: traveling across the country for this. |

Rejected Q&A Questions

Jocelyn: *Salvete* everyone! We didn't get to answer all of your Q&A questions so here is some exclusive content!

Faith: For legal reasons, [this is a joke](#). Strictly satire.

Jocelyn: A question from Bfaith Bwoods of AlaskaJCL asks, "when y'all brush your teeth at night, what toothbrush do you use?"

Jocelyn and Elizabeth: We wel/kjasdf1q2r 3UIBqewyukf

Elizabeth: —Oh. Sorry. Go for it. Gavel order.

Jocelyn: We purchased the [Colgate 360 Adult Toothbrush, Medium \(4 Count\)](#) back at Fall Planning Meeting on our Walmart trip.

Elizabeth: Jocelyn and I have [blue](#).

Athena: I have the [green](#) one.

Faith: And I have [purple](#)!

Andy: In addition to the 800,000 [beakbrushes](#) for my 800,000 chickens, I own a [Oral-B Pulsar 3d White Advanced Vivid Soft Toothbrush](#).

Andrew: [*unavailable for comment*](#)

Jason: I prefer to use [Mountain Dew](#) as [oral hygiene](#).

Jocelyn: A question from BJake Brink [CheeseLandJCL](#) asks, crumple or fold?

Andrew: What?

Jason: He's asking about toi-

let paper.

Faith: So it seems...

Athena: I am very uncomfortable with the energy we have created in the studio tonight.

Elizabeth: So ummm reverse gavel order?

Andy: As I was saying about fruit in Troy...

Jocelyn: Moving on—[Burt Bruh-stroph](#) AustraliaJCL asks "[bruh](#)?"

All: Bruh.

Jocelyn: Our next question come from Bherwin Bittle of [IntrotoZoomJCL](#): Who is Sa//ust? Wait—how do you pronounce that? Shallots? [You mean like an onion?](#)

Elizabeth: No comment

Jason: No comment

Faith: No comment

Andrew: No comment

Athena: No comment

Andy: No comment

Jocelyn: No comment. And those are all the questions we had! Thank you for joining us, and *valete*.

Jason: And a giant thank you to the [NSCL Editor](#) for including this in the Cnvention Ear.

Cheers,
[Sa//ust](#)

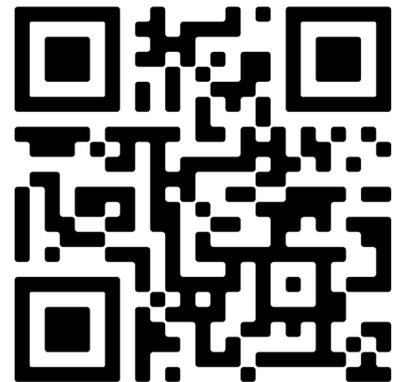
[NJCL Weather Forecast](#)

Everyone is so busy rewatching *That's Entertainment!* on loop, does the weather even matter?



EAR POINTS

Congratulations to Sophia Winger and Andrew Machkasov for each earning 1000 non-transferable Ear Points! Please copy the following "Ear Point Voucher" exactly 1000 times to redeem for Kudos at your convenience. Everyone who successfully completes one of these amazing crosswords also earns themselves a single Ear Point.



Scan or click the QR code to play Andrew's crossword!

[Animal Crossing: New Convention Update](#)

JCLers have been over participating in Ludi Wasp Catch searching for RichmondVA fruit. Please stop. We don't have enough fruit to sell for scholarship money.

-Octavian has rescinded his bid to become JCL Representative due to a scorpion sting he must attend to.

-REDD UPDATE: In an effort to help distinguish fake graphic arts submissions, the *Ear* has published a full [document](#) detailing the fakes.

Personals

To Maxine Mandt (FJCL Vice President)
“Dear the purple haired, sea foam green Crocs wearing tater tot, It has been an absolute blast knowing you and building shelves with you. I know that you will change the game as Vice President in the FJCL, wish you

Maddie, Lilly, Maxine, Kyle, and Hugo- thanks so much for all the friendship and good memories over the past year! I can't wait to see you again in San Diego!
Kevin

Ann Nguyen: fierce as a hippo.

Dear Key Card Gang,
It's been such a wild year with you guys. I love you all so much and though I'll be in SCL next year you bet I'm bringing our family tree to college with me. Here's to more memories and our office building.
JCLove, Maddie

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To Monique, Heidi, Norie, Chris, Evan, and Adi, I hope that you're enjoying Virtual Convention! I am so proud of all your successes so far, way to represent STE & Texas! E Corde - Mrs. Beinemann

To Shandi, Sam, Jamie, Chris, Savannah, and Alex^2, Thank you for all the late-night zoom calls. It makes me feel more like I am at convention - E

To Harper from NC:
Harper, you're incredible. I aspire to reach your level of JCeLebrity someday... thank you for your kindness, your love, and your smiles. I

WILL see and I WILL hug you next year!!

Love, Sav

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Maxine Mandt is an amazing VP, Florida is super lucky to have her :)

To Savannah from FL,
I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE!!

Love, Savannah from VA

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To Ms. Ghosheh—
It's impossible to express my love and appreciation for you in 250 characters. Thank you for being who you are. Thank you for doing what you do. Thank you for being a role model, a mentor, a friend, and an absolute STAR!

SCL has been killing it with the ear, it's continually made me smile in all this chaos :.)

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Stage crew,
You may have gotten replaced this year, but you will never be replaced in my heart.

[message deleted]

Hi, JCL and specifically Daniel Newgarden. I wanted to congratulate you on your victory! I also wanted to tell you that you are quite a beautiful person and I would love to talk with you sometime. I hope this isn't weird but it's all in the spirit of

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Happy Nats Maxie
My best VP
Love you

from dakota to the njcl
) :-) :3 :P >:O :o :^D
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To the IJCL
Thank you so much for supporting me this year. It means so much to me that it is impossible to describe in 150 characters.
From your editor

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Purps,
You're one of the most amazing JCLers I have ever met in my entire time in the organization. Thank you for all of the FaceTimes, random memes, and inside jokes! You are so funny, kind, and supportive. I really appreciate you, and I'm so grateful

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Want to submit graphic arts, without the work of making those graphic arts? Want to ensure top placements in graphic arts and creative arts? Reach out to REDD! Find us on the secret beach hidden behind Richmond-VA!

The SCL is a great family! Thanks to everyone who contributed with cards and gifts recently. I was so overwhelmed by the thoughts and actions from each and every one of you. I don't think I've ever felt so supported. I love you all!

-Tony

Dear Jajine,
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Dajota.

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@LSCL You folk are amazing! I love you all.

Savvy Thompson,
Although we've only met in person for like, 5 seconds at Fargo, I feel like I've known you for years. From our ridiculous FaceTime calls with Harper and Tyler, late night convos about life, and technical difficulties in trivia, I am so

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My name is [redacted], I'm from [redacted], and my ID is [redacted]. Please DON'T include my name in this PLEASE I BEG OF YOU DON'T DO IT

FJCLers,
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-Obi Wan >^..^<

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Austin, Elan, and Nick - Hope you are enjoying your first convention and are already planning for the next one! - Mrs. McD

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