



The ConventionEAR

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THAT WAS ENTERTAINMENT!

Packing the Indiana University Auditorium last night, JCLers treated themselves to a night full of singing, dancing, and humor at this year's That's Entertainment.

Opening with a drag race, in the truest sense, the evening got off to a raucous start. Our indispensable SCL hosts for the evening were Heather Albright (for the second year in a row), Tamaira Gless, and Wayne Memmot. Following the not-quite-so-clean race, we were serenaded by Chloe Crellin's (UT) Cannon in D on harp and Lauren Helton's (KY) \$40 second-place winning rendition of Castle on a Cloud from Les Mis.

Reflecting on conventions of yore, we were unfortunately reminded of our arid time at Kentucky and the waterlogged Richmond. Kevin Kilgallon of Illinois played a number on the slide guitar, earning him the third place \$20 prize. Lianna Cotant (WI) and Rachel Rosenbloom's (WI) innovative use of fishnet, in concert with Rob Zombie, ushered in the era of heavy-metal That's Entertainment dances.

Recognizing Certamen's growing popularity, FIFA sponsored the World Cup of Certamen. The three-way face off between Italy, France, and the United Stated ended violently when a member of the Italian team was finished by a Frenchman.

Hailing from North Dakota, Albert Choi tickled the ivories with his swinging Maple Leaf Rag. Following Choi, Stefano Ianoco (TX) impressed all with his balladic rendition of Josh Groban's Raise Me Up. His performance earned him this \$60 first-place prize and inspired the audience and their cell phones to sway along. For the third year running, we were dazzled by a traditional Indian dance, this time courtesy of Nishi Jani of Ohio. In stark contrast to the rhythmic beats of Jani's dance, Daniel Rosenfeld (CA) filled the room with one of Chopin's haunting melodies.

After a brief So You Think You Can Dance interlude, Jennifer Friedman (IL) scored big points with the audience with her original music for The Format's She Doesn't Get It. In an Illinois tag-team, Prasht Jayaraman, Jon Chang, Eric Schroeder, Mark Ethrungton, and Chris Cornellie earned an honorable mention and a standing ovation for their saxophone-Mario fusion. Jane Bialek's (IL) impressively lit modern dance wowed all. After the Illinois stretch, we moved one state to the east and were serenaded by Rachel Ziegler (IN) and her seconds-place Italian aria.

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NEWS YOU WON'T USE!

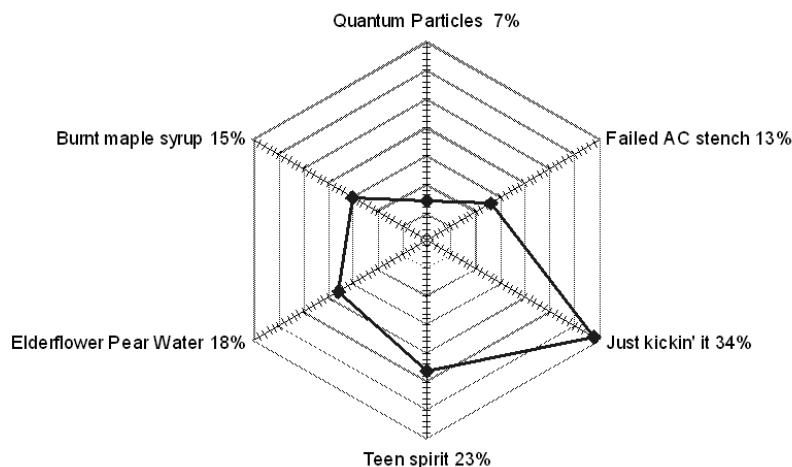
- ☛ The white radish is a traditional Indiana symbol of good luck.
- ☛ You can enter the code 6PKVT T9ZJZ G4XP7 on www.mycokerewards.com. Let us know whether you win.
- ☛ 96 tropical cyclones have affected the state of Delaware since 1749.
- ☛ Cats' urine glows in the dark.
- ☛ Sometimes you feel like a nut. Sometimes, you don't.
- ☛ Isaac Newton invented calculus in a week.
- ☛ A 950 gram box of Goldfish crackers contains 160 grams of fat.
- ☛ It's the end of the world as we know it, and I feel fine.
- ☛ Only you can prevent forest fires.

WEATHER REPORT
TOMORROW:
100% Chance of
Planes, Trains, and
Automobiles.
See you all next year!

Last night's winners bask in the glory of victory and cold, hard, untraceable cash.



What does your dorm room smell like?



That's Entertainment, cont'd

For comedic relief, the SCL poked fun at the NJCL officers, highlighting Zach Fenno and Drew Rowny's propensity to sing selections from Grease. Afterwards, Amanda VanDughnhaven (GA) tapped her way to stardom. For the last act, Jordan Stacey performed a heart-tugging harmonica/vocal/guitar original, complete with audience participation (Don't we all need a teen heartthrob?)

Rounding out the evening was the JCL officers' treachery-filled power struggle skit and the 22nd appearance of everyone's favorite high-style dancers, the Racketeers. While showing off her impressive dancing skills, Susan Schearer congratulated all involved and asked for donations for the SCL scholarship fund. With one final round of applause, the evening came to a successful close.

Ludi Soccer Results

1st - Indiana/Georgia/Maine

2nd- Ohio

3rd- Texas/South Carolina

4th- Louisiana/Tennessee

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Certamen Finals

Novice: FL TX MA

Intermediate: FL TX MA

Upper: FL TN CA

The 2006 Convention Ear Indigents

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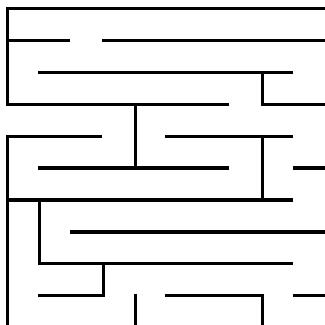
Fashion Advisor - Carolyn Troha

Madam of the Skanks - Trisha Tan

Rose of the Powell Estate - Sara Radosevich

...and all the other members of our underground community.

Maze!



Sounds Like a Personal Issue!

Dennis:

Roses R Red
Violets R Blue
11 conventions down
9 more to goo! (Rhymes better than go!)
Love, Susan

To Those HOT ALABAMA GUYS
You're awesome! You're awesome!
Hit Em in the head w/a big dead possum!!

Tyler: What is the twin planet of Raxacorricofallapatorius? (Yes, I had to look it up.)

Sara: No comment.

Dear NCP Upper Certamen Team-
You guys are my inspirational sports movie heros! I ❤ U! Way to contend nationally! (While I'm at it, Kavindd is uber-sexxyl!)

Kavindawg,

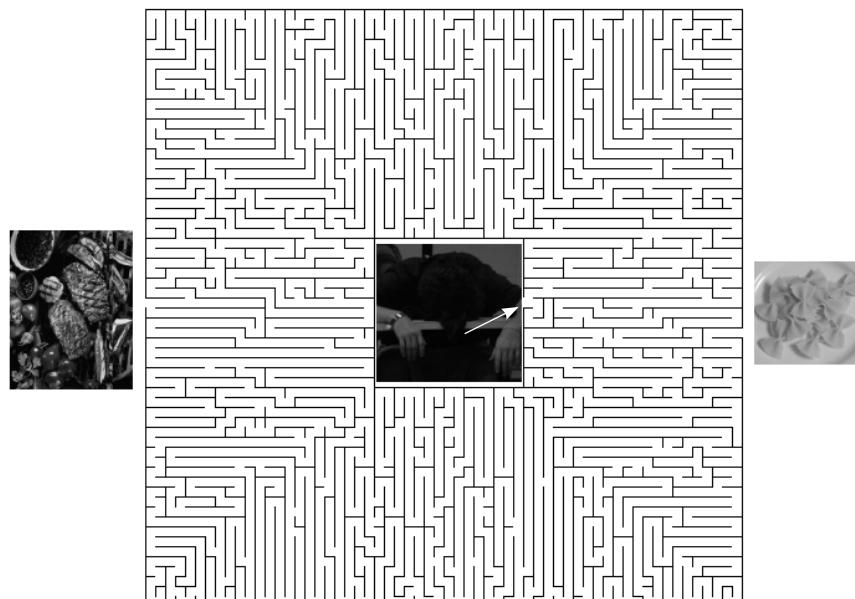
I am like totally jealous of you. You has all them secret admirers and I got no body. Please help me get some more loving. Be a pal and yeh. Holla back!

Stacy you rock hardcore.
Keep it trill.
The Ultra Fly EJB

Mr. Adam Dede,
There appears to have been an error in your Convention Ear profile. It stated that you have "devilishly good looks", yet I have reports from several reliable sources that you are in fact "devastatingly handsome." Such errors can undermine the security of one's campaign.
— Office of Campaign Integrity

"Bona," inquit G. Canis "sit fortuna Floridae in Certamine."

Delicious cuisine or McNutt fare?
Help our JCLer get fed!



Personally, I Dislike Clever Titles

Lil' Bit,

You are beyond extraordinary, and I am so very proud. Am I allowed to say that? Well, you know the rest.

All my love,

Big Bit

Hey y'all! Stealing art is WRONG! Just sayin'.

—Indiana Delegation (Hoosier Buddy?)

PS Hiding it in the bathroom just makes it worse!

In Addition:

Virginia's president has a cute butt!
Can I have your screen name?

— Your lover

Alexa C.

Hey Bunch Burch!

Could you carry our luggage through the airport again? Also, stop singing "Redneck Woman." You're neither!

— Allison & Anna

Chuck Norris wears Badtz Maru unsewreare. TMI!

Mr. Revard,

I'll sleep in my own room tonight.

S.O.

PS. Congrats on your presidency

Texas princes:

Dude, you need to chill out. Stop yelling at those of us who are preset at fellowship—we're at least tryin'!

National Officers,

You know I love you! Great work this year.

Your Florida Friend,

Seany

RR, DJ, JC, GR:

Please, please, PLEASE! Would one of you beat me at hearts? I'm getting bored.

— The Soulfalyer

Exfoliate! Exfoliate!

Brooke, Kate, & Chris,

You've been a highlight of my career and a great part of my life for the past 5 years. Good luck in college!

— Mr. A.

Ms. Kusch:

Thanks you for bringing Latin into my life. It is always something I will treasure dearly.

Along with the infallible Shakira, you are definitely up there in my list of heroes.

Love, Erick

Dear Texas,

Prepare for trouble

Make it double!

To protect the word from devastation,

To unite all peoples within our nation,

To denounce the evils of truth and love,

To extend our reach to the stars above,,

Jess! James!

Team Rocket blast off at the speed of light!

Surrender now or prepare to fight!

Moose! That's right!

WAAABUFFET!

— N.C.

Teeda,

You are so my squishy, I heart you.

— Jen

Sara,

Partners in crime & for always.

Sock Puppet: ✓✓++++

Steve, please be Gentle. Convention is always so much fun when you're around.

Steve—

Thanks for the ONE back massage.
It's at least a start.

— Jen

I heart my State!!

Love, Teeda (Illinois)

Tyler & Nathaniel—

What a 4some we made (kinda like a quadrangle, but better).
TE rocked.

Rachel & Rachel from PA...

Let's make a Philly cheese steak "sandwich!"

-Dan and Bolan, OH

Lisanna, Judy, Kathy, Judy, ands Diana:

Thank you for your decorating help. Without you, microphones would have no meaning, and guitars no air.

-Pam

Evan Broder-

You are the picture of manliness.
Heart the LJCL girls

Hey Ladies-

When you go to the Farewell Dance watch out for Phillip J. Katz, Indiana's own Stud of Abraham.

Kentucky Friend, Kyle-

I want you, a need you, I love you, Oh baby, oh baby. Dashboard = love.

-That one from Cali

Mr. Cox.

Thank you so much for all the time and effort you've spent on us this summer- you know it's paid off. Good luck next year in Florida. We're going to miss you so much!

-The MA certaminists

To Mr. Lee, Mr. Himwich, Ms. Mathis, Mr. Thompson:

Thank you for all of your support, your immense dedication, and all of the love, and knowledge you've given us.

-Your students, the lowers (intermediate)

Bro-der's Gee-Ky!!

Clap, clap- clap, clap, clap
-your Latin homies

Seriously, You Wrote a Lot of Personals

To my lover Tito, who, as his alter ego Christopher Kohort, terrorizes young JCLers and crushes souls. And to think, he didn't have a misanthropic vein in his body until he started taking Latin

Love,
Muffin

Davis is a hot, sexy, beast. You're an awesome captain!

Love,
Corey (and Adjani, Bunus, Dianna, and Thanh)

Party Box!

Derek,
It has been a pleasure to be "yuus magister" the past four years.
"Bona fortuna" this year at Indiana University.

Magister Jochum
Indiana

WI! In your eye!

To the former Tennessee State Officers:

Thanks for sticking around to pass the torch on & help out our new crew. Couldn't do it without your help!

-TJCL Co-chairs

Izzy-
You represent North Dakota well.
You rock... you really, really rock!!
Love-
NDJCL

Reminder to those who are attending the extra special tour coordinated by me, please meet at 3:15pm around McNutt. The X man promised transportation and he never lies. That I know of.

Toss-up 20
Q1: In the years 1996-200 C.E., what Certamen Emperor was the best known for leading his troops to besiege all interstate exits containing both a Wal-mart and a Cracker Barrel

in their path?

A: Ed Long

B1: Which general finally brought about the emperor's downfall through a misinformation campaign regarding time zone changes?

A: Rand-McNally

B2: What campaign did the emperor continue undeterred, despite his disappointment with the general?

A: Hosting the 2007 NJCL Convention in Knoxville, TN.

Steven Haag-

You were the prettiest boy of all.
Heart Lauren & Mallory, SCL \$ Collectors

Is your name Michelle? Do you like winning? Then come find Louisiana and ask for Caitie. She will award you an amazing prize.

Hey Ms. Landry-

Thanks for all the great memories.
You rock!
-Your 2005-2006 Executive Board & the whole LJCL delegation

I heart Jordan Stacey

Sincerely, the girl with the Mario mushroom

Punk-

What a week!! You showed great leadership and made our week. . . . one we'll never forget!! We are proud of you.

Love, M and D

Mags,

14 to go! I guess I'd better keep coming back...

Love always,
Olivia Circe

Hey Ward's Mom!

Ilana and Helen are BFFL's because they can share ice cream!
Heart CHS Girls

Cain,

It has been such a privilege working with you the past few years. I'm glad it's not over yet! Great job this year, buddy.

Kisses,

S.O.

Certain members of the Texas delegation would like to ask the Tennessee delegation to stop referring to the University of Tennessee as "UT" as that it is in fact the abbreviation of the University of Texas.

Thank you.

Dear A-

I think the plate should be our new goal. Maybe. And only if you're my roomie till then. Takahomasak?

Love always, N

Dear Panva, Chager, Dubie, Mr. Franklin, and Andrew,
Thank you for EVERYTHING!

Lots of love,
Megan, Sarah, Tito, Amanda, Kiran, Marcus, Phillip, Ryan, Duke, Jasmin, Kate, Tom, Masan, and Quinn

To my favorite:
The bumbledillo says hi!

Love: Your favorite.

GJCL Officers,
You have really come together and done an excellent job this week. Keep up the good work.

-Ward

Kat, Jenny, Ilana, Justine, Ally, Matt and Chris,

I am very proud of you once again. You have done an excellent job and have made me smile. Bring this enthusiasm home with us and make this year great. -Ward

Even More Personals

To our Super Sexy Mario Brothers-
You guys are awesome! Can I
borrow the Princess Peach costume
sometime? Love Always-
Your favorite SCLers
(Teeda & Jen)

Big daddy Gentle, thanks for blessing
us with the dad-mobile...and the
“necessary” trips that kept me
sane...and the coffee with too much
white chocolate...I mean what’s up
with that...it didn’t even taste like
coffee. Crazy.

To TN’s intermediate certamen
team:
Y’all rocked. You shall again.
Your #1 fan

LSCL boys/men, you guys rock.
Thanks for making convention fun
for us fogies. Takahomasak?
-LSCL girls/women

Timmy rocks the socks off all our
moms. Love you boo!
-Thanks

Dear Brandon (LA)-
I’m really proud of all your
accomplishments this year. Can’t
wait till it’s your turn on stage! Now
if you can master dancing, you’ll be
set...
-N (grad. 97 A.D.)

Melody,
Crumpets for life.
<3 Your little tart

Dear Drew,
We’ll be you homies!
-JB, EF, MW, GG Texas

Jen-Thanks for helping me navigate
the parking lots of evil. Is Europe
really more important than
convention? Roomies for ever (as
long as we know we are both showing
up).

Dear Steph-o,
You are an amazing person and a
fantastic friend. Thanks for enduring
my long rambling and for rooming
with me. I’m really going to miss you
this coming year. Amicitiae nostrae
memoriam spero sempiternam fore!
With love from Calpurnia

To everyone who screamed their
heads off:
Don’t worry! Pumpkins are
available!
-Pumpkin Head #1

Caitlin Johnston-
Congrats on being elected Editor!
I know you’ll be AWESOME! (Sorry
about the bruise)
James

LA Matthew, you can always
successfully date us... that is, in a
couple of years...when it’s legal.
- your LSCL admirers

NJJCL-
Keep on feeling the power of rock
and roll.
-NJSCL

Prop run?

I love trees too!

Jessica-Parliamentarian

OJCL:
Your sgt-at-arms is ours now. Hope
you don’t mind.

Papa D and Stu,
We love you with all our hearts.
Kisses galore,
S, T, A, and T

Georgia loves Allyson! We are so
proud of our girl! No snake will get
her!
Hugs & Hisses,
Mrs. Faulkner

My Dear Florida,
You all make me proud. Great job this
year. I can’t wait for states!
Your,
T.K.-Regina Formicarum

Hey! California, you played a great
round! Good luck in finals! Texas
uppers’ got your back!

To the BIG Katydid that rode around
Bloomington with us, goodbye
forever (unless you stow away in
Ana’s camera bag).

ROSE You are so so so scandalous!
Thanks for making this another
amazing convention!
Scandalously yours,
you-know-who

Hey you down there...
Someone loves you dearly.
-your captain

Wanted: The original Dole pineapple
(sliced or diced)
Reward: Anything you ever wanted

Mags-
Gratias for the ius pomorum and all
the encouragement.
Love,
Chill, Bee, Ebennett, and the sparkly
one

LOST ITEM
An MP3 player has been lost. It’s
blue/dark blue & it’s in a sort of
plastic thing you can attach to your
pants. If you find it please contact
Mara Trochez or turn it in to the JCL
lost and found.

A-Rob,
We love you and will miss you! It’s
been a blast watching you grow up
over the years!
-Sublett & Little

Where is Mars?

Personals, Personals, Personals!

Hey Nicole,
Thank you for working so hard to make the spirit AMAZING this year! We love you & good luck w/ your NJCL 2nd VP application!

Love,
Double A, Doctor Darkness, the Asian, Ootter, K-Mac Fresh, and the LJCL boys

James Black and Sarah Peebles, Florida's golden twins:
Bonam fortunam as you lead NSCL next year! We love you!

Heinrich,
Your momma Sue Bob and I are plum proud of your performance at your first NJCL convention. Defend your daddy's tiddleywinks championship against Texas & give FJCL my love.
Freddie Miller
You are the best, Oeneus. Have a happy year.
Magistra

ZOMBIES trump pirates and ninjas!!

Hey Shawn Lin,
You looked so good today in your boulder costume. You literally "rocked" my socks off! Hee Hee Hee!
Meet me at lunch tomorrow...I'll be wearing a yellow shirt!
Love,

Your secret admirer

Dear Nora, Jessica, Becca, & other Tennesseans,
Thanks for teaming up with us to form the greatest team known to JCL...team LATEN!
-LJCL boys & girls

Dear Ms. Landry,
Thank you for working so hard this week to make sure we had our Daily Ootter. Also, I want to thank you for warning us about the zombies!
Double A

LJCL,
I wouldn't wash shirts for any other state! See y'all in TN next year with Tide and quarters!

Love,
Mrs. Webb

OSCL
You rock! Thanks for keeping the traditions alive!
Sublett & Gentle

Dear I-
Ready to drive to TN? I'm glad I'm not scared of you anymore.
I love you-
N

I found my hat!!!
Thanks for all the loving' I got from Illinois. Now I have to shower because I smell like pond. Cur simiae in carceribus ducti sunt?
FOGHAT!

-Smokey Rivers, NCP IL

Go Cali, Go Cali!

Tom, Josh, Richard and Ruchi,
We are proud of you
-Magister H

Thank you TN, esp. Alyssa & Shannon for pitching in at the 11th hour!

To all of my students
I hope that you all had a smashing convention!
-Mr. J

We really enjoyed the opportunity to play such a great team, Texas!
Magister Hanley, California coach

Wisconsin,
After you beat us in spirit we thought of you as rivals. However, we got to know you better this year, and we found you are really nice.
Louisiana

Fructus
Amor viri
-SM

No Steviepoo you cannot have your nametag

Way to be Talent-tastic Illinois!

Glad you made it Fu

Baguettes, Fromage, Escargot
French Certamen
Go! Go! Go!

Steve- Hello Dear, whatcha looking at? Check it out.
Sara

R.C.R., J.C., and dearest C.S., 20 years!! Who would have thought that our relationship would have lasted this long? Love T.M.

Indiana JCL: There is no other delegation that can compare to your hospitality and enthusiasm. You are the greatest!

Steve- you've upgraded to a ✓
Sara and Jen

Horse or stallion?

Legend! Back at you!

Steve, I really appreciate all of the help you gave me this week.
Tony

Before I go, I just want to tell you that you were fantastic. Absolutely fantastic. And you know what? So was I.

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That's Entertainment Edition

Page VI Editor's Note: That's Entertainment entertained us all. Enjoy these photos of last night's acts.

