

"THE COOK OFF"

PARKS AND RECREATION

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**COLD OPEN**INT. PARKS DEPARTMENT OFFICE - DAY

Everyone is working on their projects. JERRY walks in smiling.

JERRY

Are you guys excited for my family reunion tomorrow? It's going to be a lot of fun.

Everyone groans. LESLIE stands up.

LESLIE

Guys c'mon. This might be fun. If you recall, Jerry had a heart attack and frankly we don't know how much time he has left.

Jerry's smile leaves his face.

TOM

Can I please not go? I would literally rather do anything else. Anything. I'd even go shopping at the Gap. That's not something I would do!

APRIL

Yeah I second that. Orin is having a birthday party at the bowling alley for his bird Parrot Leto. And he's going to be performing a Gregorian chant. I really want to go.

LESLIE

No. Everyone is going to Jerry's reunion.

They groan again.

LESLIE

Jerry is a good employee,  
sometimes, and he really wants us  
there so we are all going to his  
family reunion even if it kills us.  
Who knows, it could be a really fun  
day?

LESLIE TALKING HEAD

LESLIE

Oh this won't be any fun at all.  
This may actually be the most  
boring thing I've done all month  
and I spent a day reading to senior  
citizens at the library.

Beat.

LESLIE

The library.

**END OF COLD OPEN**

ACT ONEEXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - NEXT DAY

The Parks gang arrive at the park and see all of Jerry's family is already there. Leslie and BEN have a bottle of wine in their hand.

Jerry and his wife GAYLE start walking over to the entrance of the park.

TOM

Leslie are you sure I can't leave?

LESLIE

No Tom. We are already here. I mean if I could just go home and watch Madeleine Albright speeches all day online I would. Actually--

BEN

No.

LESLIE

No you're right. Stay for Jerry.

Jerry and Gayle smile as they approach them. Leslie hands them the bottle.

GAYLE

You didn't have to do that. Thank you so much.

LESLIE

Please it was nothing.

JERRY

I am just so glad you guys could make it today.

B-roll: People are talking and drinking and laughing. They are all beautiful people.

GAYLE

Thank you all so much for joining  
us today. Follow me I'll introduce  
you to some people.

APRIL stares, disgruntled.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - CONTINUOUS

Leslie and Ben are talking to Jerry's brother BARRY.

BEN

So yeah, I do think Darth Vader has  
to be back in some form, Barry.

They laugh.

LESLIE

(half laughing)

I don't... I don't get it.

Gayle walks over with a woman.

JERRY

And this is Barry's wife Valerie.  
Vale for short.

LESLIE

Wow. Jerry, Gayle, Barry and Vale.  
No pattern whatsoever.

VALE

Leslie it's nice to meet you I  
heard so much about you and what  
you do for your community. I am  
glad there are people in this world  
really making a change for the  
betterment of society.

LESLIE TALKING HEAD

LESLIE

This is going a lot better than I  
imagined. Jerry surprisingly has a  
really nice family.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - MOMENTS LATER

BARRY

And then I just had to ask this one  
to marry me.

GAYLE

I always love hearing that story.  
(hugging Jerry)  
It makes me think of when I wed  
this hunk of love.

BEN TALKING HEAD

BEN

Did Gayle's parents force her to go  
with Jerry in some sort of  
antiquated arranged marriage? Or  
maybe she was part of the mob and  
had to go into hiding so she chose  
Jerry as a way to escape her past.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - TABLES

RON is talking with an OLDER MAN at a table.

OLDER MAN

And we had to fight our way out. Oh  
it was scary. Thank god I had a  
flamethrower handy. We just watched  
the forest burn to ashes and the  
people scatter. We stepped over  
several decrepit bodies on our way  
back to the camp and boy were we  
exhausted.

Beat.

OLDER MAN

It was a great time to be alive.

RON

(grinning)

Wow. Just fascinating. Please go  
on, Ed.

ED

Then when the war was over we got back to a government in shambles. I mean, how is it legal to tax citizens on their income? What a crazy world we live in. The government, you can't trust it.

RON

(standing)

Right you are. I'm going to get something to drink. Is there anything I can get you?

ED

I know I shouldn't have it, but, oh what the hell, a Lagavulin neat.

Ron is smiling ear to ear.

RON TALKING HEAD

RON

I like Ed.

ED

(in the background)

Don't even get me started on the post office. Bunch of hypocrites.

RON

This is going much better than I anticipated.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - GRILLS

April, ANDY and ANN are standing around a man who looks to be in his mid 40s.

MAN

How is it at the parks and rec department with cousin Gary?

APRIL

Well first of all it's Jerry. Second, it's horrible.

The other day we had to be called to get a raccoon out of a lady's kitchen because the animal control workers were taking a siesta.

ANDY

I am not sure if you know what my wife means sir. A fiesta is a nap in the middle of--

ANN

No, Andy.

MAN

It's quite alright. I know a little about Spain. Last week I had a couple come in to the funeral home and tell me all about their younger days there.

APRIL

(delighted)

You work at a funeral home?

MAN

Yes. I'm a mortician.

APRIL

That is awesome. I have so many questions. How many bodies do you get in a week? Do they smell? Did anyone every come in dead but was actually alive the whole time and woke up in a casket? Have you ever had to kill somebody to keep business afloat? After how long does the body start to decay?

Ann is disgusted.

APRIL TALKING HEAD

APRIL

(emotional)

This is a great day.



EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - ENTRANCE

COUNCILMAN JEREMY JAMM holds a lawn chair and a cooler while a crowd of people behind him walk into the park.

JAMM

Hey what are these losers doing  
here?

Jerry's family and some of the parks and rec group walk over to see what the commotion is about.

LESLIE

What's going on here?

JAMM

Oh Ms. Knope. Surprise surprise. I  
should've known you would be behind  
something fun and charming.

(yelling)

But the show's over folks!

LESLIE

What are you talking about? Get out  
of here Jamm. What are you doing  
here anyway? This is a reunion for  
Jerry's family and through a  
surprise turn of events it has  
indeed become fun and charming  
despite what we originally thought.

JERRY

Really? Oh that means a lot.

LESLIE

Jerry not now!

JAMM

For your information, I booked this  
park for my triennial gathering of  
colleagues from the Indiana  
Association of Orthodontists.

LESLIE

You couldn't have booked this park.  
Jerry had this one taken.

JAMM

On the con-trar-y Les-lie.

Jamm puts the lawn chair and cooler down and pulls out a folded piece of paper. He unfolds it and shows it to Leslie.

JAMM

Bam. You just got Jammed.

LESLIE

(getting angry)

Son of a--

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - TABLES - CONTINUOUS

Tom is talking to a group of people with DONNA. They burst out laughing. Leslie angrily walks to Tom with Jamm, his people, Jerry's family, and the parks department behind her.

Leslie holds out the paper Jamm handed her.

LESLIE

Tom why is your signature on this?  
Would you mind explaining?

TOM

Well...

INT. PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT - FLASHBACK

Tom is sitting at his desk reading over some papers.

JERRY

Tom, could you do me a favor and  
give me the paperwork I need to use  
the park on the third? I'm having a  
little family reunion.

Tom is laughing. April walks in.

APRIL

What's so funny?

TOM  
(through laughter)  
Jerry is... having a family...  
reunion.

APRIL  
Oh my god that's hilarious.

April and Tom laugh in unison. Jerry is displeased.

JERRY  
Can I please just get the  
paperwork.

TOM  
(sarcastic)  
Yeah Jerry. I'll help you with your  
"family reunion."

INT. PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT - FLASHBACK - MOMENTS  
LATER

Jamm walks in.

JAMM  
Hey I need to use the park on the  
third for a party. Give me what I  
need for that.

TOM  
Why would I help you? You sabotaged  
my friend's wedding and you tried  
to sue my other friend after said  
wedding.

JAMM  
I'll give you a whole five dollars  
off your next copay.

Tom immediately pulls out the paperwork. He points with a pen  
to the paper.

TOM  
Sign here and here and here.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - TABLES - BACK TO PRESENT DAY

Jamm is smiling while Leslie is irritated.

LESLIE

Tom why would you do that?

TOM

I really, truly thought Jerry wasn't going to have a family reunion. I'm sorry. Please accept my apology. Pleaseeeeeeeeeee.

LESLIE

Alright alright.

(to Jamm)

Jamm, would it really trouble you to go to another park and do this? Or maybe wait till tomorrow. See, we are already having an event going on.

JAMM

No can do Knope. This is the only day we could all get together.

LESLIE

But Jamm we are having a good time and it wouldn't be fair to Jerry and his family.

JAMM

It's not fair to me that you have an irresponsible employee.

TOM

Hey! Everybody would think a Gergich family reunion is a joke!

JAMM

You know what's a joke? You're whole department!

LESLIE

Okay that's enough. Get out of here.

JAMM

No, you leave.

LESLIE

No, I am staying with my friends.

JAMM

I think I know what this calls for.

LESLIE

Don't you dare.

JAMM

A good ol' fashioned Pawnee cook-off. It's on.

LESLIE

Crap.

**END OF ACT ONE**

**ACT TWO****EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - BEHIND GRILLS**

Leslie, Ben, Chris and Ron are huddled up by a grill preparing for the cook-off.

LESLIE

There are three people on a team for a Pawnee cook-off. I need two other people. Ben obviously because this is what he married me for.

BEN

Really?

LESLIE

Yes Ben. If you are not going to be there for me twenty four hours a day three hundred sixty five days a year and support me through everything no matter what it is then why would you get into a relationship with me?

Ben looks into the camera confused.

**LESLIE TALKING HEAD**

LESLIE

The Pawnee cook-off dates back to 1837 when restaurateurs, Gabriel Mancaso and James Burrton, both wanted land for a new restaurant. When they couldn't decide on who gets the property, they settled their disagreement by cooking ribs for four hours. The citizens came out to watch as they ferociously killed the cows and cooked them. In the end, James won.

Beat.

LESLIE

Gabriel shot and killed him right on the spot but since it was so popular at the time it's been used to settle land disputes ever since.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - BEHIND GRILLS - CONTINUOUS

RON

Leslie I would like to be your third. I know my way around ribs. And I have won a Pawnee cook-off before.

LESLIE

Okay, sure Ron.

RON TALKING HEAD

RON

A few years back I wanted a log cabin. Someone else also wanted the log cabin, so a cook-off ensued. The judges unanimously chose my ribs. My opponent tried my ribs and passed out from the succulence and tantalizing flavor. A few days later I received a call from a Martha Stewart asking me to make her ribs for an event. I thought it was a congresswoman asking me to make food for a fund raiser so I declined.

Beat.

RON

I now know I shouldn't have declined.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - BEHIND GRILLS - CONTINUOUS

LESLIE

Jamm's going to select his judges so now we need two people for the judging panel.

And a fifth impartial judge. God why did they have to make this so much work?

CHRIS

Leslie, I think I can be the impartial judge. I swear, I will in no way at all ever give you an advantage. Even if I cannot stand Jamm for the life of me.

LESLIE

Are you sure? You're okay eating ribs?

CHRIS

Absolutely. My therapist Dr. Richard Nygard told me to be a little more adventurous, so I think one day of fatty foods may possibly not guide me to a destructive death.

LESLIE

(fake smile)

Great.

CHRIS

And you know what I'll go ask the rest of the department who wants to be your two judges.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - TABLES - CONTINUOUS

The parks department are standing together talking amongst Jerry's family. Chris walks into their conversation.

CHRIS

Guys listen up. Leslie needs two judges to eat the ribs at the panel for the cook-off. Who wants to do it?

ANDY

Me! Me! Me! I want to do it!



APRIL

If Andy's doing it I guess I can too.

CHRIS

Great. We're set.

DONNA

Hang on. I want to try some.

TOM

I could go for some ribs as well.  
My tummy's gurgling.

DONNA

Why don't we make this interesting?  
Let's have a little competition of  
our own. Three games. The winning  
team gets to be on the panel. Tom  
and I verse you two.

APRIL

You're on.

ANDY

Oh my gosh I never thought I would  
love going to Jerry's family  
reunion this much. I didn't even  
think family reunions were real.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - GRILLS - JAMM'S SIDE

Jamm is drinking and talking to a couple of colleagues around  
a grill when Chris walks up.

JAMM

(to friends)

I told her to get back over that  
border you know what I'm saying?

Jamm's group laughs.

JAMM

(to Chris)

Hello Mr. Handsome City Manager.  
What can I do you for?

CHRIS

I'm not here for small talk. I just need to know who your two judges are and if you would be alright with me being the fifth judge. I literally swear that I will be unbiased.

JAMM

Well I got these two broads.

He points to TWO LADIES standing by a cooler.

JAMM

One of them worked at a big time grill in Indianapolis so we might have the advantage. And since we are talking about advantages.

Jamm reaches in his pocket and pulls out a \$10 bill and a mint.

JAMM

I think Alexander Hamilton would like to see Jeremy Jamm as the winner in today's festivities. As well as his close friend Sir Minty Fresh.

CHRIS

I cannot take a bribe can you give me a yes or no answer.

JAMM

Integrity. I like that. Okay sure you can be the last judge. But just make sure Knope doesn't win.

Chris is relieved.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - GRILLS

Ron is unpacking meat and laying it on a table. Jerry stares at his watch.

JERRY

You guys have four hours starting--

He presses his stopwatch.

JERRY

Now.

Leslie, Ben, and Ron get right into the meat. She looks at Jamm's side and they are following suit. She looks a little worried.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - CORNHOLE SETUP

Andy, April, Chris, Donna, and Tom are holding bean bags and are ready to start their competition. Donna and Tom walk to the opposite side and start practicing by throwing a few bags.

APRIL

You think you can handle this?

ANDY

Are you kidding babe? I think we have this one locked down.

Andy eyes a board a few feet away. He loads up his throw and then releases. The bean bag goes several yards over the board.

ANDY

Boom! Look at that. There's no way they are winning this.

APRIL

That's not how it works. You try and get them in the hole or on the board.

ANDY

Are you sure? Isn't the board just a form of measurement.

APRIL

Positive. Just follow me.

Chris blows a whistle in the middle of the setup.

CHRIS  
Alright teams, lets start this.

SERIES OF SHOTS - CORNHOLE GAME

- A) Andy throws and gets one on the board.
- B) Tom gets one in the hole.
- C) There are two beanbags on the board and April throws one in the hole.
- D) Donna throws one and it falls off the side of the board.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - CORNHOLE SETUP - CONTINUOUS

CHRIS  
That's a win for Andy and April's team.

Chris blows a whistle. Donna and Tom sigh. It's going to be a long competition.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - TABLES

Ann is drinking a beer and talking to Jerry. She's bored by the conversation.

JERRY  
It was a terrible mole. I'm really glad they were able to remove it. Of course the scar is still there but what can you do?

Ann looks past Jerry. She sees an ATTRACTIVE MAN about her age standing around another guy drinking.

ANN  
(to Jerry)  
Yeah I know.

Beat.

ANN

Jerry I'll be right back.

Ann walks over to the guy on Jamm's side.

ANN

Hi. I'm Ann.

ATTRACTIVE MAN

Ann. Nice to meet you. I'm Noah.

They shake hands.

ANN

I can honestly say I did not expect this to be how the day turned out.

NOAH

Neither can I. A long week of work as an orthodontist and I finally get to see something different for a change.

He takes a sip from his drink.

ANN

You're an orthodontist? That's cool. I'm a part-time nurse, part-time health department employee. We are sort of in the same field.

NOAH

I guess we are.

A woman walks by and looks at the attractive man.

WOMAN

I'll call you tomorrow.

NOAH

Sure thing.

ANN

Is that your girlfriend?

NOAH  
Nope. Completely single.

ANN  
Really? Me too.

They look and smile at each other a little too long. A YOUNG WOMAN walks into their conversation.

YOUNG WOMAN  
(flirtatiously)  
Hi Noah. It's nice to see you here.

ANN TALKING HEAD

ANN  
I think there's some competition  
out there. I need to lock this one  
down and fast.

**END OF ACT TWO**

**ACT THREE**EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - GRILLS - LESLIE'S SIDE

Ribs are sizzling on a grill. Ron is working on a rub for them. Ben is organizing some of the ingredients. Leslie is standing over them.

LESLIE

Jerry what's the time?

JERRY

Two more hours Leslie.

JAMM

Plenty of time.

Leslie is still nervous she might not win this.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - FIELD

Andy, April, Chris, Donna, and Tom move over to a small patch of grass.

DONNA

Next is bocce. You guys ready to lose?

APRIL

We're already in the lead so we only need this win and you two are banished from the town forever.

ANDY

I didn't know we added that to the pot?

CHRIS

Why don't you guys practice for a minute before we begin?

The smaller ball is a few feet away from Andy. He takes the larger ball and throws it as far as he can and it lands way beyond the small ball.

ANDY

Nailed it.

April stares blankly into the camera.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - TABLES

Ann is sitting and talking with Noah at the tables. The younger woman is sitting next to Ann across from Noah.

NOAH

And I told her that's not a watch!

They laugh.

ANN

That's hysterical.

YOUNG WOMAN

You're so funny.

The young woman looks at her phone.

YOUNG WOMAN

Oh no I have to go. Okay Noah I'll see you around.

NOAH

Nice to see you again.

Noah hugs her goodbye. She walks away.

EXT. ANN TALKING HEAD

ANN

This has to be the guy right? He is super cute, super funny, super sweet. I can't get him off of my mind. Oh no. This means... Brad Pitt I'm sorry but I'm gonna have to move you to second.

Ann looks up like she's thinking.



ANN

Okay you can stay in first for a little while longer.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - TABLES

ANN

Can you just tell me again what you do on the weekends?

NOAH

Generally I get up make a little breakfast then go straight over to the animal shelter.

Ann smiles and nods into the camera.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - HORSESHOE SETUP

Andy, April, Chris, Donna, and Tom are huddled up a few feet from the horseshoe stakes.

CHRIS

The competition is tied. The team that wins this gets the ribs. Take a minute to practice.

They walk away from the huddle. Andy and April stand on one side and Donna and Tom stand next to them with Chris in the middle.

Andy picks up a horseshoe and fiddles with it for a second in his hand. April spots this and walks over to him. She tries to take it out of his hand.

APRIL

No, Andy what you have to do is-

Andy throws the horseshoe and it completely wraps around the stake.

APRIL

Oh.

ANDY

You think I don't know how to play  
horseshoes? I'm not stupid babe.

Chris blows a whistle.

CHRIS

Game time people!

SERIES OF SHOTS - HORSESHOE GAME

A) Andy throws and it lands just in front of the stake.

B) Donna goes and it wraps around a stake. She high-fives  
Tom.

C) April goes and it lands to the side of the stake.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK - HORSESHOE SETUP

Chris tallies on a piece of paper.

CHRIS

That's it. The winners are Donna  
and Tom by a slight margin.  
Congratulations.

TOM

Yesssssss.

DONNA

Oh yeah I am getting some ribs in  
me today baby.

Andy is frowning. He walks away. April goes after him.

APRIL

Hey, it's okay. If you want I can  
make you ribs at home.

ANDY

What's the point?

Donna sees April consoling Andy.

DONNA

Tom let Andy have your spot.

TOM

What?! No! I earned these ribs  
baby.

DONNA

You also got us into this mess in  
the first place. Look at how sad he  
is.

Andy is sitting in the grass. April has her arms wrapped  
around him.

TOM

(sighs)

Fine.

(to Andy)

Hey Andy. If you want, you can take  
my spot at the judging panel.

Andy's face lights up.

ANDY

Really?! You're the best Tom!

Andy runs over and tightly hugs Tom. Donna and Andy walk away  
with Chris to the grills. April walks over to Tom and stands  
next to him.

TOM

Man, I really wanted those ribs.

APRIL

You can have my ribs.

TOM

You made ribs?

APRIL

I meant the ones from my body.

EXT. MAPLEWOOD PARK GRILLS

Jerry looks at his watch again.

JERRY AND HIS FAMILY

3... 2... 1...

JERRY

Time's up guys.

Leslie and Jamm pick up their plates of ribs and bring them to the table for judging. Jamm goes first. Leslie stands to the side holding her plate.

JAMM

I think you'll find mine to be superior to dumb Knope's. My special ingredient was in your face!

Leslie rolls her eyes.

Donna, Andy, Chris, and Jamm's two judges eat.

ANDY

Not bad.

Leslie puts her plate down. She gives a look to Ron. He nods back at her.

ANDY

Oh my god! These are delicious.

DONNA

Damn Knope you outdid yourself here.

Jamm's two judges nod in agreement.

Leslie smiles and high-fives Ben and Ron.

LESLIE

Yes! We did it guys! We are better cooks than Jamm!

(to Jamm)

Okay councilman. You can get your stuff and go now.

JAMM

I'm not going anywhere.

(yelling)

Bring the chair and coolers and snacks. It's a Jamm party! A Jamm jam!

LESLIE

But we won. So back off and you can come back another day. You know the rules.

JAMM

Why don't you back off?

He pushes Leslie. The crowd gasps. Ben goes to her side.

JERRY

(fed up)

That's it. Gergich's! Assemble!

Jerry's family forms a line. They stand hand in hand.

GAYLE

Ready?

They move in unison to Jamm's side and push him and his people towards the entrance of the park. The Parks and Rec gang follow behind the Gergich's.

They stop right by the street. Jamm's group is nearly outside of the park.

JAMM

Wait a second. Is that? What?!

Noah? What are you doing with them?

Jamm is worked up. Noah is holding hands in the Gergich line.

NOAH

I am supporting my family. That's what I'm doing Jamm.

Ann is standing with Leslie off to the side of the Gergich line in the park.

ANN  
(stunned)  
You're related to Jerry?

NOAH  
We're first cousins. Is that a problem?

ANN  
Yeah that's a problem. You're Jerry's family that's a deal breaker. What about those two girls?

NOAH  
One of them is my coworker and the other one is my niece.

ANN  
Well that settles that. And I thought you could be the one. Brad Pitt isn't going anywhere!

LESLIE  
Really? The one, Ann? You just met him. We need a long talk over waffles at JJ's tomorrow about your behavior.

JAMM  
And you were hitting on the hot nurse too? Why Noah why?!

Jamm starts screaming and crying. He falls into the hands of one of his colleagues.

JAMM  
No no no. Why?! How could you?!

BEN  
Leslie, he's really bent out of shape.

Leslie sighs. She steps up in front of the Gergich line in front of Jamm who is still being consoled.

LESLIE

Jerry, would it be okay?

Jerry looks at Gayle who is holding his hand in the line. She smiles. Jerry smiles and nods back.

LESLIE

Jamm, you can stay with your friends if you share the park with Jerry and his nice and oddly gorgeous family. But you have to promise that you won't be a jerk.

Jamm gets out of the hands of his colleague. He wipes a tear.

JAMM

You mean it Knope?

LESLIE

Yes. But you have to be nice.

JAMM

I promise buddy!

Jamm rushes to Leslie and gives her a big hug. It's a very tight hug.

JAMM

You won't regret this my friend.

LESLIE

Well I kinda am. Somebody help me I'm losing circulation.

**END OF ACT THREE**

TAGINT. PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT - NEXT DAY

Everyone is back working. Leslie is standing at her desk.

Jerry walks in with his briefcase. He stops in the middle of the room.

JERRY

Thank you guys so much for coming yesterday. Gayle and I couldn't stop talking about what a wonderful time we had. We talked and we think we should do this every year.

They all yell no at him.

LESLIE TALKING HEAD

LESLIE

Everything went smoothly afterward. Jamm wasn't an ass. Jerry and his family were very welcoming. But Ann and I seriously need to talk today. I'm afraid she's going to sell herself to a Ukrainian businessman for a cup of coffee any day now. She really needs my help.

INT. PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

April gets up from her desk with a tupperware container and walks to Tom's desk. There is something in the container.

APRIL

Here.

She holds out the container to Tom. He opens it. It's a rib.

APRIL

It's from yesterday. I had Andy save one of Leslie's.

TOM

Thanks April.



APRIL

But it was in Champions' mouth last  
night we lost all his toys.

TOM

It's the thought that counts I  
suppose.

They smile at each other.

Ben walks in and goes towards Leslie standing at her desk.

LESLIE

Hey babe.

BEN

(rushing)

Hey, I've been thinking about it  
all morning and I think I might've  
gotten it.

(whispering)

Do you think Gayle is being held  
captive? Should we check old milk  
cartons? Or maybe she's trying to  
swindle money out of Jerry and is  
waiting for him to, you know, go?

LESLIE

(smiling)

Those are two great possibilities.

**END OF SHOW**