*A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Food Bank*

Men’s Club Virtual Comedy Night—Presented by the Feldman-When Family

Saturday, February 13, 2021, 7:30 PM EST

PROGRAM GUIDE/CALL SHEET

1. Key Contacts
2. Shalom Collaboration
3. Other Performers
4. Q Audio Visual
5. Nate Horowitz 216-303-0800
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7. Shani Kadis 216-339-8873
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9. Ed Weinstein 330-931-8494
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12. Joel Herman 216-299-5700
13. Chad Cohen 216-870-9113
14. David Cohen 330-425-4989
15. Advisor
16. Designated Laughers
17. Video References (for insertion at designated points during show)
18. Video 1-B (preview)
19. Video 2-C (surprise greeting)
20. Video 3-D (opening)
21. Video 4-E (greetings from two Cleveland food banks)
22. Sheet 5 Food Bank Links
23. Sheet 6 Word document for copying and pasting
24. Sheet 7 Performers’ social media
25. Sheet 8 Sponsor Video
26. Sheet 9 Food Bank links
27. Video 10-F (Closing)
28. Call sheet (Instructions for Nate are in red) (pronunciation guides are in blue)

Note: For all stand-up acts, i.e., not including performances by Katie and T.J., Nate should send a “red light” note when 6 minutes have passed. He should send red light to Katie an10d T.J. after their improv segment has lasted 9 minutes.

7:15 PM EST Play Video 1-B (Preview) repeatedly, which includes list of sponsors and the food banks; all squares muted

7:28 PM EST Play Video 2-C (Surprise)

7:30 PM EST Play Video 3-D (Opening), which includes intro. of all performers, concluding with introduction of the Shalom Collaboration; all squares muted

7:33 PM EST EST Spotlight on “Katie Klein” and “T.J. Shanoff” Zoom squares; all other squares muted

* Opening song
* Welcome by Katie and T.J. Introduction of event, food banks and sponsors.
* Introduction of Mark Klein (as in Katie’s last name)
  + Louisville, Kentucky
  + Has performed across the country at comedy clubs, on cruise ships and at corporate events for over 30 years
  + Entertainment credits include CBS, Showtime, Forbes, GQ and Sirius XM.

7:38 PM EST Spotlight on “Mark Klein” Zoom square; designated laughers (prefers to hear them, but not see them)

* Mark performs

7:45 PM EST Spotlight on “Katie Klein” and “T.J. Shanoff” Zoom squares; all squares muted

* Vamping by Katie and T.J.
* Katie and T.J. perform improv
* Introduction of Josh Kramer (as in Meryl’s last name)
  + Gross Schechter Day School, Shaker Heights High School and The Ohio State University.
  + An emerging stand-up performer appearing on stage in New York and Cleveland
  + Josh celebrated his 33rd birthday yesterday

7:58 PM EST Spotlight on “Josh Kramer” Zoom square; designated laughers

* Josh performs (he or Ilana Kramer (a designated laugher) might send a chat during the performance with words to a song)

8:05 PM EST Spotlight on “Katie Klein” and “T.J. Shanoff” Zoom squares; all squares muted

* Vamping by Katie and T.J.
* Introduce Marc Jaffe (jaf’eee)
* Graduate of Hawken School
* Accomplished comedic writer, including credits with *Seinfeld* and *Mad About You*
* Has been performing stand-up comedy for 40 years
* Marc will perform again on April 24th as part of a fundraiser for *Shaking With Laughter,* a nonprofit organization that he cofounded with his wife Karen and which raises funds for Parkinson’s Disease research

8:08 PM EST Spotlight on “Marc Jaffe”; designated laughers

* Marc performs

8:15 PM EST Spotlight on “Katie Klein” and “T.J. Shanoff” Zoom squares; all squares muted

* Vamping by Katie and T.J. and plug for the food banks
* Katie: “We will now hear from Kristin Warzocha (war zoch’ a) , the President and CEO of the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, and Barry Feldman, a member of the Board of Directors of the Cleveland Kosher Food Pantry, who will talk to us about the great efforts being made to feed the hungry by their organizations. I should note that Barry and his family are the principal sponsors of tonight’s event. The work done by these two food banks is representative of the accomplishments of the 13 different food banks located throughout the country which will benefit from the proceeds raised by all of us today.”
* Play Video 4-E (food banks)
* Focus on Katie and T.J.; all other squares muted
* Katie: “ Thank you, Kristin and Barry. We encourage all of you to take a moment this evening to make an additional contribution tonight using the links provided in the chat room.”
* Post Sheets 5A-B on screen and in chat room, with Sheet 6.
* Introduction of Ian Bardenstein (Bard’in steen)
  + Another graduate of Gross Schechter Day School and Shaker Heights High School
  + Stanford University.
  + Grew up in Congregation B’nai Jeshurun.
  + Has written sketch comedy with San Francisco's *Killing My Lobster* and performed standup throughout the Bay Area.

8:20 PM EST Spotlight on “Ian Bardenstein” square; designated laughers

* Ian performs

8:27 PM EST Spotlight on “Katie Klein” and “T.J. Shanoff” Zoom squares; all squares muted

* Vamping by Katie and T.J. and introduction of Ester Steinberg (stein’berg)) (stein as in Albert Einstein)
* NYU Tisch School of the Arts
* Starred in Oxygen’s hit show *Funny Girls.*
* Serves as the producer and hostess for the monthly Kibitz Room Comedy Show at Canter’s Deli in L.A.
* Performed at many of the top comedy clubs in New York, L.A. and throughout the country, including the Gotham Comedy Club, the Laugh Factory, Comedy Store and Improv.
* Appeared on *the Marvelous Mrs. Maisel* television show.
* Mother to Baby Moses and currently the host of the *Stand Up Mom* Podcast

8:30 PM EST Spotlight on “Ester Steinberg” Zoom square; designated laughers

* Ester performs

8:37 PM EST Spotlight on “Katie Klein” and “T.J. Shanoff” Zoom squares; all squares muted

* Vamping by Katie and T.J.
* Introduction of Mitch and Ed by Katie
* “Mitch and Ed are active members of the B’nai Jeshurun Men’s Club. Mitch has worked as an actor and in other facets of the entertainment industry for most of his adult life. He has a great passion for Broadway theater. Ed’s lone credit in theater is that he played a tree in the Wizard of Oz when his daughter Anna was in a Beachwood Community Theater production of the show. With Mitch’s perspective as an actor and the guidance of Ed’s family members, two of whom work in the entertainment industry, they put together this wonderful show. It is evident that the show is truly a labor of love for both of them.”

8:40 PM EST Spotlight on “Mitch Lauer” and “Ed Weinstein” Zoom squares; everyone muted

* Mitch: thank you to Katie, T.J., all of our other performers and all of our corporate sponsors; provide background on Katie and T.J. and plug Shalom Collaboration; Scrolling Video 1 (corporate sponsors) and Sheet 3 (performers) to be posted on Zoom and in chat room
* Ed: encourage contributions to food banks; Sheets 2a and 2b (list of food banks) to be posted on Zoom and in chat room

Ed: Thank you, Mitch. First, I would like to thank our tech crew, Mitch, Chad Cohen and David Cohen, and especially our professional Zoom Master, Nate Horowitz of Q Audio Visual. Thank you, Nate, for all of your assistance and use of your state-of-the-art, COVID-safe studio tonight in Highland Heights, Ohio as our command center.

Friends, this show is one of many events held by our congregation, B’nai Jeshurun, during the past seven days as part of Chesed Week, sponsored by the Joel Schwarz Memorial Chesed Fund. Our congregants have performed many acts of “chesed,” or kindness, to help the less fortunate members of our community. Tonight, we have asked you to help us support food banks located throughout the country. As we heard earlier from Kristen and Barry, their organizations and the other food banks have stepped up to the plate throughout this difficult year by providing hot meals for our neighbors in need who would have otherwise suffered from hunger. We are very grateful that you have decided to join us tonight and want you to know that 100% of your $18 registration fees will support the selected food banks because our kind sponsors have covered the administrative costs of this evening. Nonetheless, we ask you to make additional direct donations to the food banks. The donation links are provided in the Chat Room and on the Men’s Club section of the B’nai Yeshurun website. Also, we will send you the links in a follow-up email during the next few days so that you can make donations. Thanks to our performers and all of you in the audience, we have already raised $9,000 and know that we will raise more during the rest of this evening and over the course of the n few days. Thank you!

* It is now my pleasure to introduce our next performer, Sy Jacobs.
* When Sy was my roommate at Miami University, he not only visited the gym to work out, but he did other exercises.
* Every night, he stood in front of the mirror and toned up his comedy skills by doing 15 Johnny Carson shoulder curls. They looked like this.------- Sy also did 10 Henny Youngman timing exercises. “Take My Wife, Please”. “Take My Wife, Please.”
* Tonight, years later, Sy is still in great comedic shape and will entertain us with his jokes. Take it away, Sy

8:45 PM EST Spotlight on “Sy Jacobs” Zoom square; unmute “Mike Wilson” Zoom square and the Designated Laughers (Lou Innenberg should be visible) (Ed Weinstein should be visible)

* Sy performs

8:52 PM Spotlight on “Katie Klein” and “T.J. Shanoff” Zoom squares; all squares muted

* Vamping by Katie and T.J. and introduction of Ali Kolbert (col’bert)
* Katie to introduce Ali:
  + NYU Tisch School of the Arts.
  + Impressive resume of stand-up comedy and comedic writing
  + She has worked as a writer at The Onion and has performed at The Laughing Skull Comedy Festival in Atlanta, The Big Sky Comedy Festival in Montana, the Today Show with Kathie Lee and Hoda, Tru TV’s Comedy Knockout, NBC’s Bring The Funny, A Little Late with Lily Singh and The Tonight Show with Jimmy Fallon
  + Ali was recently included in Variety Magazine’s July Comedy Issue and was profiled in Forbes Under 30.

8:55 PM Spotlight on “Ali Kolbert” Zoom; designated laughers

* Ali performs

9:02 PM Spotlight on “Katie Klien” and “T.J. Shanoff”; all squares muted

* Vamping and song by Katie and T.J.
* Thank all performers Post Sheet 7
* Thank all sponsors Post Video 8 scroll
* Encourage contributions to the food banks Sheets 9 A and B

9:06 PM EST Play Video 10-F (Credits)

9:10 PM Sign-off