

AKO 2018 VA'ADIM CONFERENCE AGENDA

Renaissance Hotel - Woodbridge, New Jersey

July 8-10, 2018

Welcome to Woodbridge, New Jersey! All meals being served throughout the conference are *pas Yisroel*, *bishul Yisroel*, and *chalav Yisroel* where applicable. All meat and poultry are either Solomon's, Birdsboro, or KJ. Only farm-raised salmon is being served. Sunrise is 5:35-5:36 AM and sunset is 8:29-8:30 PM during the days of the conference. The Renaissance is located at 515 US-1 South in Woodbridge, NJ. For any questions or specific needs contact Rabbi Moshe Reich, conference coordinator (845) 323-5057.

SUNDAY EVENING

5:30 PM	Conference Registration	Renaissance Hotel Lobby
6:15	Mincha	Sapphire Room
6:30	Dinner Greetings by Rabbi Ari Senter, Conference Host, KOF-K	Diamond Ballroom C&D
7:30	Goals and Introduction of Attendees Rabbi Sholem Fishbane, AKO	Diamond Ballroom A&B
7:45	Teraifos in Packaged Chicken שאלות that make it all the way to the butcher shop With a presentation on the Mesorah of kosher birds Rabbi Chaim Loike, OU Rabbi Daniel Senter, KOF-K	
9:00	Hasagas Gevul Competing for accounts, employees, and work Q&A following the session Rabbi Shmuel Fuerst, Dayan, Agudas Yisroel of Illinois Rabbi Dovid Grossman, Dayan, Bais Havaad שיעור <i>is</i> נשמת לזכר Rabbi Chaim Goldzweig, and will be preceded by דברי אזכרה <i>by Rabbi Moshe Katz, cRc</i>	
10:00	Shidduchim – The Va'ad's Role Rabbi Shmuel Fuerst, Dayan, Agudas Yisroel of Illinois Rabbi Tzodek Katz, Noted Shadchan	
10:20	Ma'ariv	Sapphire Room
10:35	Q&A with Rabbi Fuerst with focus on Smaller Communities Choshen Mishpat Q&A with Rabbi Grossman Shidduchim – The Va'ad's Role; Networking with Rabbi Tzodek Katz	Diamond Ballroom A&B

MONDAY MORNING

6:30	Daf Yomi – Rabbi Tzvi Fischer, Vaad of Oregon Coffee & Tea available beginning at 6 AM	Sapphire Room
7:15	Shacharis	Sapphire Room
8:15	Breakfast	Diamond Ballroom C&D

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- 9:15 **AKO Transitions** Diamond Ballroom A&B
Rabbi Dovid Jenkins, OU
זכרונם לטוב
Rabbi Zushe Blech, EarthKosher
Rabbi Meir Goldberg, Vaad of Flatbush
Rabbi Chaim Goldzweig, OU
Rabbi Dovid Steigman, OK
- Introduction of New Agency Directors**
Rabbi Sholom Hirsh Adler, Earth Kosher
Rabbi Dovid Rosen, COR
Rabbi Moshe Wainkrantz, KCOR
- 9:40 **Certification of a Food Service Mashgiach**
Rabbi Avrohom Weinrib, AKO/Cincinnati Kosher
- 10:00 **Shtaros for Pesach and Shabbos**
Nursing homes, manufacturers, distributors
Q&A following the session
Rabbi Shmuel Fuerst, Dayan, Agudas Yisroel of Illinois
- 11:00 **The Do's and Don'ts of Crisis Management**
Mr. Menachem Lubinsky, Lubicom
- 11:30 **Do Eggs Require Bishul Yisroel?**
Rabbi Doniel Neustadt, Rav, Pine River Village
- 12:00 **Time Zone Shailos**
Rabbi Shmuel Mayer Katz, KOF-K Dayan
- 12:30 **Ask the Posek**
Please submit questions in advance to dcohen@crcweb.org
Rabbi Shmuel Fuerst, Dayan, Agudas Yisroel of Illinois
Rabbi Menachem Genack, OU
Rabbi Shmuel Mayer Katz, KOF-K Dayan
Rabbi Doniel Neustadt, Rav, Pine River Village
Moderated by Rabbi Ari Senter, KOF-K

MONDAY AFTERNOON

- 1:30 **Lunch** Diamond Ballroom C&D
דברי ברכה – **Rabbi Zechariah Senter, KOF-K**
- 2:30 **Mincha** Sapphire Room
- 2:50 **Non-Kashrus Shailos at Hotels** Diamond Ballroom A&B
Rabbi Zev Smith, Rosh Mesivta, Yeshiva Torah Vodaas
- 3:50 **Balancing Work and Family Life**
Dr. David Lieberman, PsyD, noted author and lecturer
- 4:50 **Break**
Pilpul Chaveirim
Open Forum with the Experts
Rabbi Tzvi Heber, COR (תולעים)
Rabbi Pinchas Juravel, KOF-K (ingredients)
Rabbi Akiva Niehaus, cRc (liquor)
Rabbi Yitzchak Gornish, KOF-K (ingredients)
- 5:20 **Video Cameras at Food Service Establishments**
Rabbi Shimon Adler, Vaad of the Five Towns

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- 6:00 Q&A for the AKO Executives**
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Rabbi Moshe Elefant, OU
Rabbi Saul Emanuel, MK
Rabbi Sholem Y. Fishbane, cRc
Rabbi Menachem Genack, OU
Rabbi Don Yoel Levy, OK
Rabbi Ari Senter, KOF-K
Moderated by Rabbi Nosson Dubin, HKA (Houston)
- 6:30 Rav Yaakov Yosef – Start of modern kashrus oversight in the USA**
Rabbi Yonah Landau, Author, *The Rav Hakolel and His Generation*

MONDAY EVENING

- 7:15 Dinner** Diamond Ballroom C&D
Conference attendee picture before dinner
סיום לזכר נשמת רב יעקב יוסף זצ"ל הרב הכולל
Rabbi Yosef Eisen, Vaad of the Five Towns
- 8:15 Warming Drawers and פלטות** Diamond Ballroom A&B
Q&A Following the session
Rabbi Moshe Chaim Kahan, KOF-K Dayan
- 9:00 Recollections on Rabbi Aharon Felder, Founding KOF-K Dayan**
- 9:15 The \$1,000 Sandwich**
Q&A Following the session
Rabbi Simcha Bunim Cohen, Rav, Khal Ateres Yeshaya
- 10:00 Ma'ariv** Sapphire Room
- 10:15 Sushi and Dessert Reception** Diamond Ballroom C&D
Pilpul Chaveirim
Open Forum with the Experts
Rabbi Tzvi Heber, COR (תולעים)
Rabbi Mordechai Levin, KOF-K (ingredients)
Rabbi Akiva Niehaus, cRc (liquor)
Rabbi Yitzchak Gornish, KOF-K (ingredients)
Small-Va'adim Meeting Sapphire Room
Moderated by Rabbi Raphie Schochet, Rhode Island Kosher
- 11:00 Pool Available for Men's Swim**

TUESDAY MORNING

- 6:45 Daf Yomi – Rabbi Moshe Elefant, OU** Ruby Room
Coffee & Tea available beginning at 6 AM
- 7:30 Shacharis** Ruby Room
- 8:15 Breakfast** Crystal Room A
- 9:15 Full Disclosure?** Crystal Room B&C
The halachic and moral requirement for disclosing our standards to consumers
Rabbi Berel Bell, MK Dayan

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- 9:45 **Understanding and accepting Israeli Hashgachos**
Rabbi Shmuel Weiner, ZNT Kosher (Israel)
Rabbi Zalman Krems, Independent Kashrus Professional
- 10:30 **Standing up for our Principles**
Certifying events whose non-halachic elements conflict with our religious beliefs
Rabbi Sholom Tendler, Star-K
Rabbi Mordechai Biser Esq., Agudath Israel of America
- 11:15 **Out of Town Kashrus**
Rabbi Chaim Bruk, Vaad HaKashrus of Montana
Rabbi Shaul Gallor, Rhode Island Kosher
Rabbi Yitzchok Kowalsky, OV
- 11:45 **Building Community Support for your Vaad**
Rabbi Sholey Klein, Dallas-K
- 12:30 **Technology and Kashrus**
Newest technology for *kashering*
Rabbi Moshe Perlmutter, Independent Kashrus Professional

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

- 1:30 **Lunch** Crystal Room A
ברכה בדברי from Rabbi Shlomo Gissinger, KOF-K Dayan
- 2:30 **Rating Food Service Establishments** Crystal Room B&C
An innovative, objective, measure of standards
Rabbi Moshe Gutnick, KA Australia
- 2:50 **בדיקת תולעים** Crystal Room B&C
Rabbi Shlomo Gissinger, KOF-K Dayan
- 3:10 **Monitoring Butcher Shops**
Rabbi Yaakov Teichman, OK
- 3:30 **Getting Along with Proprietors**
Rabbi Yaakov Eisenbach, cRc
Rabbi Dov Schreier, OU
- 3:55 **AKO Business**
Membership Minimum Standards - Bedikas Tolayim
Health and Life Insurance for AKO Members
Rabbi Sholem Fishbane, AKO
- 4:15 **Creative Kashrus Ideas**
3-5 minutes per idea or new kashrus issue
Audience Participation
- 4:35 **Closing Remarks**
Rabbi Moshe Reich, KOF-K, AKO Conference Coordinator
- 4:45 **Mincha**

Boxed dinner meals will be available.

THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING!!