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ARAMARK-Santa Clara Convention Center

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2008 Meetings

Jan 15	Crowne Plaza Cabana, Palo Alto	"All About NACE"
Feb 19	Santa Clara Convention Center	"Going Green in a Silicon World"
March 19	Hyatt Regency, Santa Clara	"The Culinary Demonstration"
April 15	The Toll House Hotel, Los Gatos	"An Evening of Chocolate Decadence"
May 20	Palo Alto Hills Golf & Country Club	"50th Anniversary of NACE" (annual joint meeting with San Francisco NACE)
June 17	Winchester Mystery House, San Jose	"Taking the Mystery out of Teamwork"
July 15	Rosie McCann's Irish Pub, San Jose	"Network, Network, Network"
Aug 19	Maggiano's Little Italy, San Jose	(to be announced)
Sept 16	San Jose Marriott	(to be announced)
Oct 21	(to be announced)	"Annual Gala"
Nov 18	Four Seasons Silicon Valley, Palo Alto	"Annual Awards Dinner"

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