

RESTAURANT HOSPITALITY

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What, Where & When

SEPTEMBER

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TOTALLY TOMATO

Just how many heirloom tomatoes are there? Lots. The Kendall-Jackson winery in Fulton, CA, touts 175 varieties for its 12th annual Heirloom Tomato Festival. One week later, on 9/14, the NatureSweet Carmel TomatoFest promises that 350 types will be on display during its event at the Quail Lodge Resort in Carmel (www.tomatofest.com).

☎ 800-769-3649
www.kj.com

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MEGA MEET AND GREET

The Women's Foodservice Forum convenes its invitation-only Executive Women's Summit at the Ritz-Carlton in Chicago.

☎ 888-368-8008
womensfoodserviceforum.com

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TRACK DOWN TROUBLE

We're predicting standing-room-only attendance for the day-long "Food Traceability: Securing the Food



TRACEABILITY: Could RFID tags help solve or even prevent many food safety issues? Find out at RFID World in Las Vegas.

Supply Chain" workshop that will be part of the RFID World 2008 Conference in Las Vegas. The event takes place at the MGM Grand.

☎ 415-947-6136
www.rfid-world.com/2008

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CHEF CENTRAL

Heston Blumenthal, Charlie Trotter and Grant Achatz perform cooking demos at the 3rd annual StarChefs.com International Chefs Congress. The Park Avenue Armory in New York City hosts this event. Go online to get an invitation.

☎ 212-066-3775
www.starchefs.com

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THE BIG PICTURE

Find out where the foodservice industry stands today and where it's headed tomorrow as the International Foodservice Manufacturers Association presents Foodservice Forecast and Outlook 2008. The first site of this three-venue seminar is the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, IL. The program repeats on 9/22 at the Westin San Francisco Airport in Millbrae, CA, and on 9/26 at the Renaissance Meadowlands Hotel in Rutherford, NJ.

☎ 312-540-4400
www.ifmaworld.com

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ON THE DOCKET

Check out legislative issues that could affect the restaurant industry by attending the National Restaurant Association's Public Affairs Conference in Washington, DC. Site is the Grand Hyatt.

☎ 800-424-5156
www.restaurant.org

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ASSEMBLE THE TROOPS

Learn how to make the numbers add up as SS&G Financial Services puts on the latest edition of its popular Restaurant CFO Bootcamp. Guest speakers include Dennis Lombardi and Capital Growth Advisers' Phil McDonough. The Four Seasons Las Vegas is the venue.

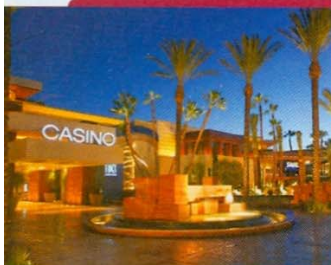
☎ 800-869-1835
www.ssandg.com

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INDUSTRY UPDATE

Milliken & Co. hosts a Food & Beverage seminar at its Spartanburg, SC, headquarters. Other than travel, everything else is free.

☎ 800-322-8326
www.millikentablelinen.com



FROND MEMORIES: The Red Rock again hosts COT.

Kiosk Extra

EXPANSION MODE: Ready to breathe new life into your existing concept or maybe open a new one?

Then start making your plans to attend RESTAURANT HOSPITALITY's Concepts of Tomorrow Conference, set for Oct. 26-28 at the Red Rock Casino, Resort, Spa in Las Vegas. The speaker lineup includes HOWARD GORDON, a driving force in the Cheesecake Factory's relentless expansion; CAMERON MITCHELL, who cashed in to the tune of \$92 million when he sold out to Ruth's Chris; PHIL FRIEDMAN, who took the franchising route to grow fast-casual standout McAlister's Deli from 30 stores to 260; and JEFFREY CHODOROW, whose China Grill is just one of many successful high-profile ventures. Roundtable breakout sessions provide direct access to industry experts such as beverage promotions guru

PATRICK HENRY, e-mail marketing whiz BORIS BUGARSKI, site selection expert TOM PRAKAS and a dozen others. Attendees also get to mingle with RH's latest class of Rising Star culinarians and network at the Richard Melman Concepts of Tomorrow Awards dinner. For more information, call 800-736-8660 or go to www.cotconference.com.