

NACE~Austin News

September, 2009



Summer Issue

A **tremendous** thank you for all who participated in this years
NACE Austin 9th Annual Eat the Heat...

We experienced fabulous dancing, drinks and dishes. A progressive cocktail party that took us from The Historic Driskill Hotel to Buffalo Billiards, Maggie Maes and landed us at the Grand Finale offering a Chef Showcase,

presented by

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AUSTIN CHAPTER
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
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50 YEARS | 1958 - 2008

EAT THE HEAT
DISCO INFERNO

benefiting

**BREAST CANCER
RESOURCE
CENTERS OF TEXAS**

A Progressive Cocktail Party Showcasing Austin's Finest Culinary Talent and Their Favorite Ways to Beat the Grueling Summer Heat!

5:30pm at The Driskill • Maggie Mae's • Buffalo Billiards • Courtyard Marriott

Mark Your Calendar...Upcoming Meetings:

- October 8th ... Central Market North Lamar Location
"Who will take the title of the Ultimate Foodie"
- November 3rd ...Crowne Plaza IH 35
Event Professionals Showcase
- December ...TBD

It Was A Disco Inferno!

What an Awesome Eat the Heat. This terrifically successful event could not have taken place without the hours of volunteer dedication from an AMAZING group of folks. Thanks to your generosity, NACE members and friends, we will be able to offer many scholarships to next year's NACE Experience conference and make a generous donation to The Breast Cancer Resource Centers of Central Texas.

We want to thank the Austin NACE board, the committee chairs and their teams, and a WONDERFUL charity partner BCRC, notably Barbara Formicelli.

A special thanks to the venues, the musicians and DJs, the Videographers Association of Austin, our silent auction, and chef showcase donors.

A big Thank You to the Chairs for this event were:

Chef Showcase: Rene Rice and Sonya Villarreal

Decor: Matthew Gonzales, Mandy Jones and Carrie Montoya

Silent Auction: Bri Edwards

Publicity: Elizabeth Rison and Jason Stewart

Corporate Sponsorship: Jill Skinner, Cory Wilson and Michele Edison

Marketing: Leanna Surina

Entertainment: Mary Frances Despres

Eat the Heat Website: Ann Nielson



Our Sincerest Thank You;

Delores Crum & Jyll Vertuno - Fundraising Co Chairs-2009 Eat the Heat

Thank you to those that made NACE 2009 Eat the Heat a SUCCESS!

Corporate Sponsors:

Austin Party Central & Austin's Wedding Guide

Chef Showcase:

Iron Cactus, Chefs' Catering, Dagger's Catering, Whole Foods Culinary Center, Maria Maria, Paula's Texas Orange, Moonshines Patio bar & Grill, Dry Soda, Rio Grande Mexican Restaurant, Ciao Chow Catering, Carmelo's Italian Restaurant, St Arnolds Brewery, Alfred's Catering, Ernest & Julio Gallo Winery, Royal Fig Catering, Southern's Fine Dining, Krush Lounge & Grill, 2 Dine 4, Piranha Killer Sushi!!!!

Get Involved!!

NACE Austin

Please join us as we begin the planning process for next summer's National NACE summer Conference here in Austin! There are so many great talents in our industry in Austin and I look forward to showcasing them in front of our peers from all over the country. Please forward this invitation to anyone you might think might be interested in participating in a committee. And this meeting is simply to get the blood work flowing. If you are not able to attend this meeting, reach out to me so that I can be sure to keep you included as we move forward. I look forward to this Experience! and the opportunity to work with you all.

Michelle Edison



NACE EXPERIENCE! 2010

JULY 25-28 AUSTIN

The Smile Never Fades

*The 'Supper Club' atmosphere of the 50's!
'Theater in the round' piano stage dinner concert, surrounded by VIP
Sponsor tables.*

*Please join us for this wonderful event
dedicated to helping women fight breast cancer.*

This follows two successful fund raisers and promises to be the best yet!
This year the event will be held at the **Long Center**,
one of Austin's most prestigious venues.

RSVP required.

*The Smile Never Fades is a 501c3 corporation
Tickets and tables are a donation to The Smile Never Fades, Inc.*

- Complimentary photos printed on site by "Get The Picture"
- Dancers from D'Ette's Dance Studio
- Magician and comedian Mr. JD Stewart
- Tremendous live auction items include original Fine Art, trips and even a cuddly 'Teacup Poodle' puppy.

A signed copy of the newly released, third edition, "*The Smile Never Fades-The Children*" will be available for your purchase, with the opportunity to meet the author, Mr. Bill Bastas.

Bill Bastas Photographer
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<http://www.bastas.com>

Facebook: <http://groups.to/billbastasphotographer/>

Life's mission as I see it...

"Learn everything you can, teach everything
you know."

"Help us fight back!" Plan to attend...

Buy Your Tickets TODAY!!!
For information and purchase visit:
<http://thesmileneverfades.eventbrite.com/>

Room To Read

What is Room to Read

Room to Read is an innovative nonprofit leader dedicated to promoting and enabling global education. We partner with local communities through the developing world to provide quality educational opportunities by establishing libraries, creating local language children's literature, constructing schools and providing education to girls. Through the opportunities that only education can provide, we strive to break the cycle of poverty, one child at a time.

Upcoming event

Room to Read - Austin has partnered with Clay Pit to host a fundraising event benefiting Room to Read's work in India. Please join us for contemporary Indian cuisine, drinks, music, dancing, and a silent auction! By the end of the night, we aim to reach our goal of providing 80 years of girls' scholarships, 20,000 books, or 5 libraries to children in India.

What: Indian Nights, Benefiting Room to Read - India and the Room to Dream campaign

When: Thursday, October 15, 2009 from 6 to 10 p.m.

Where: Clay Pit, 1601 Guadalupe St, Austin, TX

Cost: \$40 per person. Includes a donation, entertainment, and food.

Dress: Cocktail or traditional Indian attire encouraged

Highlights for the night:

Classical Indian music by renowned Austin-based musician Oliver Rajamani

Dance performance by Austin Dance India

Contemporary Indian appetizers and desserts by Clay Pit

Cash bar featuring event-themed cocktails (75% of proceeds benefit Room to Read)

Silent auction items

Contact RoomtoReadAustin@gmail.com for more details.

Evite: <http://www.evite.com/pages/invite/viewInvite.jsp?inviteId=NJFUNFRXINXIHAYTBHGS>

Facebook event: <http://www.facebook.com/editphoto.php?oid=142786531016&success=4&failure=0#/event.php?eid=142786531016>

How you can help

Attend the event

Send out the invite to your networks

Donate silent auction items

Thank you!

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Sherrie Nguyen

Room to Read Austin Chapter

<http://tinyurl.com/RtRAustin>



Congratulations to Mrs. Jyll Vertuno...Jyll recently passed the CPCE Exam and is now one of a few Certified Professional Catering Executive in Austin, Texas!!

Congratulations Jyll

The NACE 9th Annual Eat the Heat Gala was a night to remember...to check out the fabulous photography, provided by Mr. Bill Bastas of Bastas Photography, check out the NACE Austin website, photos will be uploaded very soon!

www.naceaustin.com

Thank you to the venues that allowed us to move in and take over, to whom without we would have been discoing *IN THE STREETS*...hey that might have been fun...hummm



The Historic Driskill Hotel
Buffalo Billards
Maggie Mae 's
Courtyard by Marriott Downtown

A huge thank you to all who donated time, imagination and materials that turned downtown Austin into a Disco Inferno!

Premier Party Central

BBJ Linen

Marquee Event Rentals



A NACE Austin Eat the Heat Re-Cap Meeting will take place September 29th at the Downtown Sheraton Hotel at high noon. Please attend to discuss this years events and how you may become involved in future Eat the Heats!!

Welcome New NACE-Austin Members
It is so nice to have you on the Team!!

Mr. Johnny Robinson.... Complete Music Inc.
Erica Bommarito..... Dollface Delights
Christina Landrum The Tasting Room~Max's
Wine Dive
Marion Jones..... Radisson Hotel Downtown

Welcome All!!!!

Team please take a moment at the next meeting to stop
by & introduce yourself to our newest members.

For additional membership information, please contact
Mary Frances Despres at mdespres@whitelodging.com

New member enrollment kickoff . NACE National is offering \$100 off
membership for all NEW Members

Renewing member? Well no worries, NACE National is also offering a
discount to our membership up for renewal. Any member that renews by
November 20, 2099 will receive \$50.00 of the renewal fee...you pay only
\$295.00