



TILE CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF HAWAII

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PACIFIC BUILDING TRADE EXPO

The 2011 Pacific Building Trade Expo by the AIA/CSI is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 4, 2011** at the Hawaii Convention Center Exhibition Hall. We will have an impressive showing with 16 booths this year consisting of Bella Pietra, Bonded Materials Company, Boomer & Associates, Ceramic Tile Institute of America, Daltile, Evergreen by Debra, LLC, Laticrete, Masonry Institute of Hawaii, Selective Stone, TCAH and Tile Warehouse. Our booths will be located in #425 to #439 and #426 to #440.

As an added feature, our very own member, Jeff Pompadur, CTC will be a featured speaker at one of the Exhibitor Track Seminars that are held throughout the day and very well attended. Mr. Pompadur, CTC is the Director and Field Inspector for the Hawaii Chapter of the Ceramic Tile Institute of America, Inc. and the Director of Sales and Marketing for Evergreen by Debra, LLC. His topic will be Recent Trends on Waterproofing Tile and Stone Installations and the contents of the seminar will be discussion of trends in Division 9300 waterproofing systems that are incorporated into tile and stone work by tile contractors. This seminar will also provide AIA CE credits to the architects in attendance. We are pleased to have our industry represented by Mr. Pompadur at this prestigious event.



NATIONAL TILE CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION PRESENTS NTCA TILE AND STONE SYMPOSIUM

The National Tile Contractors Association will be presenting the NTCA Tile and Stone Symposium. The program will be technical in nature, providing information on procedures and products for the professional installation of tile, stone and allied products. Uniquely knowledgeable and qualified industry people will provide live hands-on demonstrations when possible. Occasionally, to conserve time, they will use DVD Productions; slide presentations or other audiovisual effects. Often, there will be audience participation. The program lasts approximately three hours and covers a wide range of topics from substrates to grouting. The following is a typical program and topics:

Daltile Corporation, Wednesday, October 26, 2011, 1200 N. Nimitz Hwy

4:30 PM – 5:30 PM – Food and Beverages

5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Program

Carefully selected topics will be chosen by NTCA and Host contact. Some of the subjects covered will include:

Large Format Tile

Shower and Moisture

Backerboards

Membranes

Porcelain, Glass, & Mosaic Tile Installation

2011 TCA Handbook Changes

There is NO registration fee to attend the NTCA Symposium Program. All TCAH and NTCA members and non-members are invited. We welcome ALL Architects, Designers, Builders, Distributors, Manufacturers and their personnel. PLEASE VISIT WWW.TILE-ASSN.COM for further details.

GE TAX DUE DATE STILL AT THE 20TH OF THE MONTH

HB 1300 did not pass in this year's legislature that would have returned the due date for the state GE tax to the 30th of each month. This is in spite of aggressive lobbying from organizations such as the Hawaii Chamber of Commerce and the Subcontractors Association of Hawaii. There was no disagreement amongst the lawmakers but there was no final agreement on the bill when the deadline to move bills came and went. It was left on the table along with six to seven other bills others. Apparently, it did not pass unless it was inserted into another bill. The due date on the 20th causes hardship, especially for the smaller businesses who must wait for payments from their customers and do not have a fluid cash flow and large reserve.

RESIDENTIAL MARKET IN HAWAII OUTLOOK

The article below was written in June of this year addressing the Hawaii residential market and how industry experts were feeling optimistic. Since then, we have seen much instability in the global economies and a loss of nearly 2,000 points in the Dow Jones. How will this affect our market? We must all stay tuned. Fortunately, Hawaii will not witness a drastic decrease in home and land value as many are experiencing in the mainland U.S.

Real estate experts interviewed that Hawaii has seen the worst of the 'Great Recession' and that the housing market is improving. We are experiencing increase median prices, less inventory, higher list sold rates and shorter days on the market. However, there are increases in construction costs and fuel prices, stricter lending guidelines, higher insurance premiums and a possible increase in the GE tax.

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Please join us at our next membership meeting. Your participation is valuable and we welcome your ideas and suggestions.

Tuesday, September 13, 2011 at 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 4:00 p.m.

Side Street Inn

1225 Hoapaka Street

Hosted Heavy Pupus and Beverages

RSVP to Pacific Administrators at 808-441-8600

KAM DRIVE-IN

We have seen Kam Drive-In vacant for many years and most of us have memories watching movies there. The developer recently announced their plans for the former drive-in to include 220,000 commercial retail and office space, 1,500 residential units and a 150 room hotel.

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