



TILE CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF HAWAII

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PACIFIC BUILDING TRADE EXPO



The Tile Contractors Association had sixteen member booths displaying their products and providing knowledge to the attendees at the show. The *2010 Pacific Building Trade Expo* by the AIA/CSI at the Hawaii Convention Center Exhibition Hall was held on November 9, 2010 and there were several thousand attendees from engineers, architects, government, university system, general contractors, property managers, hotel industry and more! We feel it provided valuable exposure for our industry and stimulated interest to grow our membership. Next year's trade expo is scheduled for early October 2011 and we will keep you informed on booth reservation dates.



Top Row, left to right: Evergreen by Debra, Selective Stone, Bella Pietra

Bottom Row, left to right: Tile Contractors Association of Hawaii, Selective Stone, Tile Warehouse

UNION CONCESSION GIVEN

The trustees of the Tile Contractors Association of Hawaii wrote a letter to the Masons Union Local 1/Local 630 in July 2009 asking for some type of concession for our signatory members during these difficult economic times. We received a rejection from the union. In May 2010, the Tile Contractors Association of Hawaii initiated a meeting with the trustees from the Mason Contractors Association of Hawaii and the Hawaii Wall and Ceiling Industry Association. We sent a letter to the union in early June 2010 as a unified team and received a rejection letter again on June 22nd.

Rather than do nothing, we sent another letter on July 1st asking for an informal meeting because we received no explanation as to why they were not willing to meet with us or provide any type of concession.

On July 29, 2010, representatives from the above mentioned associations met with the union representatives. On August 12, 2010, we received a response letter whereby the union will be suspending the Research and Development Fund contribution by twenty five (.25) cents for two years. The membership of Local #1 did take a vote and it was approved.

We were hoping for a more substantial concession. You may view the correspondence with the union on our website under the **Updates Page** and **Union Concession Sub-Page** on the left hand column.

CONGRATULATIONS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

The TCAH Scholarship Fund awarded \$1,200.00 to Mitchell Chun, son of Pamela Chun from BF Tile. Since 2008, a scholarship is awarded to an immediate relative of an employee whose employer is a signatory member of the association. Please visit our website at tilehawaii.com or call 808-545-4195 to inquiry about the 2011 scholarship.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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

Tuesday, December 14, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

Side Street Inn, 1225 Hoapaka Street

Hosted Heavy Pupus and Beverages

RSVP to Pacific Administrators at 808-441-8600

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE TCAH

As 2010 is drawing to a close, we would like to thank you once again for your continued support of our industry and association. We have all weathered difficult economic times together and we are optimistic that 2011 will see higher economic growth. The trustees continue efforts to promote and perpetuate our industry while taking our fiduciary responsibilities very seriously. We wish you and your family health and prosperity in 2011.

~Board of Trustees for the TCAH

SEND US YOUR NEWS!

Please remember to send your company and industry information, including updates, upcoming seminars, product demonstrations, presentations, personnel changes, etc. to be included in our newsletter. Please send it in a WORD format to lisaakim@hawaii.rr.com

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