



# Building Blocks

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## President's Message

It was great seeing all our members and guests that attended the Annual Installation Banquet at Oahu Country Club. Congratulations and thank you to all of our Board Members for volunteering to serve on the CFMA Honolulu Chapter Board. The 2010-11 Board Members are:

Neill Char	First Hawaiian Bank
Thalia Choy	Thurston Pacific, Inc
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Also, a big Mahalo to our exiting board members Sandra Brewer and Aileen Utterdyke for their past service.

Lastly, congratulations to the Grand Prize Winners, Audrey Hidano and Don Taylor. Both received a \$500 award for the CFMA Annual Conference to be held in Waikoloa.

Glenn Yee



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# My Space: Wesley S. Mikuni

Howzit gang, a little about me:

In addition to being the newly installed Vice President of CFMA Honolulu Chapter, I'm also the Vice President – Finance of Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd, where I have been working for the past 9 years. Prior to that I lived in Tokyo & was the controller for German software giant, SAP. Golfers may recognize SAP as the company that sponsors Ernie Els.

Like most about my job: Finding new ways to improve process efficiencies & enhance the level of service to our internal / external customers....that, and leaving the office at 4pm.

Like least about my job: Having to ask my dear subcontractors to wait a little bit longer for change order & retention payments.

Current Faves: Cereal for dessert, planted aquariums, Korean dramas.

Longtime Faves: Pasta dishes, modern-classic design & furniture, nylon.

Short-term challenge: CCIFP exam

Some things to brag about:

1. Recently married my beautiful wife, Keiko, on March 28, 2010 (photo attached).
2. Low overhead – just one staff & I do all the accounting, payroll, & HR work for the company.
3. After graduating from UH-Manoa in accounting, I knew I'd be moving to Japan for 15 months to do volunteer work with my church, so took the CPA exam (passed!) & secured a job with Price Waterhouse a year-and-a-half in advance.
4. In middle school, completed the Rubik's cube in 1 min 5 sec. Average time was 1 min 30 sec.
5. Mic-hogger at karaoke w/ a wide range of genres from 80s alternative to hard rock, top 40 to Hawaiian, & even Japanese pops.
6. I still get carded despite being twice the legal drinking age. =P

Some things to not to brag about:

1. Have been playing golf for over 10 years but still cannot break 100.
2. I turn the reddest you've ever seen a person, after a single drink.
3. Friends called me "metro", but for the longest time did not know what that meant. (Which shows I'm not)
4. Dislike my middle name which is pronounced Shin-Itchy.
5. Sometimes catch myself using the phrase "One time at band camp..." Played trumpet for 7 years, though mostly for social reasons (i.e., get to meet girls).
6. People ask where I went to high school & I tell them "Kam", which is short for Kai-muki. Shhhh.







## Installation Banquet photos







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