



HONOLULU CHAPTER



SITE VISIT:
VELOCITY HONOLULU

ECONOMIC UPDATE LUNCHEON:
PAUL BREWBAKER



Aloha Everyone!

As my two year term as president of our chapter comes to an end, I reflect back on what an honor and privilege it has been to serve you and how grateful I am to be a member of the Honolulu Chapter and of CFMA National. My journey as a member of CFMA started when I was encouraged to join this national organization in March of 2007. I found that the educational offerings from the national organization (webinars, Building Profits magazine, Annual Conference, etc.) and the interaction with our industry partners at the national level to be well worth the cost of membership. However, I still feel that the enhanced value of membership came one faithful afternoon in 2010 when soon to be president of our chapter, Glenn Yee, asked me if I would be willing to serve as a member of the Board of Directors for our chapter. The opportunity to serve and network with such a dedicated group of Directors and Officers throughout the years has been priceless.

During the past two years, I tried to establish and maintain strong working relationships between our chapter and the people in the national organization from attending "Spring Creek" while I was still Vice President, helping transition our chapter's website to the national-

sponsored platform, participating in chapter scorecards to track how the chapter is doing comparatively to other chapters nationally, and holding a Strategic Planning Meeting with CFMA President and CEO Stuart Binstock as our facilitator. With that said however, the main focus of our Board has always been to provide our chapter members with opportunities for education, networking, and fun. We did try our best to make the educational sessions timely and relevant (yearly economic update luncheons; Cyber Risk, Affordable Care Act, Textura, Verizon, Managing Millennials Brown Bags; as well as an Active Shooter presentation) during the past two years. We also tried to make sure our members had opportunities to network, unwind, and just hang out and have fun (annual golf outing, New Year Social Pau Hana, jobsite tour and after tour briefs, etc.). I do want to give a special thank you to Stephie, Neill, and Scott who helped plan our chapter's 30th Anniversary Celebration at '53 by the Sea' last April – it was a venue worthy of the occasion.

Thank you for the opportunity and the experience!

Raymond



Site visit

Velocity Honolulu

On January 26th 2017 CFMA members toured Velocity Honolulu.

Inspired by the exotic vehicles in the state-of-the-art showrooms, Velocity is a new concept for vibrant city living and shopping. Situated on Kapiolani Blvd. less than a mile from downtown Honolulu, Velocity combines retail and service with upscale apparel boutiques and eclectic salons.

The centerpiece of Velocity is a unique collection of exclusive dealerships from JN Group. Part of Hawaii's automotive history since 1961, JN Group's auto brands include Audi, Lotus, Ferrari, Lamborghini, Maserati, Bentley, Alfa Romeo, Jaguar and Land Rover. CFMA members were impressed with the innovation of the dealership and enjoyed seeing and sitting in some of the most beautiful cars in the world.





The staff at Velocity Honolulu were welcoming and hospitable. A big thank you goes out to Paul Clayton, JN Group's Facilities General Manager for letting the board have their monthly meeting in one of the conference rooms prior to the visit as well as conducting the tour.

After the tour, the group enjoyed good company and food at Chef Chai's.

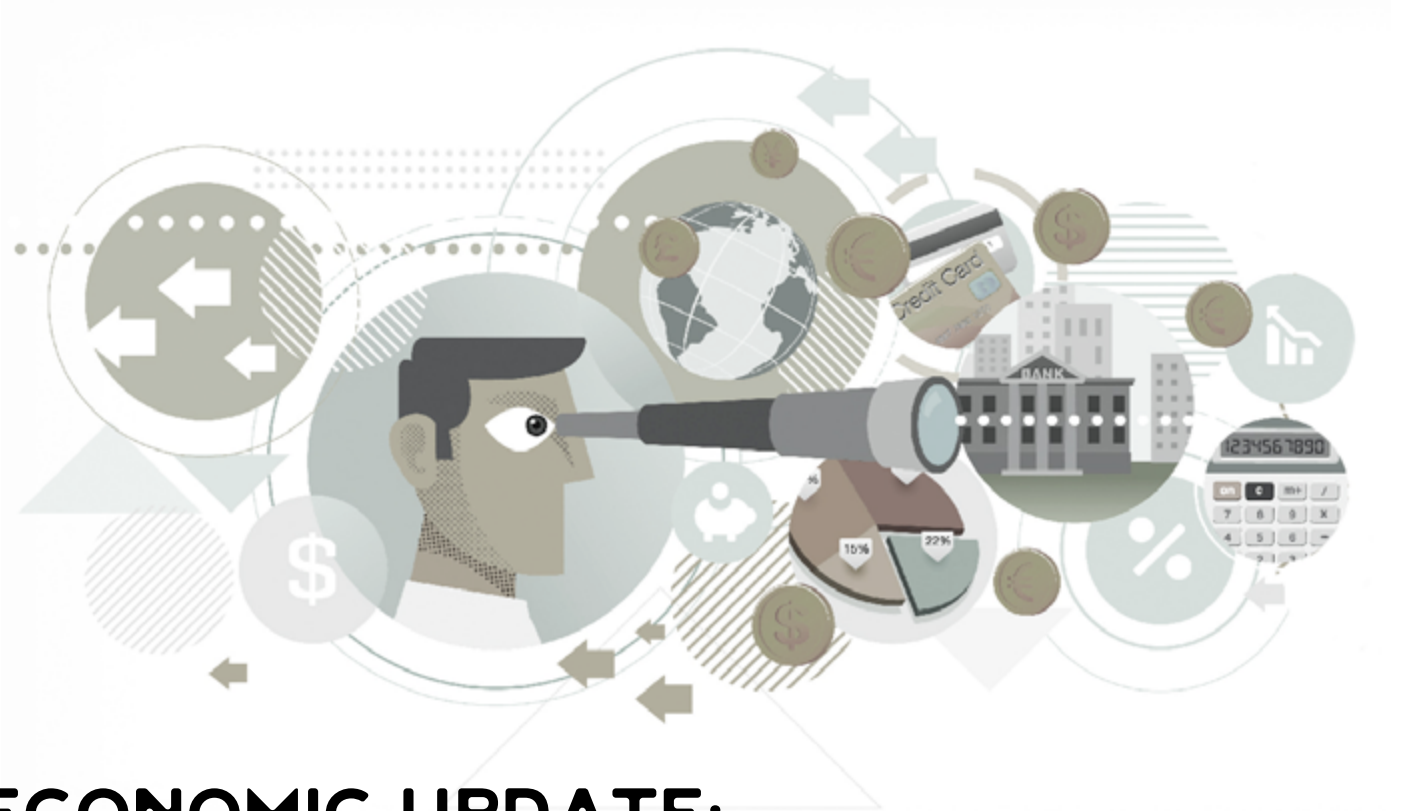




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ECONOMIC UPDATE:

Paul Brewbaker

Paul Brewbaker, of TZ Economics, was our guest speaker at our CFMA Luncheon that was held at the Honolulu Country Club on March 1st. Paul was informative, engaging, and entertaining in his delivery of his presentation, “A Hawaii construction and economic overview”. While finishing up the prime

rib buffet lunch and dessert, we learned from Paul that we need to be cautious when looking at the Hawaii construction economy and its various segments. Paul graciously agreed to provide his PowerPoint presentation to us and it has been distributed to our members.



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