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Not A Hospital

Bryce E. Uyehara, Architect, was tasked with designing an animal hospital at 485 Koaki Street, Waipahu. The hospital is located at a prominent location at the entrance to the Milltown Center Development. The \$4.3 million building consisted of a 11,335 square feet upper level and a 9,617 square feet lower level parking garage. His vision was to create an image which would be perceived as welcoming and residential in nature while incorporating a contemporary design vocabulary to complement the cutting edge operation within. Bryce's use of multi-colored banded CMU provided relief in the 20 foot high concrete masonry walls. Quality General, the masonry subcontractor, constructed the building's core and shell in 14 months. In order to accommodate off-street parking, the building's subterranean parking garage was constructed using prestressed concrete double tees that provided a clear span of 62 feet. Tileco Inc. played an instrumental role by manufacturing concrete blocks that were uniform in color throughout the hospital. According to Bryce, the decision to utilize integrally colored and textured concrete masonry on the perimeter walls was to take advantage of the inherent durability and termite resistant qualities of the material.

The *Waipahu-Waipio Veterinarian Hospital* was dedicated on Sunday, June 24, 2012 and is owned by Dr. Darren Hisunaga.



NOT A RAINY DAY

The Masonry Contractors Association of Hawaii and the Masonry Institute of Hawaii hosted the 35th Annual Golf Tournament held at Pearl County Club. The darkening skies threatened to disrupt this annual event.

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Maria Sarmiento, Nichelle Wada, Kristi Chang, and Nicole Kobayashi were recipients of \$1,500 scholarship funds.



Next year's 2013 tournament will be held on Tuesday, June 18, 2013 at the Pearl County Club. **Save the date!!**

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Golf Tournament Buddies!

NOT FORGOTTEN

We bid fondest Aloha and Mahalo to Brian Awakuni for serving as the Masonry Institute of Hawaii's director for over 12 years. We wish him a great and long journey in his retirement years. Thank you, Brian.



Ron Awa, AIA is very happy with his team prize.

NOT TRANSPORTATION

Rod Haraga is the incoming Director for MIH. Rod has worked as the Director for the Hawaii State Department of Transportation for 4 years. He spent more than 33 years with the City of Los Angeles as its Deputy City Engineer and was the director for the rebuilding effort after the 1994 Northridge Earthquake.

During his career as a registered Structural and Civil Engineer in California and Hawaii, he has designed numerous CMU building structures in Southern California, Johnston Island and in Honolulu. He is not a transportation expert but enjoys dabbling in traffic mitigation.