

# Masonry in Hawaii

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## LEED™ – MASONRY

**Ms. Christine A. Subasic, P. E., LEED™ AP, Editor** for The Masonry Society, Sustainability E-News, presented a two part session for LEED™ Masonry to local contractors, suppliers, manufacturers and architects at Pearl Country Club. The one-day two part seminar provided information for architects in the morning and for manufacturers in the afternoon. Christine's presentation titled "The Role of Masonry in Sustainable Design and LEED™ v4" was intended for architects, design engineers and masonry materials sales staff who are interested in sustainable design. The afternoon session titled "LEED v4 and Product Transparency for Product Manufacturers" highlighted the new LEED v4 requirements to the LEED 2009. This session provided manufacturers with an understanding of new credits for masonry structures and provided general information on Environmental Products Declarations, Life Cycle Assessments and Product Category Rules as they relate to the new LEED v4.



**Karl Kamada, MIH Trustee, with Christine Subasic and Rod Haraga at Pearl Country Club**



## CCPI AND MIH PARTNERSHIP

Leaders of the concrete and masonry industries have partnered to provide information to owners, contractors, architects, engineers and developers to help with selecting concrete/masonry as a product of choice. Among the concerns of local residents is the susceptibility of their homes to termite damage.

With concrete/masonry building structures, this becomes a non-issue. Concrete/masonry structures are resistant to fire damage and can resist the forces of nature such as hurricanes, tsunamis and floods.

Flexibility in colors, shapes, and density are among the benefits of concrete/masonry products. We have had heavy rains due to the changing of the weather pattern known as El Nino. Water damage due to flooding can be minimized using concrete/masonry building structures. Mold caused by the effects of flooding can be easily eliminated by using a bleaching agent applied to the masonry walls.



**Ms. Christine Subasic, The Masonry Society, presents LEED™ – Masonry**

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Masonry buildings subjected to high winds from hurricanes have survived the recent cyclones as seen in recent disasters to South Pacific islands.

The promotion for concrete/masonry products will be unveiled at the 2015 AIA/CSI Pacific Building Trade Expo on November 17, 2015 to be held at the Hawaii Convention Center.

## CHRYLSE TO SPEAK AT CONVENTION

**Mr. John Chrysler**, Executive Director of the Masonry Institute of America will be presenting “WHY MASONRY?” at the 2015 AIA/CSI Pacific Building Trade Expo on November 17, 2015. The trade expo will be held at the Hawaii Convention Center in Waikiki. John’s presentation will show why masonry should be the product of choice for owners, architects, contractors and developers in Hawaii. Masonry’s durability, resistance to termite damage and its fire resistance are some of the reasons for selecting this locally produced product. The course is approved by the AIA/CES program for continuing education credits for architects.



## AIA/CONTINUING EDUCATION SYSTEM

On Wednesday, September 2, 2015 the Masonry Institute of Hawaii was approved as a provider for the AIA Continuing Education System. The MIH has been providing educational seminars to local AIA members under a self-reporting system. As an approved AIA/CES provider, all future MIH sponsored seminars will be offering CES credits. MIH will register the attendee’s names and offer certificates of completion, if requested. AIA members seeking credits should sign-in on the attendance template and note their AIA membership number.



Rod Haraga and John Chrysler at the new location of the Masonry Institute of America in Torrance, California.