

CONSTRUCTION QUALITY MANAGEMENT (CQM) FOR CONTRACTORS

By Roger Urbi and Jun Suela

The one-day seminar held on Saturday, January 17, 2004 at the Filipino Community Center on Effective Quality Control started with a lecture by **Mr. Roger Urbi**, Facilitator from the Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Pacific Division. Twenty-seven participants from different construction, engineering and architectural firms attended the seminar.

After welcoming the participants, Mr. Urbi delineated the objectives, policies, requirements and procedures of construction quality management, contractor quality control and the government quality assurance as a successful partnering effort between the contractor and the government. He further clarified that the seminar is a certification course required by the tri-services of the Department of Defense and recently by the State DAGS and DLNR prior to becoming a Contractor Quality Control (CQC) Manager and the participants need to pass a post-test to be issued a certificate which is valid for five (5) years from issue date and is good for all federal government projects worldwide and State of Hawaii DAGS and DLNR projects.

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Greg Garcia (center) with EIT review attendees.

EIT/FE Review Course On Track

By Manuel Lanuevo, P.E.

The Engineer-In-Training (EIT) also known as the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) review course is FALEA's program geared on helping Hawaii's engineering community in general and FALEA members in particular, obtain their Professional Engineer license in Hawaii. This program was initiated by **Greg Garcia** and **Emil Barroga, Jr.** in 1995 and has produced tremendous results. The review course is usually held every Saturday from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., starting the early part of January and ends the later part of March, in time for the EIT or FE exam which is on the 3rd week of April. (Continued on Page 5)

Our FALEA WEBSITE is up and running, thanks to the efforts of Board member Joey Resurreccion. Be sure to check it out at : www.falea.org.

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President's Mabuhay Message:

Aloha and Mabuhay FALEA Members:

I hope 2003 was a year to remember for all of us. It is hard to believe that March is upon us. FALEA has been busy and will continue to be in the next few months. Let us re-cap what we have done and what we have planned.

FALEA issued its first newsletter for 2003-2004. Congratulations to **Greg Garcia, Joel Francisco** and **Lyna Burian** for a job well done! Members had only positive things to say about the issue. You make FALEA very proud. Our Mahalos go out to all of the contributing writers.

Our Christmas Party held on December 13, 2003 at the St. Philomena Church was enjoyed by many. **Roy & Grace Bravo** once again showered us with their tremendous support. They donated the lechon, Christmas tree and play-dough for fun. We are very grateful for all the things they have done for FALEA.

Special thanks to **Andea Benitez** and **Group Builders** for the food, **Norman S. Wright** for the beverages and great prizes, and for everyone who helped in making the event successful.

January was an eventful month for FALEA. We had our first golf tournament on January 10th at the Mililani Golf Course. Congratulations to all of the winners and to Segundo for a doing a great job! **Segundo Velasco**, a FALEA director is highly instrumental in organizing the tournaments and getting sponsors. Other tournaments are scheduled in March, May, July and September. Come out and join us!

Our first technical seminar was held on January 17th on Construction Quality Management. My sincerest thanks to **Roger Urbi**, our past president for instructing this popular seminar and to FILCOM Center for allowing us to use their facility. It was great to see FALEA members participating in this seminar.

Our annual Fundamentals of Engineering-FE (formerly known as EIT) Exam Review began on January 24th with Mathematics instructed by **Greg Garcia**, our Vice-President/President-Elect. The review sessions will run thru March 27, held on Saturdays from 1:30 p.m. at the Group Builders Warehouse in Sand Island. The review sessions would not be possible if it weren't for our dedicated instructors: **Greg Garcia, Emil Barroga, Christopher Cachero, Nap Agraan, Manny Lanuevo, Joey Resurreccion, Frank Sapigao** and **Jess Sybico**. Thank you to Group Builders for letting us use their conference room every year! We are still looking for someone to teach Chemistry. If you know of anyone who might be able to take on this subject, please call one of the FALEA officers and directors. Good luck to our eight (8) students.

February was a quiet month, reserved for our loved ones. I hope everyone had a lovely Valentine's Day. My fellow officers and directors were busy promoting the upcoming picnic to be held on March 20, 2004 at the Neal S. Blaisdell Park in Pearl City and selling chicken tickets for our first fund-raising for the year. All proceeds will go to our scholarship fund.

March is another busy month. We will be wrapping up our FE review session, holding our second (2nd) golf tournament and enjoying our first picnic! All members are welcome to these events. Bring your family and friends. Hope to see you soon!

Aloha,
Marites Shoji
President

Mar 2004

Editorial

The FE (Fundamentals of Engineering) exams, also known as the EIT (Engineer-in-Training) exams, are coming up on the third week of April. Once again, FALEA is offering a Review Course for those who are preparing to take these exams. And once again, some of our FALEA members are sharing a lot of their time and expertise to help and support their fellow members in the process of obtaining the professional engineer's license in Hawaii. We have to take our hats off to these very generous individuals for their valuable service, giving up their Saturdays to help out the others. Their names are mentioned in the article on page 1. Please extend your heartfelt thanks to them the next time you see them.

This is what the association is all about. It is the support that we give to one another, be it professional or moral support. It may be in the form of assistance in our professional and personal development. Besides the FE Review Course, FALEA has conducted many educational seminars and workshops on such topics as CQM (Construction Quality Management), Building Codes, and Computer Aided Design and Drafting. To improve our communication skills, FALEA has offered Speechcraft sessions in collaboration with the Toastmasters Club. All this will hopefully help to create more opportunities for better jobs and a better life.

Support may also come in the form of friendships and camaraderie, which we all need to see us through the daily challenges of life. Our sports and social activities have promoted lasting friendships and strong ties among our members. The second Golf Tournament for this year will be held on March 13, and our Spring Picnic, in conjunction with our Huli-huli chicken fundraiser, is on March 20. Look for more information on these two events in the announcements elsewhere in this newsletter. Please come and join us for some good fun and good food.

By the way, March 20 is also the start of Spring. On the Mainland where they have the four seasons, Spring is a time for new life, new beginnings. Plants and trees come alive again with new leaves, new buds and blossoms. In Hawaii, where we have only two seasons (the wet and the dry), we focus on the season of Lent. For us Christians, it is a time of reflection and soul-searching, contemplating on the life and death of Christ. It leads up to Easter Sunday, which celebrates Christ's resurrection. For us, this is the time of new life, new hope, a time to renew our resolutions, a time to plan for a better tomorrow. I hope you all have a good Lenten season and a very Happy Easter!!

More power to FALEA!!

Lyna Burian

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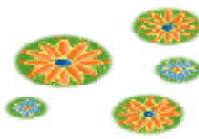
Christmas Party 2003



Mom & Angels by the tree



FALEA's Handsome Guys at the Christmas Party!



Lets eat guys while the girls are singing for us!



Christmas Carolers in action!



Francisco Family at the Party!



The 3 Sopranos: Debbie, Elvie, & Siony.



Thats my number! Where's my door prize!!



Seminars

(CQM) FOR CONTRACTORS (continued from 1st page)

After the initial lecture, the participants were given pre-test to determine everyone's familiarity with quality control management.

The main seminar was structured in interactive and participatory process, which was conducted with a video lecture divided into modules. After each video lecture, the participants were asked to respond to questions regarding common problems various contractors encountered, which led to spirited discourse as part of the seminar.

The seminar concluded with the participants taking and passing the post-test in order to be certified.

On another note, it is but also fitting to acknowledge the help and assistance of **Marites Shoji** and husband, and **Elvi Pineda** for bringing in the video and audio equipment, and some refreshments to make the seminar a big success. A nod of appreciation goes to FilCom Center for letting FALEA use their facilities and equipment.

EIT/FE (continued from 1st page)

The subjects covered by the EIT or FE review course are Mathematics, Hydraulics, Strength of Materials, Engineering Economics, Dynamics, Static, Thermodynamics, Chemistry and Electricity. FALEA members **Greg Garcia, Emil Barroga, Frank Sapigao, Edgar Salire Tom & Nora See, Marites Calad, Nap Agraan and Manny Lanuevo** continue to volunteer their time in teaching the various subjects. Currently, the review course is being held at **Lito Alcantra's Group Builder Office** at 308 Kilua Place, Sand Island.

This program is part of FALEA's Personal Development Committee whose goal is to plan and coordinate continuing education programs, technical seminars and field trips. This committee is currently chaired by **Jun Suela Jr.**

Below is a tentative schedule:

- Mar. 6 - Strength of Materials
- Mar. 13 - Dynamics
- Mar. 27 - Mock Exam

Activities Atbp.

SPRING PICNIC &

Huli-Huli Chicken Fundraising

DATE: Saturday, March 20, 2004
10:00 am

PLACE: Neal S. Blaisdell Park
Pearl City

CONTACT: Marites Shoji (294-4202)
Greg Garcia (383-7177)

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Position: Project Manager/Estimator (w/ experience preferred)

Company: Allied Pacific Builders

Point of Contact: William Alicar

Tel #: 216-5906

Mar 2004

Welcome to our new members for 2004.

We hope you will have both fun and educational experiences with FALEA. We hope to see you in our upcoming events.

1. **Albert B. Alvarez**, Environmental Specialist with Tesoro Hawaii Corp. is a graduate of Adamson University, Phil.
2. **Ramon Bonoan, Jr.**, Sales Application Engineer with Norman S. Wright Mechanical Equipt. Corp., graduated from Saint Louis University, Phil.
3. **Joseph J. Cachola**, Project Engineer with Group Builders Inc., graduated from the Univ. of Northern Phil.
4. **Jeffrey S. Cudiamat**, Civil/Structural Engineer with Structural Hawaii, is a graduate of University of Hawaii.
5. **Arturo B. Ovalles**, Senior Electrician with Tesoro Hawaii Corp., graduated from Lusat, La Union, Phil.
6. **Charlie Ramos**, Heavy Equip. Operator with Hawaiian Dredging Corp.
7. **Judy Tabios**, Fire Protection Engineer with S.S. Dannaway Assoc. Inc., graduated from Saint Louis University, Phil.
8. **Adam W. Tolentino**, Electrical Engineer with MOSS Engineering, Inc. graduated from the University of Hawaii.
9. **Alex Viray**, AT&T Personnel.

Golf Tournament

The first of five Golf Tournaments for 2004 was held on Jan 10th at Mililani Golf Course. The winners were 1st place - Taz Galang; 2nd place - Dodi Velasco; 3rd place - Greg Garcia; 4th place - Manny Lanuevo. Special MAHALO's to the sponsors: S&S Taylan, Nestor Agliam, Road Builders (Steve Agbayani) and Norman Wright (Marites Shoji).



"TRES AMIGOS" FALEA'S ROCK & ROLL GOLFERS! from left Taz Galang, Rene Maniulit and Dodi Velasco.



Fred Pajimula (left) and friends having a Budweiser moment.



The winners group from left, Greg Garcia (3rd), Dodi Velasco (2nd), Taz Galang (1st), and Manny Lanuevo (4th).



From left Mark Dahilig, Richard Dahilig, Oscar Paez, & Joel Francisco discussing strategies for the next tournament.



From left, Alex Viray, Charlie Ramos, their waitress, and Amante Domingo at the clubhouse.

Calendar of Events

MARCH 2004

5 Board of Directors Meeting
 3, 10, 17, 24 Bowling tournament
 6, 13, 27 EIT Review
 13 Golf Tournament
 20 Picnic/ Huli Huli Chicken Fundraiser

APRIL 2004

2 Board of Directors Meeting
 7, 14, 21, 28 Bowling Tournament
 17 Zippy's Chili Fundraiser
 TBA Speechcraft

MAY 2004

4, 11, 18, 25 Bowling Tournament
 7 Board of Directors Meeting
 TBA FilCom Fiesta Parade
 TBA Basketball Tournament

JUNE 2004

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Bowling Tournament
 4 Board of Directors Meeting
 12 Professional Development Sem.
 19, 26 Career Shadowing

JULY 2004

2 Board of Directors Meeting
 7, 14, 21, 28 Bowling Tournament
 17 Huli-Huli Chicken Fundraiser
 24 Career Shadowing

AUGUST 2004

4, 11, 18, 25 Bowling Tournament
 6 Board of Directors Meeting
 14 General Assembly and Elections
 TBA Banquet Planning Meeting

SEPTEMBER 2004

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Bowling Tournament
 3 Board of Directors Meeting
 11 Outer Island Tour
 TBA Banquet Planning Meetings

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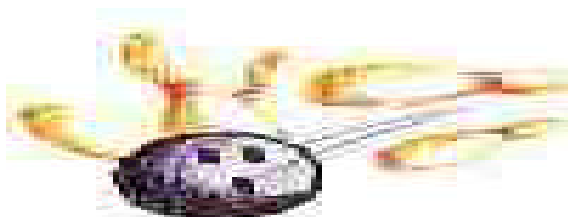
1 Board of Directors Meeting
 6, 13, 20, 27 Bowling Tournament
 TBA Banquet Planning Meetings
 23 Installation and Awards Banquet

Sports

Bowling Tournament

By Vergel del Rosario

The FALEA bowling team continue to bowl with the "Wednesday Night Mixed Bowling Tournament" every Wednesday at the Barbers Point Bowling Center from 6:30 to 10:00 pm. This is a 36-day tournament (36 Wednesdays) ending on July 7, 2004. At the last day of the tournament, monetary awards will be distributed to each team prorated based on the team performance. Individual monetary award will also be distributed to the best players for men and women in various categories. Food is also available during that day, provided by the Bowling Association. Some players bring their special recipes and share it with the group, it's really fun!!! This is the time for FALEAN's who have interest in bowling to submit their names for the next league. Come... enjoy with us, you can contact **Vergel at 348-3944**.




GOLF TOURNAMENT

DATE: Saturday, March 13, 2004
 CHECK-IN: 6:30 am
 TEE OFF: 7:15 am
 PLACE: Hawaii Prince Golf Course
 91-1200 Fort Weaver Road
 Ewa Beach 96706
 CONTACT: Segundo Velasco (256-6053 cell.)
 Greg Garcia (383-7177 cell.)

Entries are now being accepted. Only 28 spaces are available And will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. All entry forms and checks payable to Segundo Velasco, 1159 Manuwa Drive, Honolulu, Hawaii 96816.

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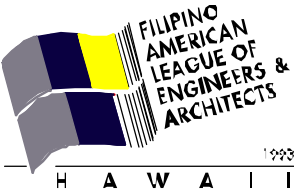
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Get around people who have something of value to share with you. Their impact will continue to have a significant effect on your life long after they have departed.

—Jim Rohn



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