



CFALA Names Mike Aussieker October Volunteer of the Month



Mike Aussieker, CFA, Co-Chair of the Social Committee, collaborated with last month's honoree, Eric Souders, CFA to put together CFALA's first-ever golf tournament. He also is a mentor for Level One candidates in the review program, tutors members in the CFALA Lab who are studying quantitative methods, equity investments, and portfolio management; additionally he helped out with the Career Expo. In other words, he's exactly the type of volunteer CFALA needs!

"Volunteering in the review program provides me with the gratification of knowing that I'm helping candidates acquire the information they need to obtain their charters," said Aussieker, who became a charterholder in 2010. "It's also a great way to network and establish long-term relationships with professionals in this industry."

About 100 members played in this year's event, with another 20 people joining them for dinner at the Friendly Hills Country Club in Whittier. "The tournament's first year was already a profitable one and has the potential to become an annual event," Aussieker said. "Plus, since I'm an avid golfer, establishing the golf tournament was exciting and fun."

Aussieker, who grew up in San Diego, majored in finance and economics at St. Ambrose University in Davenport, Iowa and then worked as a trader for hedge funds in Irvine and Beverly Hills; most recently with ING Advisors Network. Aussieker is actively seeking opportunities in portfolio management or as a research associate.