

# Career Decision Fair: Week one ends, week two set to begin

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Hawaii's career decision fair is in full swing. During the first week, counselors briefed an array of individuals ranging from senior enlisted spouses to junior enlisted submariners.

Rear Adm. Robert T. Conway, Jr., Commander, Navy Region Hawaii / Commander, Naval Surface Group, Middle Pacific, opened the junior officer's spouse brief Tuesday with some remarks.

"These fairs can be a big factor in making a choice about whether to stay in or leave the Navy," said Conway. "The worst thing that we can do is put out information on the ships, but never make any attempt to get it into the home."

The fair is hosted by the Bureau

of Naval Personnel's Center for Career Development (CCD).

"Good retention is good business. One of the most pressing concerns for the continued success of any organization - public or private - is retaining high-quality people," said Capt. Jake Ross, the center's director. "But good retention is about far more than just a healthy bottom line. It's about treating our people like the precious resource that they are. High retention is a desirable by-product of a professional culture in which leaders invest in their subordinates and create an environment to ensure their success."

This past week, detailers visited Pearl Harbor submarines to discuss career options. PERS-41 detailers were also on hand to go ship to ship and speak with surface warfare officers about their futures in

the Navy. Monday afternoon, enlisted surface and aviation detailers will visit Pearl Harbor ships on Tuesday morning. They will then be available to talk with Sailors at the career information office Tuesday afternoon.

Sailors and their spouses are invited and encouraged to attend career information briefs to obtain information to assist them in making informed career choices. Evening events will offer babysitting, refreshments and door prizes. Also, everyone who attended the evening spouse event will be entered into a drawing to win a new Jeep Liberty at the end of the year.

For more information on all events, contact Navy Career Counselor Chief (SW) Chris Alford at 473-8831 or visit the web at [www.staynavy.navy.mil](http://www.staynavy.navy.mil).



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At the Junior Officer's Spouse brief, spouses learned about benefits and options available to them and their families.

## Career Fair Calendar

### Monday (March 11)

**8 a.m.** PERS-43 Community Status Brief (VP-9) **Loc:** TBA /Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

**8:30 a.m.** CPO Brief by NPC **Loc:** Sharkey Theater/Pearl Harbor **Poc:** NCC Alford

**8:30 a.m.** Sr. Supervisor Career Info Brief by Ruehlin (>E-6/CWO/LDO) **Loc:** Theater/NCTAMS Wahiwa **Poc:** NC1 Lee

**10 a.m.** Recruiter Selection Team Brief **Loc:** Sharkey Theater/Pearl Harbor **Poc:** NCC Alford

**1 p.m.** Submarine Enlisted JASS/Detailing Brief **Loc:** Sharkey Theater/Pearl Harbor **Poc:** ETCM Peters

**1 p.m.** NPC Brief for Leadership/Command Retention Teams **Loc:** E-Club Ball Rm/Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

**1 p.m.** Jr. Enlisted Career Info Brief by Ruehlin (<E-5) **Loc:** Theater/NCTAMS Wahiwa **Poc:** NC1 Lee

### Tuesday (March 12)

**8 a.m.** PERS-43 Community Status Brief (VP-47 or CPRFP) **Loc:** TBA /Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

**8:30 a.m.** PERS-403 Enlisted Sub Manning Brief **Loc:** Sharkey Theater/Pearl Harbor **Poc:** ETCM Peters

**1 p.m.** Sub CO/Maj Com Brief w/PERS-403 **Loc:** CSP Lacy Th./Pearl Harbor **Poc:** ETCM Peters

**1 p.m.** Enlisted JASS/Detailing Brief **Loc:** Banyons/Pearl Harbor **Poc:** NCC Alford

**1 p.m.** Recruiter Selection Team Brief **Loc:** Sharkey Theater/Pearl Harbor **Poc:** NCC Alford

**1 p.m.** Sr. Supervisor Career Info Brief by Ruehlin (>E-6/CWO/LDO) **Loc:** E-Club Ball Rm/Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

**\*\*6:30 p.m.** Spouse Brief on Career Info/Enlisted Detailing **Loc:** TBA /Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

### Wednesday (March 13)

**8 a.m.** PERS-43 Community Status Brief (CPRFP or VP-47) **Loc:** TBA /Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

**8:30 a.m.** Sr. Supervisor Career Info Brief by Ruehlin (>E-6/CWO/LDO) **Loc:** Sharkey Theater/Pearl Harbor **Poc:** ETCM Peters

**8:30 a.m.** NMAA Family Benefits/Financial Health Brief **Loc:** E-Club Ball Rm/Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

**1 p.m.** Jr. Enlisted Career Info Brief by Ruehlin (<E-5) **Loc:** Sharkey Theater/Pearl Harbor **Poc:** NCC Alford

**1 p.m.** EPMAC Manning Brief (Surf) **Loc:** Banyons/Pearl Harbor **Poc:** NCC Alford

**1 p.m.** Enlisted JASS/Detailing Brief **Loc:** E-Club Ball Rm/Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

**\*6:30 p.m.** Aviation Officer Spouse Brief **Loc:** TBA /Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

**\*\*6:30 p.m.** NMAA Family Benefits/Financial Health Brief **Loc:** Lockwood/Pearl Harbor **Poc:** NCC Alford

### Thursday (March 14)

**8:30 a.m.** NMAA Family Benefits/Financial Health Brief **Loc:** Sharkey Theater/Pearl Harbor **Poc:** NCC Alford

**8:30 a.m.** Jr. Enlisted Career Info Brief by Ruehlin (<E-5) **Loc:** E-Club Ball Rm/Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

**8:30 a.m.** EPMAC Manning Brief (Aviation)

**Loc:** John Fill Bldg. Rm. 125/Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

**1 p.m.** NMAA Family Benefits/Financial Health Brief **Loc:** Sharkey Theater/Pearl Harbor **Poc:** NCC Alford

**1 p.m.** Jr. Enlisted Career Info Brief by Ruehlin (<E-5) **Loc:** E-Club Ball Rm/Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

**2 p.m.** Aviation Officer Career Info Brief **Loc:** O-Club Ball Rm/Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

**\*\*6:30 p.m.** NMAA Family Benefits **Poc:** TBA /Kaneohe MCBH **Poc:** NCC Bennet

*\*At the end of the year, all of those who attended the evening spouse events will be entered into a drawing to win a 2002 Jeep Liberty.*

*\*\*Child care for evening spouse events will be provided at the local Child Development Centers. For more information on child care, call event point of contact.*

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*Note: Next week's Hawaii Navy News will include events from March 11 - 15.*