

IMCEA Hawaii Chapter Meets

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The Hawaii Chapter of IMCEA held its third meeting Tuesday, October 16; sponsored by the Army at Hale Ikena at Ft Shafter. The topic of discussion was MWR/MCCS Sports and Recreation Programs. Elden Doi CMCE, Chapter President, narrated the meeting with all branches of services being represented. The photo attached is the guest speaker panel. From Left to Right, Neal Morgan and Jon Shiota were representing the Marine Corps, Mr. Rodney Gouveia representing Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Mr. Terence Park representing the Army and Mr. Anthony Long representing the Coast Guard. Each speaker provided a background and program update for each service as well as upcoming challenges the services will face in the future.

Thirty MRW professionals were in attendance, representing all branches of services. IMCEA Board of Director, Mr. Michael Amarosa, Army was also present. After the meeting, the Hale Ikena hosted a "taste" of their new lunch and dinner menu. All commented that the menu was well done and everyone enjoyed the camaraderie and friendship along with a few cocktails.

Our next IMCEA Chapter meeting is scheduled for December 11th as a Christmas social.

On another note, Frank Faria has announced his retirement at the end of this year. His party is tentatively scheduled for December 5th. IMCEA members will be in attendance to help celebrate Frank's 44 years of MWR service.