



Military ERG Newsletter - February / March 2024

REMINDER: A note on participation and time-charging: *Supervisors are encouraged to allow employees to participate in community activities as operations permit. Employees should charge their usual PA since the activities provide value to SLAC. However, if a particular project requires work to be backfilled during this time, a separate PA number might be required. For employees who are part of a service center, they should charge their shop's UDT (undistributed time) code. For exceptions or complex charging situations, reach out to your business manager.*

Don't forget to visit our MC-ERG Internal Page for information and highlights:

<https://web.slac.stanford.edu/erg/active-groups/military-community>

Interested in growing your career at SLAC?

Know others who are interested in working at SLAC?

Contact our Outreach Officer: Jan Gruenewald, HR Business Partner: jangruny@slac.stanford.edu

Survey of ERG Membership

Survey sent to membership on Friday, January 19th.

Secondary survey will be sent with a renewed / more user-friendly mechanism. Date TBD.

Action items as an outcome of the survey:

- Recurring social event to be scheduled
- Raising of the POW/MIA flag at 5 times of the year

Job Fairs

Upcoming schedule to be posted once events are confirmed (Jan)

Collaboration with Partner Labs

Nothing to report at this time.

Events (internal):

MC-ERG Quarterly Social - Offsite at Dutch Goose - Thursday, March 28th @ 4pm

Upcoming:

- **Memorial Day Events:**
 - **Bldg 53 Lobby Social: Thursday, 5/23, 11:30 am**

Seeking volunteers to assist with coordination. Contact us if you wish to get involved: mcerg-leadership@slac.stanford.edu

- **Golden Gate Cemetery Ceremony & Lunch: Saturday, 5/25, 11:30 am**

- **May Book Selection** - Turn the Ship Around; 25 books secured; communication will be sent out in April to secure your copy.

Events (External):

Office of Military Affiliated Communities at Stanford (OMAC)

Contact Shane Hale to be added to the **mailing list** for events and news: sphale@stanford.edu

SLAC Tour: RSVP request to be sent to OMAC for an onsite SLAC tour.

Stanford Campus Weekly Coffee Chats:

Every Friday, Drop-in between 9 and 11am

Old Union, 2nd floor, Stanford University

Inreach

Do you know of any employees that are currently a member of the Reserve Component or veterans of the military? Encourage them to reach out so that they can be recognized for their continuing service to preserve our freedoms and way of life. “Land of the free because of the brave.”

Outreach / Volunteering

Palo Alto VA Hospital - researching multi-level engagement opportunities (group effort, donation drives, Event support, individual outreach) :

- Proposal is out for Year-round donation bins at 4 lobby locations at SLAC
- Events & Individual Efforts - *AI to clarify what our options are.*

The MC-ERG Historical Articles:

Continuing the Tradition: Bringing Holiday Cheer to the 483rd Transportation Battalion, Fairfield, 2023:

<https://intranet.slac.stanford.edu/news/2024/01/loop-january-4-2024>

Veterans Day Event, 2023:

<https://intranet.slac.stanford.edu/news/2023/11/loop-november-16-2023>

Memorial Day Event & Inaugural Missing Man Table Set up, 2023:

<https://intranet.slac.stanford.edu/news/2023/06/loop-june-1-2023>

Bringing Holiday Cheer to the 483rd Transportation Battalion, Fairfield, 2022:

<https://web.slac.stanford.edu/erg/blog/slac-military-community-employee-resource-group-adopt-families-483rd-transportation-battalion>

Holiday Card Campaign for local VA hospital, 2022:

<https://intranet.slac.stanford.edu/news/2022/01/slac-boosts-spirits-local-veterans>

Veterans Day Event, 2022:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/130113305@N03/albums/72177720303681027/>

Veterans Day Event, 2021:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/130113305@N03/albums/72157720147474198/>

Girl Scouts Giving Campaign for those serving overseas, 2020:

<https://web.slac.stanford.edu/erg/blog/giving-gift-caring-our-troops-overseas>

Series of articles for Veterans Day 2020:

<https://intranet.slac.stanford.edu/news/2020/11/slac-salutes-our-military-community-veterans-day-0>

<https://intranet.slac.stanford.edu/news/2020/11/slac-salutes-our-military-community-veterans-day-1>

SLAC’s Signing of the ESGR Statement of Support, 2018 (you can find the signed statement hanging outside of the SLACafe):

<https://intranet.slac.stanford.edu/news/2018/07/slac-supports-national-guard-and-reserve-employees>

<https://intranet.slac.stanford.edu/news/2018/07/slac-signs-statement-support>

Series of articles for Memorial Day 2018:

<https://intranet.slac.stanford.edu/news/2018/05/healing-and-reconciliation>

<https://intranet.slac.stanford.edu/news/2018/05/growing-military-community>

Military Dates of Note

Coast Guard Reserve birthday – February 19 (1941)
Navy Reserve birthday – March 3 (1915)
Medal of Honor Day - March 25 (1990)
Air Force Reserve birthday – April 14 (1948)
Army Reserve birthday – April 23 (1908)
National Military Appreciation Month - Month of May
Memorial Day - Last Monday in May
Merchant Marines - May 22 (1933)
Army birthday – June 14 (1775)
Flag Day - June 14
Independence Day - July 4
Coast Guard birthday – August 4 (1790)
Marine Corps Reserve birthday – August 29 (1916)
Air Force birthday – September 18 (1947)
Navy birthday – October 13 (1775)
Marine Corps birthday – November 10 (1775)
Veterans Day - November 11
Army National Guard birthday – December 13 (1636)

Useful Resources

VA - https://www.va.gov/?utm_source=header&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=VetResources
CalVet - <https://www.calvet.ca.gov/>
Disabled American Veterans - <https://www.dav.org/get-help-now/veteran-topics-resources/>
National Parks Pass - <https://news.va.gov/110751/free-lifetime-pass-to-national-parks/>
Distinguished Veteran Pass - https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=30107
American Legion - <https://www.legion.org/>
Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) -
https://www.vfw.org/?utm_source=google&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=branded-paid&gclid=Cj0KCQjwn9CgBhDjARIsAD15h0C0aUKNpIJX_h4NxfhfaJPENuiw8LBTWL-9EqkFgNV03ZG5IQmKzqP8aApuCEALw_wcB