



Military ERG Newsletter - January 2024

Welcome to a New Year!

Survey of ERG Membership

Survey sent to membership on Friday, January 19th.
Mid-year survey will be sent with a renewed /more user-friendly mechanism.

Job Fairs

Upcoming schedule to be posted once events are confirmed (Feb).

Collaboration with Partner Labs

Outreach to LBNL to follow up on potential applicants from recent job fair (HoH - Alameda) to expose to SLAC open positions - Stefanie

Events

Office of Military Affiliated Communities at Stanford (OMAC) Weekly Coffee Chats:

Every Friday, Drop-in between 9 and 11am
Old Union, 2nd floor, Stanford University

Carpools will be coordinated - look for invitations to attend; RSVP to ensure we have enough seats in the van available.

Quarterly Social - Offsite at Dutch Goose - **Date TBD (MARCH)**

Upcoming: Memorial Day Event - Targeting Thursday, 5/23

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

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

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

- Donatables (for Patients): Clothing (clean, all sizes)
 - Button down shirts
 - Socks
 - Undershirts

- Underwear
- Sundries
- Shoes
- Events - *AI to clarify what our options are.*
- Individual Efforts - *AI to clarify what our options are.*

The Board is continuing to work with the **OMAC (Office of Military Affiliated Communities at Stanford)** to create career pathways for student veterans.

Military Dates of Note

Coast Guard Reserve birthday – February 19 (1941)
 Navy Reserve birthday – March 3 (1915)
 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=Cj0KCQjwn9CgBhDjARIsAD15h0COaUKNpIJX_h4NxfhfaJPENuiw8LBTWL-9EqkFgNV03ZG5IQmKzqP8aApuCEALw_wcB