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(S.D.)-Mount Rushmore National Memorial Recognized As Patriotic Employer



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Photo: Mount Rushmore National Memorial receives a Patriotic Employer Award from the Employer Support office of the Guard and Reserve. From left: Chief law enforcement ranger Don Hart, superintendent Cheryl Schreier, supervisory law enforcement ranger Darin Oestmann and ESGR employer outreach director Scott Amos.

(KEYSTONE, S.D.)-Mount Rushmore National Memorial has been recognized as a Patriotic Employer supporting the National Guard and Reserve.

Scott Amos, employer outreach director for the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, recognized Mount Rushmore superintendent Cheryl Schreier, chief law enforcement ranger Don Hart, and supervisory law enforcement ranger Darin Oestmann for supporting employees active in the National Guard or Reserves. Law enforcement ranger Ed Belmore, who is currently deployed, nominated his employer for their support of his participation in the Navy Reserves.

"It is an honor to be recognized by the people who are fighting for our independence while we work at a site celebrating it," stated Schreier. During the award presentation, Schreier signed a pledge stating, "We fully recognize, honor, and enforce the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA)." Hart noted, "It is an honor to have on our staff men and women who have served and continue to serve our country."

Active duty U.S. military, Reserve and National Guard members visiting Mount Rushmore National Memorial are encouraged to stop in the Information Center and pick up a free annual America the Beautiful Military Pass. The pass provides free entrance to any fee-based national park site for one year. Mount Rushmore does not have an entrance fee, and the pass does not apply to the parking facility.

For more information on the National Park Service, www.nps.gov.