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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **LATEST NEWS: RETURNING SPONSORS ONCE AGAIN PLEDGE THEIR SUPPORT TO THE MILITARY**

*The Following Sponsors Continue To Support Fleet Week San Diego*

**SAN DIEGO, March 11, 2009:** Fleet Week San Diego is proud to announce that the following organizations have agreed to continue their support to the organization. The Foundation hosts annual events to show recognition to military personnel and to honor the service that they have provided this country. It is the continued support from these organizations that makes Fleet Week a success year after year.

Please read on for more information about those companies and organizations aligned with Fleet Week's Mission: to honor and celebrate the men and women of the military through public events that entertain and alliances that support and thank these heroes.

#### **San Diego Padres**

*Event Sponsor*

The San Diego Padres are celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a Major League Baseball club in 2009. Over those four decades the team has been home to some outstanding players, including Baseball Hall of Fame inductees Tony Gwynn, Dave Winfield and Ricky Henderson. The 2009 season launches a new decade of Padres baseball, so bring the family to Petco Park for a ballgame and an exciting entertainment value.

To show support for the military, the Padres dedicate one of their home games to Fleet Week. The 2009 "Fleet Week Baseball Classic" will be played on Sunday, August 23rd. A special Fleet Week discount is being offered for this game. **To take advantage of this offer fans can go to [www.padres.com/promo](http://www.padres.com/promo) and enter the promo code 'fleetweek'. They will be directed to a page to select their seating category for the August 23rd game with discounted rates. A portion of the ticket purchase price will go to support Fleet Week Foundation events.**

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*Three Star*

General Atomics (GA) has more than 50 years of experience in diversified research, development, and manufacturing of advanced energy and defense systems. GA's Navy programs include Electromagnetic Aircraft Launch System, Advanced Arresting Gear, Navy Railgun, Integrated Power Systems, and Superconducting DC Homopolar Motor. Other DoD programs include systems for biofuels, hazardous waste destruction, nuclear waste management, signature control, magnetic levitation, logistics support, and sensor networks for homeland security and environmental monitoring.

GA leads the National Fusion Program for DOE and the General Atomics Aeronautical Systems affiliate builds unmanned aerial vehicle systems, including the Predator<sup>®</sup>.

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*Fleet Week San Diego is a nonprofit, public benefit corporation. In addition to honoring the military services through the annual Fleet Week events, the foundation's goals are to foster awareness of the contributions made by enlisted military personnel and their families, to enhance relationships between the civilian, business and military communities, to provide events that Military personnel and their families can attend at little or no cost, and to raise funds for charitable efforts benefiting enlisted service members and their families. For more information, or for a complete listing of all of the Fleet Week events, please visit [www.fleetweeksandiego.org](http://www.fleetweeksandiego.org).*

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