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## **Mission Honored: A Dream Achieved**

A Community Celebration for the Dedication of the Veterans Wall of Honor

# ***Four F-18 Fighter Jets to Flyover At May 30 Dedication***

It's Official! Four **F-18 Fighter Jets** will flyover in recognition of the dedication of the Veterans Wall of Honor on May 30, at 1 pm, 1300:00 hours military time. The flyover will follow immediately at the completion of the National Anthem.

The program will start on time! As soon as the Color Guard from the Alpine VFW Post 9578 present the colors, the Honorable Danny Tucker, Chairman of the Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation, will lead in the singing of the Star Spangled Banner. At the conclusion of the National Anthem, be prepared: The F-18s will come roaring above to mark the significance of the Veterans Wall of Honor.

"It will be a day we'll never forget," said Dan Foster, Chairman of the Wall of Honor Committee. "It's the icing on the cake -- jets flying over, a magnificent gesture, because this is our Super Bowl, the final step in our tireless effort to create a peaceful, dignified way to honor those who have served our country and protect our way of life."

The F-18 Flyover is the result of the relentless efforts of Rear Admiral Ted Steele (ret.), an Honorary Member of the Wall of Honor Committee. "The pass will be from east to west, dead center over the wall," said Admiral Steele, noting "the #3 jet will pull up into a steep climb right over target leaving a 'hole' in the finger-tip formation. It's what we call the 'missing man' maneuver."

Admiral Steele adds, "This has been my labor of love to support those in our community who are dedicated to honoring our military personnel. The Wall of Honor is a wonderful symbol of the respect we have for those who serve in harm's way, for those who give up part of their lives to make sure America remains safe and free."

## ***Local Vintage Planes Flyover too***

Joining the F-18s, local vintage planes built in the 1930's and flown by East County residents will also flyover later in the program (See Press Release of May 5, 2011). What a sight to behold!

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Mark your calendar. Remember the date. May 30, at 1 pm at the Alpine Community Center, 1830 Alpine Blvd. Music. Food. Friends. Patriotism. A Special Day to Honor our Veterans!

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