



**Pete Palmer, BG USA (Ret.)**  
**Director**  
**EDGE Innovation Network**



**15 March Guest Speaker**

Pete is the Director of the EDGE Innovation Network at the General Dynamics facility in Mesa. The EDGE program is a revolutionary concept that brings together government entities with industry, academia, and non-profit organizations to collaborate in an open environment the rapid development and delivery of new technologies to Warfighters and First Responders.

Prior to joining General Dynamics C4 Systems, Pete performed over 32 years of active service as a commissioned officer in the United States Army, retiring in 2009 as a Brigadier General. His experience in the Army includes a wide range of assignments in the Infantry, both stateside and abroad.

His most recent assignments include commanding the Battle Command Training Program (BCTP) at the Combined Arms Center at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. BCTP is a simulation based virtual training environment focusing on training Brigade, Division and Army Commanders and Staff on battle command, C4ISR systems and processes. Pete's experience as a thought leader in Human Dimension has kept him at the forefront of technology discovery and allowed him to interact with the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), industry and academia. He is applying this experience to move the EDGE Innovation Network to the next level, keeping it at the forefront of understanding the technology gaps warfighters face and developing new ways for the warfighter to assess and manage information.

Pete received his bachelors of science in electrical engineering and computer science from the United States Military Academy and a masters of arts in National Securities studies from the University of California San Bernardino. He also has two masters of military arts and science in operation and operational art from the US Army Command and General Staff College in Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

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**15 March Luncheon**  
**McCormick Ranch Club House**

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