

Navy Gold Star Program Provides Support to Snowball Express

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The Navy Gold Star Program steams into Dallas, Texas, Dec. 12-17, in support of the annual Snowball Express.

Since 2006, the mission of Snowball Express has been a simple one, to provide hope and make new happy memories to the children of military fallen heroes who have died while on active duty since 9/11. The five-day all-expense paid event gives military children and their parents an experience filled with activities, like sporting events, dances, amusement parks and more.

"This is the second year that the Navy Gold Star program will participate in this five day event," said Lisa Bauch, Navy Gold Star program analyst. "The attendance by Navy Gold Star with this event allows our program staff to connect with Navy survivors and build relationships with this very special group of people."

Bauch said that the Navy Gold Star staff joins over 1,700 military family members and assists in creating opportunities for joy, friendship, education, and communal healing by connecting these families to one another.

"By participating in Snowball Express the hope is that each child feels special and is provided an opportunity to share their feelings about losing something as precious as a parent," said Bauch.

Connect to the Navy Gold Star Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/NavyGoldStar> to see daily updates directly from Snowball Express.

If you would like more information about this event, please visit: <http://snowballexpress.org/>