

WORDS FROM A FELLOW VETERAN

October 2009

Hi! I'm Janet Corey and I am an AmeriCorps* VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America) assigned as the UA Veterans Services Coordinator in the Adult Focus Office. One of the qualifications for this position is to be a military veteran.

I retired from the U.S. Naval Reserve in January 1998 as a Commander. I joined the Navy in May 1977 after dropping out of the UA School of Law. After being commissioned through Officer Candidate School in Newport, RI, I served nearly 11 years of active duty. My duty stations included training commands at Newport, San Diego, and Great Lakes, IL, and my specialties were training administration, instructing, and financial management.

After active duty, I spent 10 years in the Reserves, drilling in Akron, Columbus, Jamestown, NY, and Erie, PA. My gaining commands were located in Charleston, SC, Washington, DC, Newport, and Yokota AB, Japan. I used to joke that the Navy was my travel agent. At Yokota, I was attached to US Forces Japan, and served as the daytime executive assistant (XO) in the Command Center during Operation Desert Storm. I really enjoyed joking with my brothers- and sisters-in-arms from all of the service branches.

As Veterans Services Coordinator, my major projects include: forming two organizations, one for students who are veterans and a second for their family members; educating the University population about veterans' issues and the best practices for helping veterans succeed in an academic environment; and building relationships with local agencies and organizations that assist veterans, so that local veterans are aware of the programs and services available at UA.

One of my favorite quotes is "*Any man who may be asked in this century, what he did to make his life Worthwhile, can respond with a good deal of Pride and Satisfaction, "I served in the United States Navy"*". President John F. Kennedy



To connect with other student veterans from The University of Akron!



Military Veterans Association Meeting is
October 27, 2009 4-6 pm
Student Union Room 308



ROTC VETERANS DAY OBSERVANCE
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10 TO WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2009

The University of Akron's Army ROTC Battalion will conduct a 24 hour vigil in honor of Veterans Day. Cadets will stand guard over a symbolic eternal flame starting 11:11 am on the 10th of November. The vigil will conclude after a breakfast honoring veterans (Martin University Center, 8:30 am on the 11th of November), guest speakers and a ceremonial wreath laying honoring each of the services.

FIRST ANNUAL
HONORING THOSE WHO SERVE CELEBRATION
Wednesday, Nov. 11th, 2009, 11:30 AM—2:30 PM
UA STUDENT UNION BALLROOM A

Immediately following the ROTC Veterans Day Observance, the **MILITARY SERVICES CENTER** will host a social gathering to express our appreciation to those who so valiantly serve our country. Please join us for **FOOD AND RAFFLES**

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VETERAN'S DEAL CATCHERS—FREE "THANK YOU" DINNER

Golden Corral 9th annual Military Appreciation dinners held on Monday, November 16th, 2009, from 5 to 9 pm in all Golden Corral restaurants nationwide.

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Spring 2010
 Registration begins
 October 16 @ 6pm
 Check Zipline for
 your appointment