

WORDS FROM A FELLOW VETERAN

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My name is Jason Alano and I am an undergraduate student at The University of Akron. I am working towards a B.S. in Chemical Engineering. In addition to being a student, I am also a member of the US Navy Reserves. I began my military career on Active Duty in the United States Navy from 1999-2005. While on Active Duty, I served as a Nuclear Power Plant Operator and deployed twice with the USS George Washington (CVN-73).



As the President of the Military Veterans Association (MVA) here at The University of Akron, I am humbled and honored to serve fellow veterans on and off campus. The MVA is an advocacy and support group for student veterans. Our mission is to bring past and current members of the US Armed Forces together to promote, unify and advocate for the veteran voice on and off campus. As President, I intend to collaborate with and bring prominence to many of the veteran support groups off campus including the VFW, American Legion, USO as well as other student veteran groups across the State of Ohio. It is my hope that through the MVA, together, we can affect positive change here on campus as well as at the state and national level in all areas affecting veterans including health care and education. I am interested to know the veterans on this campus and I encourage all veterans to become involved in the MVA. I can be reached at Jason.Alano@ziips.uakron.edu and I hope that all of you have a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday with your family and friends.



University Closed - November 26th & 27th
Happy Thanksgiving!



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

FIRST ANNUAL HONORING THOSE WHO SERVE

- Thanks to the more than 150 veterans and military service members for your attendance at our First Annual Honoring Those Who Serve celebration. It was a great opportunity to honor and thank America's veterans and military service members for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.
- ***A Special Thanks to the following campus organizations for their generous contributions and support: UA Dining Services, The SOuRCe, the Office of Admissions, Department of Athletics, Student Recreation and Wellness Center, Docu-Zip, School of Dance, Theatre, and Arts Administration, Office of the University Registrar, Office of Accessibility and the Student Union for donating the use of the ballroom.***



VETERAN'S DEAL CATCHERS OLD NAVY

The 1st - 4th of Every Month Old Navy will take 10% off your purchase. Be sure to bring your valid U.S. Military ID to show them when you check out. This offer is valid in store only.

PRIORITY REGISTRATION!!!!!!

The Military Services Center is happy to announce starting next term all veterans and services members receiving VA Education Benefits will get priority registration. Prioritizing the registration dates for our students receiving VA benefits should also expedite the MSC's ability to submit enrollment certifications to the VA and to increase turnaround time for payment to both the university and the student.