

HISTORY OF VIETNAM

I. READINGS

There is one summer reading, one textbook, five outside readings, and a optional Microsoft Power Point multi-media project. All books for this course can be purchased in our school bookstore, or any good bookstore, or online at a discount price, and are available in most libraries. The text although not required will help you in getting a greater understanding of Vietnam and the history of the United States involvement in that countries history.

TEXT:

Karnow, Stanley, **Vietnam: A History**. (New York, N.Y., 1983)

ADDITIONAL READINGS:

Ninh, Bao, **Sorrow of War**, (Riverhead Books, 1996)

Galloway, Joseph, Moore, Harold, **We Were Soldiers Once...And Young**, (HarperPerennial, 1992)

Ehrhart, W.D., **Vietnam Perkasio**, (McFarland and Company, 1983)

Van Devanter, Lynda, **Home Before Morning: The Story of an Army Nurse in Vietnam**, (University of Massachusetts Press, 2001)

O'Brien, Tim, **In The Lake of the Woods**, (Houghton Mifflin, 1994)

The Karnow book runs concurrently with the video-tapes which we will be viewing through out the course.

II. MAJOR COURSE REQUIREMENTS

There will be a final examination.

In addition you will be required to write **FIVE (5)** book reviews on your outside readings. You will get opinion papers, and papers pertaining to our outside visitations. You may replace one of your book reviews by completeing a Microsoft Power Point Multi-Media project. You must see me at the beginning of the time period of the book you choose not to read to get the mult-media project assignment.

REVIEW OF FIRST MARKING PERIOD REQUIREMENTS

1. Paper on visitation to the **Philadelphia Vietnam Veteran's Memorial**

Paper due by **17 October, 2002**

Included in this paper will be a personal account of your visit, and the researching of the death of one of the veteran's on the wall. Include an etching of his name from the wall.

2. Paper on the Ninh's book: **Sorrow of War**

Paper Due on **23 September, 2002**

19 Days

3. Paper on the Galloway Moore **We Were Soldire's Once...And Young**

Paper Due on **15 October, 2002**

23 Days

4. Paper on the Van Devanter, **Home Before Morning**

Paper Due on **29 October, 2002**

14 Days

REVIEW OF SECOND MARKING PERIOD REQUIREMENTS

1. A personal account of your experiences and feelings during our class trip to the **National Vietnam Memorial** in Washington DC. Include finding your Philadelphia veteran and taking an etching from the Washington memorial.
Paper Due on **26 November, 2002**
2. Paper on the Ehrhart book **Vietnam Perkasio**.
Paper Due on **18 November, 2002** **20 Days**
3. Paper **The Role of Hollywood in War**.
Paper Due on **9 December, 2002** **14 days**
4. Paper on the O'Brien book **In the Lake of the Woods**
Paper Due on **06 January, 2003** **49 days**
5. **Final Examination** on the date scheduled by the school. **Week of 13 January, 2003**

III. IN ADDITION - EXTRA EVENTS IN THE COURSE

1. We will have speakers from the Montgomery County Vietnam Veteran's of America.
2. We will have speakers from the Friend's Peace Committee.
3. A Sunday bus trip to Arlington National Cemetery and the **National Vietnam Veteran's Memorial** in Washington DC
The date of the trip will be **10 November, 2002**

ALL STUDENTS MUST ATTEND THIS TRIP IT IS PART OF THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE COURSE

IV. SCHEDULE AND READING LIST

SEPTEMBER **Introduction** - Get familiar with the materials and
05 - 06 course procedures

SEPTEMBER **Roots of the War - to 1946**
9 - 13 Karnow , pgs 47-127

SEPTEMBER **The First Vietnam War: The Struggle Against France**
16- 20 Karnow, pgs 128-205

SEPTEMBER **America's Mandarin: The Diem Regime, 1954 - 1963**
23 - 27 Karnow, pgs 206-311

BOOK REVIEW # 1 DUE 23 SEPTEMBER,2002

SEPTEMBER
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OCTOBER **L.B.J. Goes To War, 1963 - 1965**
04 Karnow, pgs 312-426

OCTOBER **America Takes Charge: Fighting The War, 1965 - 1967**
07 – 11 Karnow, pgs 427-513

BOOK REVIEW # 2 DUE 15 OCTOBER, 2002

OCTOBER **A social look at Vietnam:**
16 - 18 Music, reporting. and literature of the Vietnam era

PHILADELPHIA WAR MEMORIAL PAPER DUE 17 OCTOBER, 2002

OCTOBER **The Tet Offensive: 1968**
21 – 25 Karnow, pgs. 514-566

OCTOBER **Vietnamization: 1968 - 1973**
28 - 31 Karnow, pgs. 567 - 612
NOVEMBER
01

BOOK REVIEW # 3 DUE 29 OCTOBER, 2002

NOVEMBER **Cambodia and Laos**
04 - 08 Karnow, pgs 567 - 612

TRIP TO WASHINGTON DC 10 NOVEMBER, 2002

NOVEMBER **Homefront U.S.A. – The Anti-War Movement**
11 - 15 Karnow, pgs 567 - 612

BOOK REVIEW # 4 DUE 18 NOVEMBER, 2002

NOVEMBER **History or Hollywood**
18 - 27 Discussion and preview of history or Hollywood through war film.
Discussion leader Mr. William Geiger

WASHINGTON DC TRIP PAPER DUE 26 NOVEMBER, 2002

DECEMBER **Peace Is At Hand: War and Negotiations**
02 - 06 Karnow, pgs 613-655

HISTORY OR HOLLYWOOD PAPERS DUE 9 December, 2002

DECEMBER **The End of the War: 1973 - 1975**
9 - 13 Karnow, pgs 655-670

DECEMBER **America's Enemy: 1954 - 1967**
16 - 20 A closer look at the enemy, and our Vietnam conflict as their war of
Independence

JANUARY **The Vietnam Experience**
06- 13 Personal accounts of the war in Vietnam

Legacies, Conclusion, and Evaluation
Karnow, pgs 623 - 670

BOOK REVIW # 6 DUE 07 JANUARY, 2003

FINAL EXAMINATION WEEK OF 14 JANUARY, 2003

GRADES AND CLASS REQUIREMENTS

ALL students **MUST** have everyday in class the following:

PEN (with ink) or **PENCIL** (with point)
Notebook, with perforated edges

ALL students must arrive on time
Class begins with a prayer
Sit in **YOUR** assigned seat

GRADES

The LaSalle College high School grading system is used, this is
Located in the Student Program of Studies.

A	=	100 - 95
A-	=	94 - 93
B+	=	92 - 90
B	=	89 - 87
B-	=	86 - 85
C+	=	84 - 82
C	=	81 - 79
C-	=	78 - 77
D+	=	76 - 75
D	=	74 - 73
D-	=	72 - 70
F	=	Below 70

ALL students are responsible for staying current in their reading and note taking.

ALL students **MUST** complete **ALL** assignments **ON TIME**. **NO** late assignments will be accepted.

Students grades are based on the following criteria

Tests
Papers
Homework
Multi-Media project
Class participation

**THERE WILL BE NO EATING
OR DRINKING IN CLASS**

NO WATER BOTTLES