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:

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 Perkasie**, (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 throughout 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 completing 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 multi-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 Soldiers 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


3. Paper The Role of Hollywood in War. Paper Due on 9 December, 2002 14 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
05 - 06 Introduction - Get familiar with the materials and course procedures

SEPTEMBER 09 - 13 Roots of the War - to 1946 Karnow, pgs 47-127

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


BOOK REVIEW # 1 DUE 23 SEPTEMBER, 2002

SEPTEMBER 30

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


BOOK REVIEW # 2 DUE 15 OCTOBER, 2002
A social look at Vietnam: 
16 - 18 Music, reporting, and literature of the Vietnam era

PHILADELPHIA WAR MEMORIAL PAPER DUE 17 OCTOBER, 2002

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

Vietnamization: 1968 - 1973
28 - 31 Karnow, pgs. 567 - 612

BOOK REVIEW # 3 DUE 29 OCTOBER, 2002

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

TRIP TO WASHINGTON DC 10 NOVEMBER, 2002

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

BOOK REVIEW # 4 DUE 18 NOVEMBER, 2002

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

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

HISTORY OR HOLLYWOOD PAPERS DUE 9 December, 2002

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

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

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

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

BOOK REVIEW # 6 DUE 07 JANUARY, 2003

FINAL EXAMINATION WEEK OF 14 JANUARY, 2003

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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.

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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  &= \text{Below 70}
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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