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1967: The Search for Peace Conference Agenda

April 27-29, 2017

Thursday, April 27

- All day: Participants arrive in Lubbock
- 12-5:00 PM: Registration Desk opens at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center
Location: Conference Registration Area near Hotel Registration Desk
- 6:30 PM: Welcoming Reception
Location: Hotel Bar and Lounge
Cash Bar with Heavy Hors d'oeuvres

Friday, April 28

- 7:30 AM: Coffee Service in Conference Area (near Sycamore/Mahogany Rooms)
- 8 AM-5 PM: Registration Desk opens at Clarion Hotel and Conference Center
Location: Conference Registration Area near the Hotel Registration Desk

8:00 AM: WELCOMING REMARKS

Ron Milam, Ph.D., Interim Executive Director, Institute for Peace and Conflict, Texas Tech University

Brent Lindquist, Ph.D., Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Texas Tech University

Administrative Remarks

Stephen Maxner, Ph.D., Director, Vietnam Center and Archive, Texas Tech University

Location: Sycamore Room

8:30 AM: Plenary Session

Understanding 1967 and the Search for Peace

Commentator/Moderator: Greg Daddis, Ph.D. Chapman University

Understanding Vietnam 1967 through Clausewitz's Trinity

Dave Lewis, Colonel, USAF (Retired), Texas Tech University

1967: The Search for Peace

Ron Milam, Ph.D., Texas Tech University

Around the World in War and Peace: Lyndon Johnson's Global Trip, December 1967

Kyle Longley, Ph.D., Arizona State University

Location: Sycamore Room

10:00 AM: Coffee Break

(Beginning of breakout sessions)

10:30 AM: Session 2

Session 2A

Anticipating Nixon's War

Commentator/Moderator: TBD

"Diplomatic Struggle and Discreet Engagement": Kissinger's initial contact with the Democratic Republic of Vietnam recalled by a North Vietnamese diplomat, September – December 1967

Chau Huy Ngoc, Independent Researcher

From Gap to Chasm: 1967 and the Erosion of Public Trust towards War, Government, and News

Clayton Kozan, Ph.D. Candidate, Texas Tech University

"Asia After Viet Nam:" the Writing and Purpose of Richard Nixon's 1967 Foreign Article on the Vietnam War and the Future of Asia

Brian Robertson, Ph.D., Texas A&M University Central Texas

Location: Sycamore Room

Session 2B

The Soldier Experience in the United States and Vietnam, Part I

Commentator/Moderator: TBD

The North Vietnamese Planning for the TET Offensive of 1968

Andrew Finlayson, Colonel, USMC (Retired)

The North Vietnamese Soldier Experience

Jim Zumwalt, Lieutenant Colonel, USMC (Retired)

OPERATION CEDAR FALLS in the New Voices of the Viet Cong

Hai Nguyen, Ph.D. Candidate, Texas Tech University

Location: Cypress Room

12:00 Lunch

Lunch Presentation

The Shared Experience of Combat — 1967 from the Mekong to Missouri

Andrew Wiest, Ph.D., University of Southern Mississippi

Location: Mahogany Room

1:30 PM: Sessions 3

Session 3A

The Vietnam War from a Global Perspective

Commentator/Moderator: Laura Calkins

Out of Options: Lyndon Johnson and the Six-Day War

Justin Hart, Ph.D., Texas Tech University

Dead End Diplomacy: Sincerity and Julius Nyerere in Negotiating the Vietnam War

Paul Bjerk, Ph.D., Texas Tech University

A Look from the Other Camp: Polish People's Republic Attempts to Bring Peace to Vietnam

Jarema Slowiak, Ph.D. Candidate, Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland

Location: Sycamore Room

Session 3B

The Soldier Experience in the United States and Vietnam, Part II

Commentator/Moderator: TBD

South Viet Nam 1967: Stabilization and Stalemate

Frank Scotton, USIS/CORDS/JUSPAO Vietnam 1962-1972

“They Were Definitely Looking For Us...”: Operation Francis Marion and the False Hope of 1967

James Sandy, Ph.D. Candidate, Texas Tech University

A Challenging Effort among Allies: Understanding the American GIs’ Perspectives toward the Soldiers of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam (ARVN)

Carie Nguyen, Ph.D. Candidate, Texas Tech University

Location: Cypress Room

3:00 PM: Coffee Break

3:30 PM: Sessions 4

Session 4A

Screening the Vietnam War

Commentator/Moderator: Justin Hart, Ph.D., Texas Tech University

Sir, No Sir! Antiwar Veterans in Killeen, Texas, during the Vietnam War

David Zeiger, Documentary Filmmaker

A Bond Unbroken: The “Why” of Minh

Mary Ann Koenig, Documentary Filmmaker

Location: Sycamore Room

Session 4B

Debating the War in the United States

Commentator/Moderator: Stephen Sherman, Vietnam Veteran, Independent Researcher

Reassessing the Factual Arguments about the Vietnam War as made in 1967

Robert F. Turner, SJD, Center for National Security Law, University of Virginia
School of Law

Additional commentary and discussion will be provided by:

Andrew Finlayson, Independent Researcher
Marc Jason Gilbert, Ph.D., Hawaii Pacific University

Location: Cypress Room

5:00 PM – End of first day presentations

6:00 PM: Reception
Cash bar
Location: Lobby Lounge and Mahogany Room

6:30 PM: Special Vietnam Veteran Recognition Program
Hosted by 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War Commemoration Program

7:00 PM: CONFERENCE BANQUET
Recommended attire: Business
Location: Mahogany Room

7:40 PM: Keynote Address

Keynote Speaker:

Words of War: The Strategic Discourse of America's Vietnam Experience

Gregory Daddis, Ph.D., Chapman University

8:30 PM: End of banquet

Saturday April 29

7:30 AM: Coffee Service in Conference Registration Area

8 AM-5 PM: Registration Desk opens
Location: Conference Registration Area

8:00 AM: Sessions 5

Session 5A

Conscientious Objection

Commentator/Moderator: TBD

Giving Peace a Chance: Conscientious Objection during the Vietnam Era

Philip Szmedra, Ph.D., Georgia Southwestern State University

The Evolution of Conscientious Objection at Fort Hood, Texas

David Zeiger, Documentary Filmmaker

Not the Law Then, Nor Is It Now: Popularizing Conscientious Objector Status

Abel Rios, M.A., Texas Tech University

Location: Sycamore Room

Session 5B

Disrupting the War

Commentator/Moderator: TBD

Hanoi's Unified Struggle and the Role of US Universities, Media, and Politicians

Roger Canfield, Ph.D., Independent Scholar

The Peace Movements in South Vietnam in Mid-1960s

Michael Do, Independent Researcher

The Assassination (?) of General Nguyen Chi Thanh and the Effort to Stop the Tet Offensive

Kyle Horst, Independent Researcher

Location: Cypress Room

9:30 AM: Coffee break - Conference Registration Area

10:00 AM: Sessions 6

Session 6A

The Domestic Culture of the Vietnam War

Commentator/Moderator: Heather Stur, Ph.D., University of Southern Mississippi

The Vietnam War and Humor

Randy McBee, Ph.D., Texas Tech University

American Counterculture during 1967

Amber Batura, Ph.D. Candidate, Texas Tech University

The Challenge of Liberal Antiwar Activism: The Americans for Democratic Action and Negotiation Now! in 1967

Scott Kamen, Ph.D., University of Toledo

Location: Sycamore Room

Session 6B

Religion and Antiwar Activism

Commentator/Moderator: TBD

Beyond “Beyond Vietnam”

Steven Schroeder, Ph.D., Independent Scholar

Mennonite Advocacy for Peaceful Resolution of Conflict

Luke Martin, M.A., Eastern Mennonite Board of Missions and Charities in Saigon, Vietnam, 1961-1975

Diplomatic of Pope John XXIII and Pope Paul VI on peaceful coexistence in the context of the war in Vietnam from 1964 to 1967

Le Thi Hoa, Ph.D. Candidate, University Paris Diderot, Paris, France

Location: Cypress Room

11:30 Lunch

Lunch Presentation

Heather Stur, Ph.D., University of Southern Mississippi

Location: Mahogany Room

1:00 PM: Session 7

Session 7A

Rural Issues in South Vietnam

Commentator/Moderator: TBD

Agrowar in the Year of the Goat: Rice, Irregular Warfare, and the Search for Peace in South Vietnam, 1967

Martin G. Clemis, Ph.D., Valley Forge Military Academy and College

Lam Dong: Province Situation in 1967

Neil H. Olsen, Ph.D., Independent Scholar

TVA on the Mekong - Hanoi's Missed Opportunity for Peace

Stephen Sherman, Independent Researcher

Location: Sycamore Room

Session 7B

Fulbright, Education, and Human Rights

Commentator/Moderator: TBD

“Bernard Fall, J. William Fulbright, and the Senate Foreign Relations Committee Hearings, 1966-1967”

Nathaniel Moir, Ph.D. Candidate, State University of New York at Albany (SUNY)

“Looking Into Hell”: Transitional Justice and the Early Human Rights Movement in 1967

Cody J. Foster, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Kentucky

The Year 1967: A Critical Time of Advancing the Higher Education of the South Vietnamese Government

Truong, Thuy Dung, Ph.D. Candidate, Hamburg University, Hamburg, Germany

Location: Cypress Room

2:30 PM: Coffee break - Conference Registration Area

3:00 PM: Session 8

Session 8A

Technology and Development in the Vietnam War

Commentator/Moderator: TBD

CORDS, Nation-Building, and the Search for Peace from 1967 Onwards

Andrew J. Gawthorpe, Ph.D., Leiden University, The Netherlands

All Aboard the Peace Game: Vietnam and the Only ARPA-funded Bargaining and Conflict Resolution Simulation during the Vietnam War, 1966-1967

Marc Jason Gilbert, Ph.D., Hawaii Pacific University

GIS Operational Analysis of the Vietnam War, 1967

Mervyn Roberts, Ph.D., Central Texas College

Location: Sycamore Room

Session 8B

People’s Diplomacy

Commentator/Moderator: TBD

Let’s Go Shopping for Tet: Hue on the Eve of Destruction

Nguyen Diu Huong, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Washington, Seattle

“Georgia versus the Antiwar Movement: The American South and the Rejection of Peace in 1967”

Glenn Robins, Ph.D., Georgia Southwestern State University

Establishing People’s Diplomatic Ties

Jessica M. Frazier, Ph.D., University of Rhode Island

Location: Cypress Room

4:30 PM: Closing Remarks

Stephen Maxner, Ph.D., Vietnam Center and Archive, Texas Tech University

Location: Sycamore Room

5:00 PM: END OF CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS
