

Vietnam

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Dr. Joseph G. Dawson, director of Texas A&M University's Military Studies Institute which sponsored Ziemke's speech, said the tradeoff decision could have backfired.

"It was a huge risk," he said. "Their policy could have fallen apart if Iran had fallen in 1975."

Iran was a U.S. ally until the pro-U.S. government fell in 1979 to Muslim fundamentalists who considered the United States an imperialist threat.

Ziemke said conflicts with Iran and the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan in the late 1970s forced the United States to take a more active role in the world.

"We had a bunch of American hostages in Tehran, and we couldn't do a thing about it," she said. "And Afghanistan indicated

that Soviet strategy was becoming aggressive and expansionist, possibly because they thought of the U.S. as not capable of responding to that threat."

Ziemke said the new U.S. involvement in the world led to the United States leading the United Nations actions against Iraq during the Gulf War.

"The military in the 1970s took a series of calculated risks that really paid off in the Gulf War," she said.

Holocaust

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never gave up," he said. "I believe somebody up there was looking after me."

"I don't preach hate," he said. "I'm not bitter either. I'm here to make sure it doesn't happen again. We must stop racism, anti-Semitism and bigotry. We must never let this happen again. It's beautiful to be free."

When the war ended, Jacobs was 20-years-old and weighed 70 pounds.

Jacobs stressed the importance of making people aware of the Holocaust.

"We have to educate about

what can happen when we get silent and complacent," he said. "We have to tell what people can do to each other. We need to educate people on the beauty of freedom."

"I want people to know what I went through and thousands like me," he said. "I want my children and my children's children to be free and live in a beautiful country."

Jacobs lost his family during the Holocaust. In the 1970s, he and his children returned to many Holocaust sites to show them his past.

Josef Elchanan, coordinator of the event, said the situation in Bosnia shows that people have forgotten the Holocaust and failed to learn from it.

"It shows that people are going to always do this to minority groups," he said.

Elchanan is a junior business administration major and member of the Corps of Cadets.

"From Death to Life: An Interdenominational Liturgical Reflection on the Holocaust," was sponsored by the Episcopal Student Center, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, the Hillel Jewish Student Center, St. Mary's Catholic Student Center, the University Lutheran Chapel and the Wesley Methodist Foundation.

Students from the groups are continuing a 10-year-old tradition of reading the names of those killed in the Holocaust all day Monday at Rudder Fountain.

Embryology

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known to be responsible for the formation of the embryo," Badawi said.

Before 1775, Badawi said there were many "preformation theories" explaining the formation of the embryo with references only to the ovum or only to the sperm.

In the next verse, Sura 23:14 -

"Then We made the drop into a (alaca) leech-like structure. The word 'alaca' describes the human embryo, Badawi said.

According to Moore's article, "This is an appropriate description of the human embryo from days seven to 24, when it clings to the endometrium of the uterus, in the same way that a leech clings to the skin."

Badawi limited his discussion and use of scientific examples to the Koran because he said it would take too much time to cover both the Bible and Koran.

The lecture was presented by the Islamic community of Bryan/College Station and the Muslim Student Association.

Badawi is also a professor at Saint Mary's University in Halifax, Canada and chairman of the Islamic Information Foundation.

He has participated in more than 300 lectures world-wide and has participated in numerous debates, dialogues and panel discussions with Christian and Judaic scholars.

Muster

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past to a day set aside to honor fallen heroes.

Today's Muster ceremony consists of poetry readings, a speaker and "Roll Call for the Absent," during which the deceased's name is read, a candle is lit, and a friend or family member answers "here," signifying that although the person is no longer here in body, they remain in spirit. The roll call represents A&M's motto, "Once an Aggie, always an Aggie."

Texas A&M President Dr. William Mobley called Muster one of the most meaningful of A&M's traditions and ceremonies.

He said the ceremony is symbolic of the unity among students and former students and is a moving way to remember Aggies who have passed away.

"The fact that there are Muster

ceremonies all over the world is a tribute to the bonding among Aggies," he said.

Next year's student body president Brian Walker said the ceremony is one of the things that separates A&M from other universities.

"We're like a big family and it gives us a chance to get together and remember old times," he said. "It gives me chills whenever I see it."

This year's Muster, which celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Class of '43, will have a special visitor - former President George Bush.

Bush will attend Muster as a participant, but will not have a special role in the event.

Questions as to whether his appearance will be a distraction and disrupt the ceremony were laid to rest by University administrators.

"The president understands and knows what the situation is," said Dr. John Koldus, vice president for student services. "It's a

nice touch and will be handled appropriately."

Mobley said Bush's appearance will not interrupt the ceremony at all.

"We're honored to have him attend," he said. "It's an honor he's interested in A&M and wants to come as a participant," he said.

Mobley commended the efforts of the Muster committee in helping bring about what he called "one of A&M's greatest traditions."

Muster activities begin this year with a barbecue Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Academic Plaza. Tickets can be purchased for \$5 with Aggie Bucks, but only meal plans and cash will be accepted on site.

The Muster ceremony will feature keynote Jack Fritz, the originator of the candle lighting ceremony and past president of the Association of Former Students. Muster will begin Wednesday at 7 p.m. in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

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