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## Special Book Event with Ben East

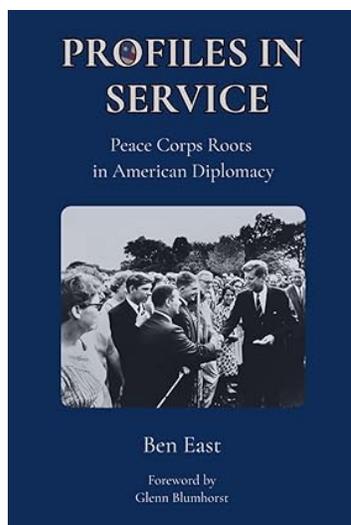
# *Profiles in Service*

## *Peace Corps Roots in American Diplomacy*

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

6:30 – 8:00 PM

DACOR Bacon House, 1801 F Street NW



The ADST's latest release in the Diplomats and Diplomacy series—*Profiles in Service: Peace Corps Roots in American Diplomacy*—follows the throughline from participation in grassroots citizen exchange to challenges and achievements in highwire diplomacy. The featured individuals played a role in major global events of the last seven decades, from domestic school desegregation efforts in the 1950s to the Iran hostage crisis of 1979–81; they contributed to rebuilding wartorn societies in Iraq, Afghanistan, and Vietnam and rebuilt infrastructure devastated by natural disasters.

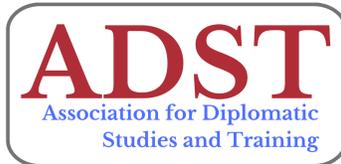
Author Ben East will discuss how his research using ADST's unique oral histories, contemporary interviews, and other material shaped the narrative. Whether with the Peace Corps, USAID, or the U.S. Department of State, these diplomats helped keep America safe, strong, and prosperous despite increasing turbulence and uncertainty. Among the diplomats featured in *Profiles* are:

Frank Almaguer; Charles Baquet, III; Donald Bliss; Parker W. Borg; Brenda Brown Schoonover; David Greenlee; Christopher Hill; Franklin Pierce Huddle, Jr.; John Limbert;

Michael Metrinko; Peter Tomsen; Victor Tomseth; Kathleen Stephens; and Pamela White.

Paperback editions of *Profiles in Service* will be available for purchase during the event.

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