

## Conference Workshops

### **6. Professional Panel**

**Location: NDH 351**

Not sure about what you want to be or do in life? Come listen to advice from professionals in different career fields! It's also your chance to ask questions!

**Moderator:** Channy Rasavong

### **7. Mount Mary Tour (30 Female Students Only) Location: TBA**

Get a tour of Mount Mary's campus and learn about the advantages of attending a small college.

### **8. Think College: Think of the Wisconsin Educational Opportunity Programs**

**Location: GHC 219**

The Wisconsin Educational Opportunity Programs (WEOP) reach out to educationally and economically disadvantaged students with college potentials in Wisconsin, and work with them to raise their educational and career aspirations. WEOP also provide financial assistance (TIP, GEAR UP) and financial aid and scholarship information to their students. (For students in grades 8-12)

**Presenters: Esteban Romero, Wisconsin DPI**

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## Mission I'mpossible



**Friday, April 12, 2013**  
**Mount Mary College**

### **Our Mission:**

To further promote educational, career and cultural opportunities for Southeast Asian American students by collaborating with Southeast Asian communities and higher educational institutions.

### **Our Sponsors:**

**Hmong American Friendship Association**

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**University of Wisconsin-Parkside:** Office of Admission

## Program Schedule

9:00-9:15 A.M.	Arrival and Registration ( <i>Alumnae Dining Room</i> )
9:20-9:30 A.M.	Conference Introduction: Mai Yang
9:30-9:40 A.M.	Welcoming Remarks: Rachel Sonnentag
9:40-10:00 A.M.	Keynote Speaker: Bao Vang
10:05-10:55 A.M.	Workshop Session I ( <i>Classrooms</i> )
11:00-11:50 A.M.	Workshop Session II ( <i>Classrooms</i> )
11:55 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.	Scholarship Awards ( <i>Alumnae Dining Room</i> )
12-12:45 P.M.	Lunch/ Student's Performances
12:50-2:20 P.M.	College Fair ( <i>North Dining Room</i> )
2:25-2:55 P.M.	College Student Panel ( <i>Alumnae Dining Room</i> )
2:55-3:00 P.M.	Closing Remark: Mai Yang
3:00 P.M.	Departure

### Keynote Speaker: Bao Vang



Bao Vang is the weekend evening anchor and reporter at WBAY Action 2 News in Green Bay, Wisconsin. Before her move to Northeast Wisconsin in November 2011, she anchored the morning news for five years at WSAW News Channel 7. There, she told a variety of stories, most notably, her own Hmong wedding. Bao is the youngest of nine children. Before her family emigrated from Southeast Asia, two of her eldest siblings died. The surviving members of her clan settled in St. Paul, Minnesota in 1978. She was born in 1984. While Bao no longer lives in the Twin Cities, she still considers it home.

## Conference Workshops

### Sessions I & II

#### 1. College Matters: Why You Should Go?

**Location: GHC 211**

Should you or should you not go to college? Learn the importance of a higher education degree. Compare and contrast the income differences and career options of both high school and college graduates.

**Presenter:** Ger Vang, MATC Allied Health Occupation Programs  
**Moderator:** Chia Vang

#### 2. Paying for College

**Location: NDH 137**

How do you pay for college? How to find extra money? You will gain a better understanding of how to apply for scholarships, grants, and loans (FAFSA, Scholarships, Fast Web, etc.) from this workshop.

**Presenter:** Austin Haynes  
**Moderator:** Der Vang

#### 3. Mount Mary's Snapshot (Female Students Only)

**Location: GHC 203**

Want to find out how you can achieve your educational and career goals at a private, women's college? Meet with one of their admission counselors to learn about the school's academic programs, financial aid, scholarships, and how you can achieve your goals!

**Presenter:** Bethany Wichman  
**Moderator:** Eva Martinez Powless

#### 4. Information Science and Technology

**Location: GHC 109**

Major in Information Science & Technology. Learn how information is retrieved, organized, manipulated, repackaged and applied in nearly every aspect of our increasingly digital culture and economy.

**Presenter:** Twyla McGhee, Senior Advisor  
**Moderator:** Felipe Rodriguez

#### 5. Academic Track in High School

**Location: NDH 248/250**

This workshop will explore the postsecondary planning process with high school students and the necessary "action plan" needed for their success. Participants will be introduced to the MPS TEAM UP College Access Centers and the many opportunities available to support their success!

**Presenter:** Sharnissa Dunlap-Parker, College Access Coordinator,  
Milwaukee Public Schools  
**Moderator:** La Phakeovilay