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Hmong Studies Journal Publishes Special Hmong Across Borders Conference Issue at www.hmongstudiesjournal.org

The Saint Paul-based Hmong Studies Journal is pleased to announce the publication of a special issue commemorating the Hmong Across Borders Conference that was held at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities in the Fall of 2013. Special issue co-editors, Dr. Mark Pfeifer, Editor of the Hmong Studies Journal, and Dr. Pa Der Vang, Assistant Professor at the University of Saint Catherine, explained: “This volume is the culmination of a process involving the selection of speeches and papers elaborating on important themes that were the focus of the Hmong Across Borders Conference held at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities in October 2013. These themes included: Cross Comparative Research in Hmong Studies across the Hmong Diaspora in Asia, the United States and elsewhere and emerging work in Critical Hmong Studies. We believe several articles in the volume make major contributions to Hmong research including Dr. Bruce Downing’s keynote on the history of Hmong Studies at the University of Minnesota and Dr. Prasit Leepreecha’s keynote discussion on the relationship between Hmong Studies and transnationalism.”

An internet-based journal, the Hmong Studies Journal is the only peer-reviewed academic publication devoted to the scholarly discussion of Hmong history, Hmong culture, Hmong people, and other facets of the Hmong experience in the U.S., Asia and around the world. The Hmong Studies Journal has now published 18 online issues in 15 volumes with a total of 135 scholarly articles since 1996. The Hmong Across Borders Conference was made possible with the support of the Luce Foundation, the University of Minnesota’s Imagine Fund for Special Events, Asian American Studies Program, Immigration History Research Center and Archives (IHRC), the Institute for Advanced Study, the Hmong Studies Consortium, and the University of Wisconsin-Madison’s Center for Southeast Asian Studies.

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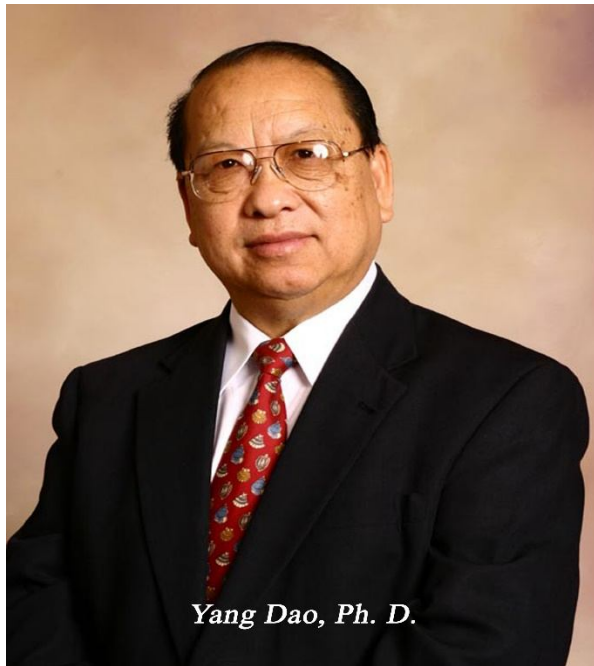
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