



Chinese Cultural Festival

HND Conference

International Dinner

HaSEAAC Masquerade Dance

Portage County Cultural Festival

Mai Vang Named to Equity and Affirmative Action Post

Mai Vang, a student service specialist in education and coordinator of Project Forward, has been named the new assistant to the chancellor for Equity and Affirmative Action. Vang will begin her duties on July 1.

"I am thrilled about the appointment and look forward to working with the students, staff, and faculty at UWSP," said Mai. "I am honored to have been offered the appointment; the job holds important responsibilities and plays a significant role in hiring at the university."

Mai was born in Laos and grew up in Stevens Point, WI. She graduated from SPASH and then received both her degrees in Education from UW-Stevens Point.

She lives with her two children, Madilynn and James and her parents, Mai C. and Zoov Vang also reside close to her.



Mai Vang at PCCF

Aside from her job, Mai enjoys reading. "I am reading a series of books by Bruce Catton on the Civil War. I've read *The Civil War* and am starting on *A Stillness at Appomattox*," said Mai.

As the new assistant to the chancellor for Equity and Affirmative Action, Vang will develop, implement and monitor equity and affirmative action policies and procedures to ensure that all employees and applicants at UWSP are treated fairly regardless of age, race, religion, gender, sexual orientation,

or any one of a number of other factors. She also will serve as an institutional spokesperson on diversity related issues.

Mai's familiarity with the campus and the community will help her move quickly into her new position. "She brings a focused energy and sense of purpose," said Chancellor Linda Bunnell. The chancellor also thanked Ron Stregge, Multicultural Affairs, who has served as interim director for Equity and Affirmative Action since October 2004. "I am most grateful to Ron for his willingness to serve as interim director. He has done an excellent job of streamlining our processes and preparing important reports to the state and the UW System about our progress toward diversity in our faculty and staff," said the Chancellor.

Some sources taken from Faculty and Staff Message of the Day

- S. Lee Her

Protect Yourself from the Sun

As the weather gets warmer, everyone wants to get out and enjoy it. Make sure you take precautions before stepping outside. Skin cancer is one of the leading causes of death in the United States.

According to the National Cancer Institute, more than one million people are diagnosed with non-melanoma skin cancer in the United States every year. In fact, non-melanoma skin cancer is the most common type of cancer in the country.

The best way to prevent skin cancer is to protect yourself from the sun. Doctors suggest that people of all ages limit their time in the sun and avoid other sources of UV radiation.

It is best to stay out of the midday sun (from

mid-morning to late afternoon) whenever you can. In addition, make sure to wear long sleeves and long pants of tightly woven fabrics, a hat with a wide brim, and sunglasses that absorb UV. Most importantly, make sure to use sunscreen lotions with sun protection factor (SPF) of at least 15 or over because they may help prevent skin cancer. Finally, avoid sunlamps and tanning booths.

The next time you step outside, make sure to follow these steps to prevent yourself from getting cancer.

Source taken from the National Cancer Institute at www.cancer.gov.

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Multicultural Affairs Annual Events

Freshmen Orientation.....	Summer
Celebracion Hispana.....	September
Festival of India.....	September
AMSLC.....	October
Building Unity.....	October
Hmong Dinner.....	November
Soul Food Dinner.....	February
Gospel Choir Festival.....	February
International Dinner.....	March
AIRO Pow-Wow.....	April
Portage County Cultural Festival.....	April

*Note: Some events may not be held this year due to renovation of the University Center or the dates may vary.

Student Enrollment—Sem II

RACE	COUNTS	% of TOTAL
African American/ Black	75	.93%
Caucasian	7428	92.50%
Native American	60	.75%
Other Asian	58	.72%
Southeast Asian	125	1.56%
Hispanic/ Latino	78	.97%
Unknown	76	.98%
International	130	1.62%
TOTAL	8030	100%

We're Part of Multicultural Affairs

- Multicultural Affairs Main Office
- Content-Area Tutoring
- ESL Summer Programs
- Student Support services (SSS)
- Multicultural Resource Center (MCRC)
- Precollege Programs for MCA
- Native American Center (NAC)
- Upward Bound Program



100 PEOPLE



If the world were 100 people, there would be:

- 57 Asians
- 21 Europeans
- 14 from North and South America
- 8 Africans
- 52 would be female
- 48 would be male
- 70 would be nonwhite, 30 white
- 59% of the entire world's wealth would belong to only 6 people and all 6 would be citizens of

the United States; 80 would live in substandard housing; 70 would be unable to read; 50 would suffer from malnutrition
I would be near death
I would be near birth
I would have a college education
99 of them will not see this message, because only 1 would have a computer.

Editorial Comment—Linda Pluke

Have a wonderful, relaxing summer! Some websites to play free games:
www.pogo.com
www.iwin.com

The deadline for Fall newsletter articles is: August 11, 2006.

Please submit them to me:
 Linda Pluke, Editor—
 Multicultural Affairs, 202
 SSC or email to:
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From the Director's Desk-Ron Strege

Welcome to UWSP! I am glad you are here learning about our campus. I know you get a lot of information these next few days and it will take awhile to sift through all the paper, but if you have gotten this far reading you must be making progress!

As you can tell from this newsletter we are involved on campus in many ways. We provide educational programming regarding different cultures to the entire UWSP campus community, we help with academic concerns, and we also serve as a resource for those students that seek us out for guidance.

No matter what your background is, you are welcome in our Multicultural Resource Center now located on the 3rd floor of Nelson

Hall. Come sit and work on a paper or bring your lunch and hang out. It is a great place to meet other students. We are all family here at UWSP.

Good luck this summer and we will see you in the Fall!



- Ron

Spring 2006 Multicultural Award Recipients

Chancellor's Leadership Award Recipients

Alyssa Brown
Mario Estrada
Coriey M. Evans
Pa Na Lor
Juan Mendoza
Janelle Montemayor
Linda Moua
Nisha S. Shah
Afra Sumeir
Bernice S. Twinn
Alison Yang
Satomi Akagi
Stephanie Albers
Alyson Johnson
Sarah Orlofske

University Leadership Award Recipients

Multicultural
Robert Forseth
Mbuyi (Jolie) Kadima
Sheng Lee
Juan Raul Moreno Jr.
Mazie Maichoua Moua
Dolly Vang
Arturo Vigueras
Pamela Waukau
Chee Xiong
Yauo Yang
Rhea Owens
Mary Peeters
John Trimberger
Kristie Chappa
Melissa Cichantek
Marie Schmidt

Mentor Award Recipients

Sue Clark Kubley

Student Organizations

David M. Davila Jr.

Please note that not all the names of recipients are included in this list of student awards, and not all awards are listed in this section. The listed students are mainly Multicultural students or have been greatly involved in Multicultural issues.



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**Check out the
Multicultural Affairs
Web Page!**
www.uwsp.edu/multicultural

ACTIONS

My philosophy is that not only are you responsible for your life, but doing the best at this moment puts you in the best place for the next moment.

- Oprah Winfrey

FAULTS

The greatest of all faults is to be conscious of none.

- Thomas Carlyle

INFLUENCE

Influence is like a savings account. The less you use it, the more you've got.

- Andrew Young

EQUALITY

I am who I am.

I don't have to change who I am to be equal to anyone. - Kay Coles James

Multicultural Student Organizations

SALSA

Student Alliance for Latino Studies & Advancements

Advisor: Elia Armacanqui-Tipacti and Rosario Alemparte

Purpose: To provide a more extensive understanding of Latin American cultures. It will promote education about a positive image of the Latin American culture within the university and the wider community.

BSU

Black Student Union

Advisor: Beverley David

Purpose: To cultivate self-esteem, racial understanding, and to unite the black students on the UWSP campus and educate people on black issues.

International Club

Advisor: Kathy Lamb & Jutta Brendel

Purpose: To promote and encourage and exchange of culture throughout the nations by providing opportunities for friendship, understanding and the social interests of its members.

AIRO

American Indians Reaching Opportunities

Advisor: Sharon Cloud

Purpose: To encourage awareness and understanding for all Indian people.

HaSEAAC

Hmong & Southeast Asian American Club

Advisor: Sue Clark Kubley

Purpose: To provide a more extensive understanding of the Southeast Asian culture and to promote cultural awareness.

AISES

American Indians Science & Engineering Society

Advisor: Andrew Gokee

Purpose: To provide opportunities for American Indians and Alaska Natives to pursue studies in sciences, engineering, business and other academic arenas.

Jewish Student Cultural Organization

Advisor: Amy Gervasio & Edward Miller
Purpose: Promote and provide understanding of the Jewish culture through education regarding cultural, historical and current event programming.

CCC

Chinese Culture Club

Advisor: Jianwei Wang

Purpose: To encourage and understanding of current and traditional Chinese cultural, social, and economical development.

SAS

South Asia Society

Advisor: Jyoti Chander

Purpose: To foster global family and promote an exchange of culture, friendship and understanding among members and the community.