

2013 Annual Report & Newsletter



Hmong American Education Fund (HAEF)

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2013 Scholarship Recipients

We are proud to announce our 2013 scholarship recipients. There were 191 qualifying applications received. All applicants were quality students and outstanding future leaders deserving of a scholarship. Unfortunately, resources only allowed us to award eight (8) scholarships. Congratulations to the 2013 HAEF inaugural scholarship recipients!



Nou Lee—UC Merced Vang Pao Scholarship



See Vang—Sacramento City College, Xia Thao Scholarship



Kasheng Lee—UW Stevens Point, Chertzong Vang Scholarship



Pang Yang—UC Santa Cruz, Chertzong Vang Scholarship



Pakou Vang—St. Louis College of Pharmacy, Khai Vang Scholarship



Neng Vue—UM Twin Cities, Advisors of America Scholarship



Maissee Yang—UM Twin Cities, HAEF Scholarship 1



Vong Vang—University of St. Thomas, HAEF Scholarship 2

2014 Scholarships

In 2014 we proudly announce 14 scholarships:

- HAEF Scholarship 1
- HAEF Scholarship 2
- Advisors of America Scholarship

- Dr. Kou Bliaxa Vang and Song Lee Vang Living Legacy Scholarship (2)
- Sushi Tango Restaurant Scholarship
- Vang Pao Memorial Scholarship
- Xia Thao Memorial Scholarship

Save The Dates for these events!

Scholarship final selection for 2014:

Where: Hmong Village, Advisors of America Office

When: Saturday, May 3rd, 2014
10:30 am to 12 noon

HAEF Concert & Awards Banquet:

Where: Hmong House
2112 11th Ave East
North St. Paul, MN 55109

When: Saturday, August 2, 2014


Cherzoong V. Vang Memorial Scholarship (3)

Sia Yang Memorial Scholarship (2)


Nong Khai Memorial Scholarship

2014 Living Legacy and Business Sponsor Scholarships

DR. KOU BILAXA VANG & NIAM DR. KOU (SONG LEE VANG)
LIVING LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP
 2014 APPLICATION PACKET




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This scholarship was donated by Dr. Kou Bilaxa Vang and Niam Dr. Kou (Song Lee Vang)

ADVISORS OF AMERICA SCHOLARSHIP
 2014 APPLICATION PACKET




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This scholarship was made possible and donated by Mr. Yu Michael Thao.

SUSHI TANGO SCHOLARSHIP
 2014 APPLICATION PACKET



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This scholarship was made possible and donated by Mr. & Mrs. Pao Thao.

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2014 Leadership Legacy Memorial Scholarships

YANG PAO
 THE PRAYA NORAPARMORK GENERAL YANG PAO
 LEADERSHIP LEGACY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND
 2014 APPLICATION PACKET



December 4, 1927 - January 6, 2011
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This scholarship was donated by Dr. Kou Bilaxa Vang & Niam Dr. Kou (Song Lee Vang) in loving memory of General Yang Pao.

XIA THAO
 THE MRS. PRAYA NORAPARMORK GENERAL YANG PAO
 LEADERSHIP LEGACY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND
 2014 APPLICATION PACKET




April 27th, 1937 - March 4th, 2017
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This scholarship was donated to Xia Thao's children, daughter-in-law and son-in-law in loving memory of Xia Thao.

CHEERZONG Y. VANG
 IN LOVING MEMORY OF CHEERZONG Y. VANG - THAKHUI VAI TXIAH
 APPLICATION PACKET, 2014



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This scholarship was donated by Cheerzong Y. Vang's children and his nephew-in-law in loving memory of Cheerzong Y. Vang (Thakhuai Vei Txiah).
 Photograph provided by the family. If you like a copy please email: info@thehaef.org

2014 Memorial Scholarships

SEA YANG
 IN LOVING MEMORY OF SEA YANG
 APPLICATION PACKET, 2014



May 4, 1918 - September 11, 2014
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This scholarship was donated by Lou Hsu, Gwendolyn & Brenda in loving memory of Sea Yang.


NOIG KHAI HUNOR YANG
 THE NOIG KHAI HUNOR YANG LEGACY MEMORIAL
 SCHOLARSHIP FUND
 2014 APPLICATION PACKET




July 17, 1919 - December 29, 2008
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This scholarship was made possible and donated by Chue T. Vang & Lou Thao in loving memory of Noig Khai Hunor Yang.



HAEF SCHOLARSHIP 1
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HAEF SCHOLARSHIP 2
 2014
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Dr. Kou Bliaxa Vang and Song Lee Vang—First Living Legacy Scholarship Donors

DR. KOU BLIAXA VANG & NIAM DR. KOU (SONG LEE VANG)
LIVING LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP
 2014 APPLICATION PACKET



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This scholarship was donated by Dr. Kou Bliaxa Vang and Niam Dr. Kou (Song Lee Vang)

Dr. Kou Bliaxa Vang and Song Lee were married on June 28, 1972 in Laos and came to this country in 1976. They have three sons and three daughters.

Dr. Vang is a Doctor of Dental Surgery and a Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Air Force, Minnesota Air National Guard. He is also the founder of Vang Dental, Inc., and Hmong Minnesota Professionals, LLC.

Dr. Vang is a highly respected individual and leader in the Hmong community. He has been featured numerous times in the press and in public for his dental work and service in the Minnesota Air National Guard. Outside of running their busy dental practice and being grandparents, Dr. Vang and Song Lee makes every effort to be visible and contributes on a daily basis to the Hmong community and community at large.

Dr. Kou Bliaxa Vang and Song Lee are the first in the Hmong community to donate a Living Legacy Scholarship to directly benefit Hmong students. Their generosity, leadership and philanthropic spirit will touch and inspire many students and donors alike for generations to come.

Special Thanks to Dr. James Nhia Vang



Dr. James Nhia Vang, is the main donor along with Chaleunsouk Vang of the General Vang Pao Memorial Scholarship. In 2013, the scholarship awarded \$2,500. Pictured here is Dr. James Nhia Vang with Ms. Nou Lee from Merced CA who was the recipient of the GVP Scholarship in 2013.

Dr. James is a podiatrist and runs the Foot and Ankle Care Center in St. Paul, MN. He hopes to see more young Hmong students go into the technology and medical fields. Dr. James Nhia Vang is an active supporter of education and of the Hmong community in the Twin Cities. His leadership and dedication to support tomorrow's leaders helps pave the path for young Hmong students.

New Board of Director Member, Bill Tilton, JD



Bill Tilton is a practicing lawyer with over 30 years of experience. Bill focuses on many types of law: personal injury, wrongful death matters, medical malpractice, accidents, products liability, defamation, discrimination, and more. Bill is licensed both in MN & WI and is a partner with a local firm, Tilton & Dunn P.L.L.P. He is also a certified trial lawyer and has been awarded "Lawyer of the Year" once and "Super Lawyer" by *Minnesota Lawyer* numerous times.

Over the years, Bill has contributed his time to help many people and organizations by providing pro bono legal services and sitting on boards. He is the proud father of three daughters. Bill has visited over 50 countries, hitchhiked across the Sahara Desert, summit Mount Kilimanjaro and much more. Bill Tilton looks forward to many more years of helping people. Welcome Bill!

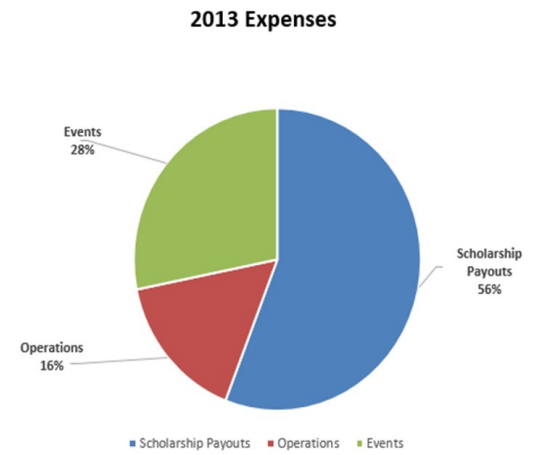
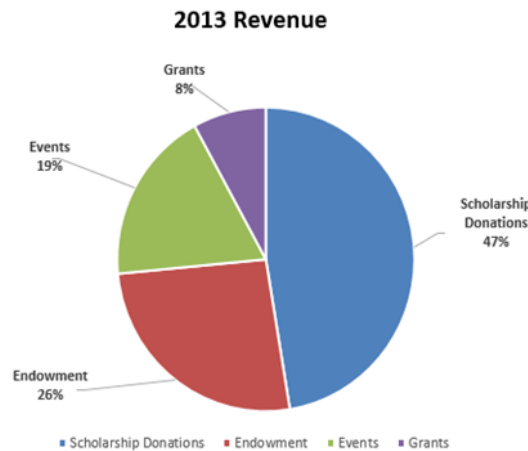


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2013 Financial Summary:

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Scholarships for Students



A Big Thank You to Every Donor, Grantor, Volunteer, And Judges! You Each Made this Possible!

TO OUR DONORS

HAEF would like to extend a BIG THANK YOU to each and every donor! There are a lot of names to list individually on this report but know that your generous support is greatly appreciated! We hope that you will continue to support HAEF. Thank you for believing in us and our mission to help young people. It is the start of something different in our community.

Thanks to the City of Maplewood for granting us with a grant in 2013. Your grant made a world of difference as we support our students and had a profound impact on our work and reputation.

TO OUR JUGES—thank you for serving and bringing integrity to the process:

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Ms. Salina Nou Lee Vang	Ms. True Thao
Ms. Joy Thao, MBA	Ms. Lia Vang
Nkauj Hmoob Ywj Pheej	All others...