Minutes

1. Get-To-Know Members Potluck

- Date: Friday, November 21st
- Time: 7:00PM
- Place: Stevens Court (in the process of reserving)

There will be games, music, dancing, and FOOD! Bring your favorite dish! Invite your friends! Hope to see you there!

Who is bringing what so far:

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<td>1) Betty (tuna casserole)</td>
<td>1) Jake (cream puffs)</td>
<td>1) Cindy (drinks)</td>
<td>1) Tony (plates, forks, spoons)</td>
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<td>2) Chhaian (sushi)</td>
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<td>3) Tony (rice)</td>
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<td>3) Sovanny (surprise!)</td>
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<td>4) Danny (hum bows or ?)</td>
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<td>5) Veda (fried chicken)</td>
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MUSIC: we need someone to bring a cd player

GAMES: we need games that can be played by a lot of people ie. Cranium, Taboo

2. Snowboarding

- Place: The Summit at Snoqualmie
- Date: January 18th (Sunday) RSVP ASAP to Ly (ltok@u.washington.edu)

It doesn’t matter if you’re an expert or if you’ve never even touched a snowboard before. There’s a group discount if we get more than 20 people to go, so invite all of your friends! You can rent equipment either at REI or at The Summit for around $30. We suggest renting at The Summit because it’s easier.

Group lift tickets are $35 from 9am-5pm (compared to regular price $42).

3. Traditional Laotian Dance Class

- Time: Sundays 12PM  (CANCELLED for 11/16 will resume 11/23)
- Place: ECC Black Room

It’s not too late to join in on the fun! We’re especially looking for guys! Classes are taught by Pom Khampradith. We are practicing for various performances throughout the year and particularly the LSA Lao New Year Celebration.

Thank you all for attending the LSA meeting and we hope to see you next time!
5. **LSA New Year**
   - Date: HUB East ballroom reserved April 17th. Waiting for confirmation of date
   - Funding from ECC/OMA, SAUF
     - Proposal writing committee so far: Veda, Tony, Sovanny

Please sign up for committees!
1) Decorations
2) Food
3) Stage Managers
4) Skits
5) Scholarship

1. **Prince Nithakhong Somsanith** Art Show
   - WHEN: Sunday, January 11th from 2PM to 6PM
   - WHERE: Bellevue City Hall
   - A reception, a demonstration of the gold thread embroidery by the artist himself, some folk dance performances, and a baci soukhouane ceremony to welcome the year 2004. The reception is open to the public and is free of charge.

7. **Possible Lao Symposium (August 2004)**
   - Pom brought up the idea of having a Lao symposium/conference co-sponsored by LYFS and LSA
   - The purpose of this symposium is to encourage higher education among Lao students. Professionals in the Lao community would be invited to speak on a panel and share their insight and experiences on college and careers. There would also be many other activities, such as a reception, performances, etc. If we were going to do this, we would need to work on funding and finding a venue on campus.

9. **Newsletter**
   Officers: Please submit your bios to Tony by Friday (11/21)
   Ideas for articles:
   - Activities for this year
   - Talk about last year’s new year (how it went) and the one we’re planning for this year
   - Interview people that play an important role in the Lao community

10. **Other comments, questions, concerns**
    - We will try having meetings earlier in the week and at an earlier time so that more people can attend. Someone brought up the possibility of having general meetings on Sundays. How many of you would want to have meetings on Sundays?

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