



THE VIETNAMESE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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IT'S SPOOKY SEASON, VSA! ARE YOU ON SIDE **TRICK OR TREAT?**

VSA! Let's rock and rumble because we are **at 100% vaccination status!** What a great achievement to have as an organization. We cannot be more ecstatic to have a member base with a strong focus on getting vaccinated to combat this pandemic. Promoting health and wellbeing among all our peers is something that you should take pride in! Woo!

To celebrate, VSA is considering getting 150 enamel pins for the 131 members who submitted their vaccination cards. Contact a member of the Media Team if you have any ideas on what you want our lapel pins to be!





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ACE'S



MUC GAME



PHOTO RECAP

Attendance: 65 VSA Members

Thank you to everyone who came out to play Vietnamese Childhood games at ACE's Muc Game last Friday! Here are some highlights from the event:

- The **Blue Crabs** took gold when Alex rolled 3 times in a row!
- **Daniel, Hajune, and Hamza** took a 3-way win with VSA's Lotto game, but Hajune took the W in their Rock, Paper, Scissors Battle.
- Did you find someone you want to form a connection with? VSA's Anh Chi Em Applications open **October 22nd** (Today!) and our annual ACE Reveal will be scheduled for **November 10th**!





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LOTUS UNDER THE LIGHTS COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marketing

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Nguyen-Anh Le
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Bin Tran

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Nguyen*

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Teresa Nguyen
Linh Thach
Patrick Nguyen

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Clarisse Nacilla
Esther Pham
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Matthew Do

Johnny Nguyen
Ben Runyan
Andrew Vo
Marshall Wu



Give a round of applause to these UAB and Auburn VSA Members who applied to be in one of our Lotus under the Lights Committees. Out of the 60 applications we received, these were the ones who were selected! Offer them a words of congratulations in the GroupMe!

Culture Corner

Wanna hear something spooky? For generations, Vietnamese children played a game called pallbearing, also known in the US, as the "finger lift challenge." Is this game supported by plain physics? Or is there something supernatural happening? They start the ritual by someone laying down with a towel over their face. People gather around and use one finger to lift the person. The person standing at the head would then ask the person to his or her right: "What are you doing?" to which the other would reply, "I'm pallbearing." They repeat this process, then lift up the person laying down. The wandering ghosts would help support lifting the body. Many say that this game is dangerous because the ghost might following the body; leading to misfortune and a short lifespan. Creepy!!



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OKTOBER FEST

Attendance: 80 VSA Members

Thank you to everyone who stopped by our collaboration with UAB Dining! We certainly had fun handing out free grass jelly drinks, soymilk cans, and VSA stickers!

Here are some photos to help celebrate the occasion.

Date: October 12th, 2021

Did you win any fun prizes or play in any of UAB Dining's games? It was quite the hoot :)





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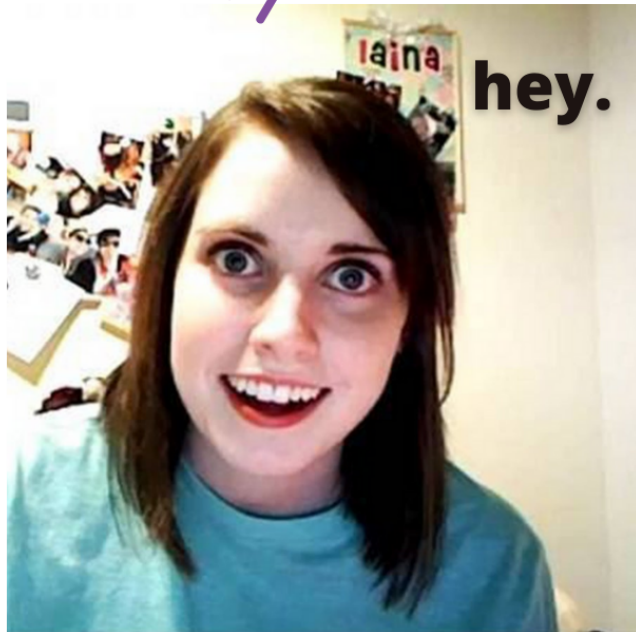
UPCOMING VSA MEMBER birthdays

Go wish these members a happy birthday! All birthdays were collected during the roster check! If you want your birthday to be featured, please dm us on Instagram at **uabvsa**.

- ♥ 10/20: Jackie Dang
- ♥ 10/21: Bin Tran
- ♥ 10/23: Stephanie Santos
- ♥ 10/24: Kimmy Chieh
- ♥ 10/24: Sofia de los Santos Gallegos
- ♥ 10/25: Anne Liu
- ♥ 10/27: Jaeyoung Lee
- ♥ 11/01: Arshnoor Grewal

GO WISH SOFIA AND KIMMY A
HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN THE GROUPME!

Crusty Comics



GET EXCITED AND SPOOKED VSA!

Our annual pumpkin painting and costume party is back and better than ever! At 5 Nights at VSA, we will be painting pumpkins and eating some yummy candies. RSVP to get your free pumpkin when the Form launches.

We can't wait to see you all there. The best costume gets B-B-B-B-BRAGGING RIGHTS!
Let's get it.

Location: On the Green (TBA on IG and GM)

Date: October 28th at 7 PM CST

Please RSVP to get your free pumpkin. UABVSA Fundraising Team will have a photo booth set up and you can purchase polaroid pictures at **\$1 each**.