

Big News From Ligmincha

Letter From the Editors

Dear Friends,

This December issue of Voice of Clear Light features some very special announcements and important news items that we don't want anyone to miss. Some are listed in this letter, some are described in more detail elsewhere in this issue.

First, don't miss the live webcasts tomorrow and on New Year's Day with Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche (see below). Rinpoche's letter to the sangha in this issue gives some surprising personal news from him and his family. Also in this issue: an update with the latest news from Three Doors Academy; plus announcements about help-wanted positions at Ligmincha Institute, new international Website plans, and a brief film clip not to be missed! Be sure to see the excerpt from Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche's beautiful new book Tibetan Yogas of Body, Speech and Mind , which heads this issue.

More big news: 2012 marks Ligmincha Institute's 20th anniversary! A number of very special events are being planned throughout 2012 at Serenity Ridge. Stay tuned for more plans.

Here are some important upcoming events — be sure to mark your calendars:

- On Wednesday, Dec. 14, 2011, 7-8:30 p.m. Eastern Time there will be a free live webcast with Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche on 'Unleashing Your Creative Energy.' This will be broadcast during a free public talk offered in partnership with Unity Church, Charlottesville. More details / enter the broadcast site >
- On New Year's Day (Jan. 1, 3:30 p.m. Eastern Time), Tenzin Rinpoche will give another live webcast for our Internet audience only. He will deliver a special message for the New Year,

and may also guide a meditation practice.

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Live translation into French as well as Spanish may be available via links on the broadcast page.

More details / enter the broadcast site >

- **Beginning Jan. 14, 2012**, Rinpoche will host a three-week interactive online course on "Awakening the Sacred Body." For more information visit: http://www.glidewing.com/
- **On Jan. 16, 2012**, registration will be open for the 20th Annual Summer Retreat. The dates of the 2012 retreat are June 24 through July 20. Rinpoche will be teaching on "A View From the Heart: Purifying Your Vision Through the Practice of the Six Lamps (Part 2)." Come for one, two, or all three weeks. No prerequisite, newcomers welcome. Beginning Jan. 16, visit Ligmincha.org

to learn more or register.

- **During the month of January**, *Tricycle Magazine* has invited Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche to host a book-club discussion on *Tricy cle's*

Website related to his latest book,

Tibetan Yogas of Body, Speech and Mind.

For updates on this free month-long event,

visit Tricycle's website >

You can purchase the book in advance from our

Tibet Shop >

- **On Feb. 18-19, 2012**, there will be a one-and-a-half-day conference at Serenity Ridge on 'New Dialogues Between Buddhism and Science' with Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche and a panel of academic presenters.

 Learn more >
- **On Feb. 25, 2012**, Ligmincha Institute and Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche will host a Tibetan New Year (Losar) celebration at Serenity Ridge! As soon as details are available, they will be posted at <u>Ligmincha.org</u>
- **Beginning in May 2012**, Ligmincha will be offering an exciting new training program in Soul and Life Force Retrieval. This will be a two-year-certificate program with training sessions offered at Serenity Ridge in the spring and fall of 2012 and 2013.

 Learn more and apply for the program now >
- On Oct. 13 Nov. 9, 2012, the Third International Lishu Retreat will be held near Dehradun, India. His Holiness Lungtok Tenpai Nyima Rinpoche and Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche will be among those officiating during this month of study and practice. You can attend for two weeks or for the entire month.

 Learn more >
 - Rinpoche's 2012 worldwide schedule is now up on Ligmincha's website >

Lots of news and lots to be thankful for this season. In 2012, Jeff and I will be celebrating 10 years as editors of *VOCL*! Yay, and thanks to all those who help make *VOCL* happen, especially Polly Turner, Dave Liden, Sue Davis-Dill, and all the wonderful others whose voices from the heart inspire us, especially our teacher Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche.

In Bon,

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