



Letter from the Editors

Happy Losar! Tashi Delek!

Dear Friends,

We celebrate the Tibetan New Year this month with gratefulness and prayer. And we are excited to note that this year is the 20th anniversary of Ligmincha Institute!

This issue of *Voice of Clear Light* includes an excerpt from Rinpoche's moving Jan. 1, 2012, webcast with advice for the new year. In "Sangha Sharing," Lourdes Hinojosa talks about her live translation of Rinpoche's webcast teachings into Spanish. A slideshow features photos from Rinpoche's recent travels and retreats in Columbia, Chile, Peru and Virginia. The issue also includes an announcement of a paid position available at Ligmincha, as well as highlights of some exciting upcoming events.

Some signs of the great energy being generated this anniversary year are the many wonderful new retreats and events coming up at Ligmincha! See the listing of retreats at Serenity Ridge [in this issue](#)

. For local events you can [visit Ligmincha's website](#)

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Take note of these special events:

- **Losar (Tibetan New Year). On Saturday, Feb. 25**, we celebrate Tibetan New Year at Serenity Ridge with a one-day event with Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche. From 10–11 a.m., Rinpoche will lead prayers in the gompas; from 11 a.m.–12 noon, we will raise prayer flags (available for purchase in our store from 9:15–9:45 a.m.); and at noon we will celebrate with a potluck lunch in the dining room. The Year of the Water Dragon began Feb. 22, 2012. Happy

Losar and Tashi Delek (blessings and good luck)!

- **Geshe Tenzin Drukdam's visit to Ligmincha.** Geshe Drukdam, a Bon Buddhist scholar from Kham, Tibet, is with us with us off and on through the end of March. He is available by appointment for consultations and rituals. On

Saturday, March 17

, from 10 a.m.– 4 p.m., Geshe Drukdam will teach us how to create a wealth vase and will perform an associated prosperity ritual (details to come).

[Learn more](#)

You can join us from anywhere by Internet for Tenzin Rinpoche's **brand-new four-week interactive online course in Dream Yoga that begins March 3.**

Also,

Live webcasts in April

will be broadcast for the first time from the teaching hall at Serenity Ridge, as well as during a free public talk in Charlottesville. Details about these teachings and other special online offerings are

[in this issue](#)

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In Bon,

Aline and Jeff Fisher