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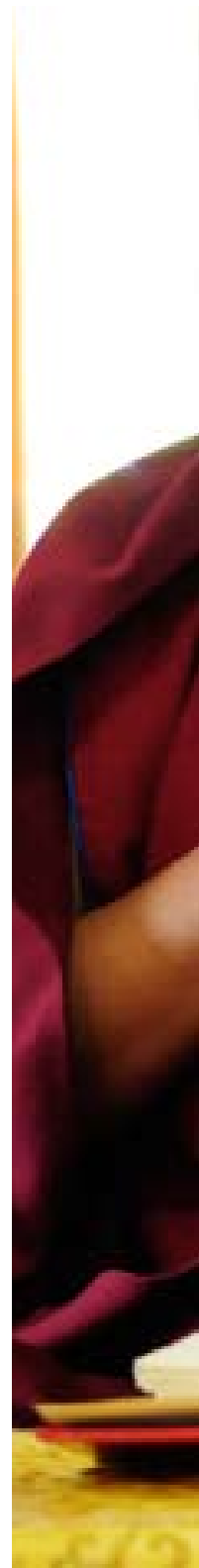


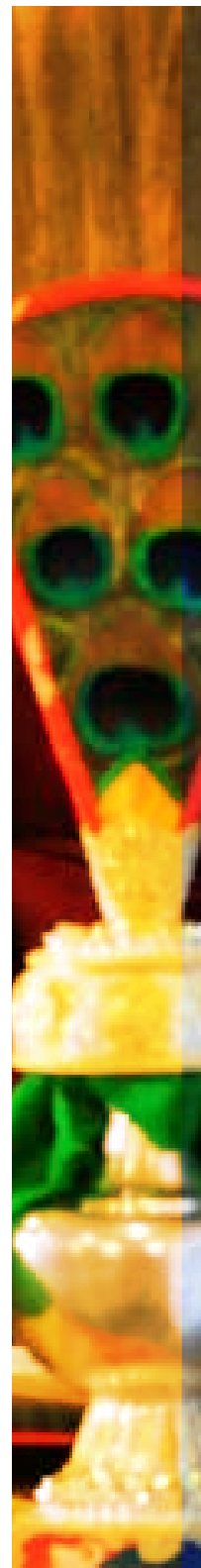
SPRING IN THE VALLEY

The mild days of winter have given way to the heat of spring in the Kangra Valley. As the monks begin a new school year, they look forward to the cool mornings and balmy nights. Their schedule remains much the same as last year; the younger monks continue to learn grammar and memorize the monastery prayers while the older monks have begun to study logic and Patrul Rinpoche's guide to the preliminary practices, *Words of My Perfect Teacher*.

Meanwhile, Rinpoche continues to rest and relax as our two khenpos, our lobpon and our grammar teacher oversee the monks' education. We hope that Rinpoche's health continues to improve so that He may soon travel to see His students overseas.

With this season's newsletter we invite you to share in the many exciting events that have transpired in the last three months, including Tulku Urgyen's first trip abroad and Dilgo Khyentse Rinpoche Yangsi's visit to Lhundrub Chime Gatsal Ling! As always, thanks for your support!





Cover:

(L) URGYEN DRIME CALLS THE MONKS TO PRAYER (R) THUBTEN OZER INVOKES THE BUDDHAS

Page One:

(UL) GARJE KHAMTRUL RINPOCHE, SMILING ON THE TEMPLE VERANDAH

(LL) THEKCHOK TENZIN PRAYING

(LR) JAMYANG MONLAM LEADING THE CHANT

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LOBPON SAMTEN GYATSO SERVING AS VAJRA MASTER DURING A VAJRASATTVA PUJA





SPRING CLEANING

Every Saturday after class, the monks sweep, scrub, and polish the temple and monastery grounds. Jangchub Gyaltzen readies butter lamps for burning. Tenpa Gyatso washes his classroom's windows.





THE OMNISCIENT LONGCHENPA

**‘Glorious clouds of benefit and bliss
With their showers of wisdom and rains of dharma
Fall cleanly on those with leisure and opportunity
So joyfully and sincerely apply yourself to the teachings!’**





TULKU URGYEN IN TAIWAN

Tulku Urgyen and his tutor, Lama Palchen Lhundrub, spent the month of May in Taiwan, the guests of Khandroma and our center in Hsinchu. Between Mandarin classes and swimming lessons, Tulku had a chance to see some of the island's treasures. (L) Hsinchu Khandroma, Tulku Urgyen and Palchen Lhundrub at the Palace Museum. (C) Tulku and Khandroma's son, Simon. (R) Tulku and Tsering Dorje, who translated Rinpoche's biography into Chinese, at the Taipei Zoo.





KHYENTSE YANGSI RINPOCHE IN DHARAMSALA

2010 marks the 100th anniversary of Dilgo Khyentse Rinpoche's birth. To celebrate, his incarnation, Ugyen Tenzin Jigme Lhundrup, will teach in many countries around the world. Before setting out, Yangsi Rinpoche came to Dharamsala to see His Holiness the Dalai Lama. (Above) Garje Khamtrul Rinpoche, Shechen Rabjam Rinpoche, and Yangsi Rinpoche at Lhundrub Chime Gatsal Ling. (R) Yangsi Rinpoche. Over the last three months, we were also honored to host visits by Kirti Choje Rinpoche of Kirti Monastery and Gosok Rinpoche of Sera Monastery.

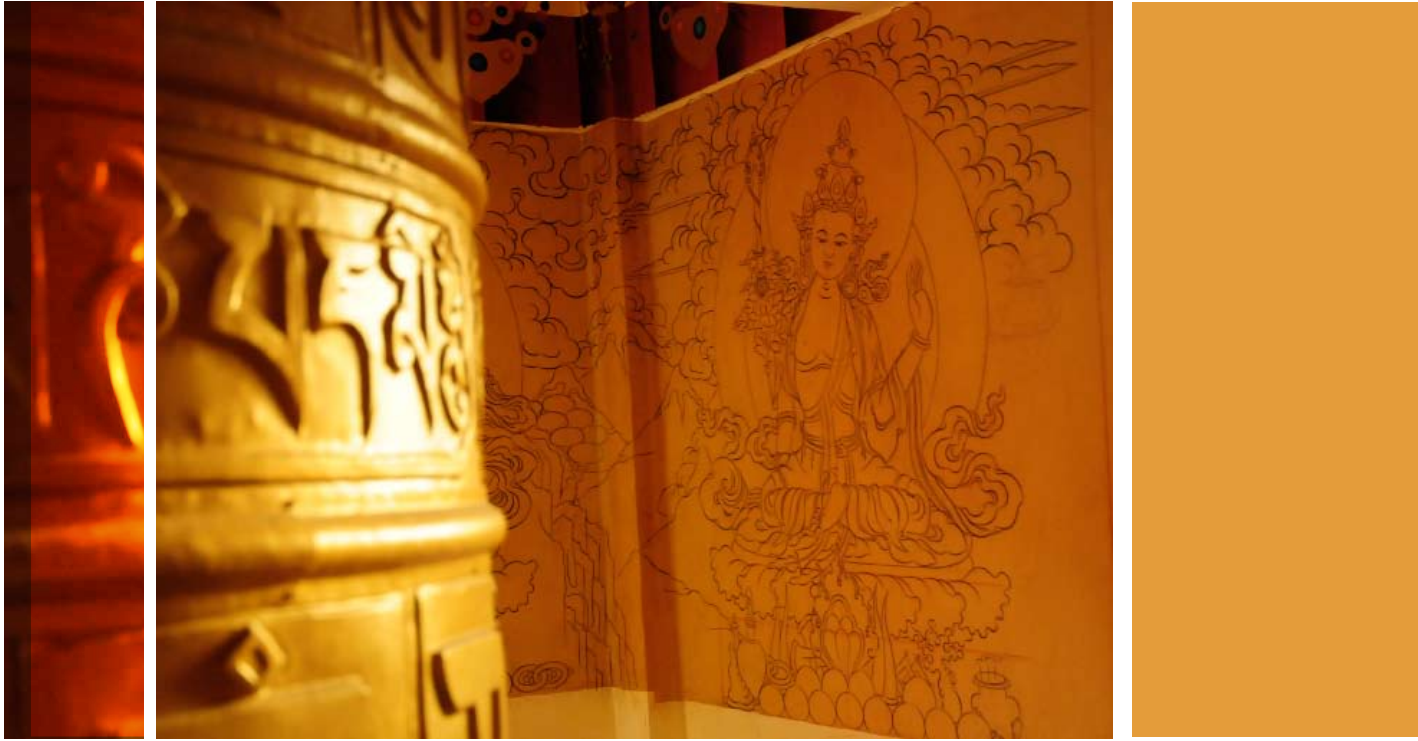




2009 ACADEMIC AWARDS CEREMONY

Before the start of the 2010 school year, all the monks, teachers and lamas gathered together to honor our outstanding academic performers and have a bit of fun. (L) Back row - Khenpo Choeying, Khenpo Thubten Tharchin, Khamtrul Rinpoche, Lobpon Samten Gyatso, Gen Tenzin Jampel. Middle row - Zangpo Drakpa, Jamyang Yeshe, Jamyang Monlam, Sherab Tharchin, & Lungtok Tenzin. Front row - Tsultrim Gyatso, Urgyen Drime, Thubten Ozer, & Jamyang Tashi. (C) Tulku Urgyen, Khamtrul Rinpoche, Khenpo Thubten Tharchin, & Khenpo Choeying look on as (R) the monks try to stomp the balloons tied to one another's legs.





NEW PROJECTS

Above - The Eight Bodhisattvas are being painted on the walls surrounding the Mani Wheel housed beneath the stupa. Below - (L) A new reverse osmosis and UV water filter was installed in the kitchen, ensuring clean drinking and cooking water for the monks. (R) Carpenters started work on the new altar that will be flanked by bookshelves in the basement classroom.

