TSEGYALGAR EAST GAKYIL REPORT TO MEMBERS, MARCH 20

Dear Members of Tsegyalgar East,

Enclosed here is the report from the Gakyil updating you on some of the details of our Community life. We're hoping that you'll read this prior to the Community Meeting and Conversation so that we can spend the time having an open-ended conversation about the future of the Community. Please plan to participate during the March 20th
Community Meeting to offer your thoughts about how we can continue to maintain the high level of online practice engagement in the coming year. And, if you have time and want to make a positive contribution to the Community, please offer to help with the Blue Gakyil functions. And, we want to know what else you need and want from the Community. Is our online presence enough? Do you want to have more in-person practices? We need your input as we work to sustain our Community for the future.

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Section 1. Changes in Gakyil Membership and Corporate Officers

Due to changing life circumstances, both Emily and India are unable to continue on the Blue Gakyil. We are extremely grateful for all their creativity, work and exceptional communication skills, both internally and externally. We continue to be hopeful that

other members will step forward to maintain Blue functions. Section 2 of this report will outline how we will maintain Blue functions on an interim basis.

With Emily's departure we're required to replace her as the Corporate President. Mark will continue as Treasurer and Al will continue as Secretary, which requires being a Massachusetts resident. John will replace Emily as Corporate President.

Section 2. Interim Changes to Manage Blue Gakyil Functions

We are looking for people to sign up for:

Joining the Gakyil as Blue (Communication and Planning)

Event Coordinators - Online and in-person retreats, practices, especially Summer Sangha Retreat and Dance, Dance, Dance

Administrative Duties - (corresponding via email with practitioners and interested people, answering program related questions, directing people to appropriate resources)

Smaller Specific tasks:

- Ganapuja organizer (finding leaders for each practice and coordinating Zoom details for Kundrolling and Tsegyalgar East collective ganapujas)
- **Tech set-up people** (being available for hybrid events in Gonpa that we Zoom with new AV set-up, ie: courses, retreat replays, ganapujas, Khaita
- Social Media Contributor contributing to Facebook posts and sharing, Sangha App.

Section 3. Red Gakyil Report - Proposed Maintenance and Improvement Projects for 2022

Background: The Friends of Red Gakyi (Vern, Jim, John Foster, Efrem, Paula, Marit, Bodhi and David) met with Wayne and John on January 18, 2022 to develop a list of proposed priorities for property maintenance and improvements. Below is a summary of the issues:

I. "MUST-DO" MAINTENANCE PROJECTS

Building and Exterior of the Schoolhouse:

- 1.Scrape and paint all exterior trim, windows and moldings and power wash all molded surfaces. This is a very high priority and given the fact that many contractors are working on 3-6 month advance scheduling we need to seek estimates on this soon. The initial contractor quote for this work is \$45,000, much higher than expected. We're working to find alternatives for doing this work within our budget.
- 2. Conduct annual inspection of **slate roof** and make necessary repairs: \$3000

II. "SHOULD-DO" MAINTENANCE PROJECTS

- 1. **Repair Schoolhouse driveway** entrance and re-pave front parking area. Estimates to be sought after snow season.
- .2. **Repair water supply to Rinpoche's Cabin -** needs new plumbing. Needs cost estimate.

III. "MUST-DO" PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

1. Complete Renovation of Khandroling Bathhouse:

Complete interior renovations including installing corian tops and sinks, paint interior walls, add decorative railing on porch, enclose base with pressure treated lattice work. Install gutters around bathhouse to collect water for watering Stupa gardens. Jim has barrels for the water collection.

Estimated cost: \$1500

2.Improve Water Supply on Khandroling: In order to ensure the availability of water on Upper Khandroling including to supply the bathhouse and cleaning of Universal Mandala we need to install two additional water tanks and pumps. The tanks need to be located in an area that's not highly visible. Costs are currently being researched.

IV. "SHOULD-DO" PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTHS

- **1.Upgrading the Schoolhouse Gompa -** First priority is to unclutter the space by purchasing or building closets to store all the cleaning supplies and miscellaneous materials and purchase cabinets for the coffee area. Estimated cost: \$1000 Repaint the ceiling tiles and frames and install softer LED lighting: \$1000
- **2. Illuminating the Vajra Hall -** In order to allow safe usage of the Vajra Hall at dusk and later, purchase three additional high intensity battery powered construction lights with battery charger. If we positioned one high-intensity light in the four directions on

raised platforms the current cost would be \$529 for each lamp plus two batteries and a charger for each lamp, for a total cost of \$1587.

Other Needs:

- 1. Disposing of Sacred Objects -There's a large amount of teaching material that needs to be respectfully stored so that it can naturally deteriorate. This includes a large and growing amount of obsolete plastic/vinyl teaching material that should not be burned. One alternative would be to construct an enclosed cinder-block structure underneath and to the rear of the Guardian Cabin We can use the fire pit near the guardian cabin to burn torn or damaged practice books and prayer flags.
- 2. Removing and Storing building supplies from Lower Khandroling Barn there's a lot of usable materials that need to be removed and we need to find a place to store them. David has started by moving the remaining roof tiles for the Vajra Hall. He put them inside the garage. There are 140 bundles worth \$100/bundle or \$14000 worth of materials. David has offered to do a trade for other materials in the barn. Since the meeting David has proposed to trade for other materials in the barn in lieu of his payment for services. Red and Yellow both approved the trade.
- 3. Old Church Pews at the Vajra Hall we need to burn the broken ones and have a longer range plan for the others
- **4. Need for New Clothes Dryer in the Schoolhouse -** We're currently investigating the costs for installing a heavy duty commercial dryer in the schoolhouse basement to replace the broken ones.

Other Issues: We need hto establish a small group to once again consider	long term
options for maintaining and preserving the Vajra Hall.	

Section 4. Yellow Gakyil Report -	2022 Budget for	Approval by	Membership,
Current P&L and Balance Sheet			

Documents attached and happy to have a short conversation	n regarding the budget at
the meeting.	

Section 5. Membership Update

as of March 15 2022 – Data reports from Dzogchen.net

TSEGYALGAR - Membership 2022	142
Tsegyalgar	129
Kundrolling (NYC)	16

Tsegy	algar	129
•	ordinary	108
•	ordinary /reduced	11 ***
•	sustaining	19
•	meritorious	2

Kundro	olling (NYC)	16	
•	ordinary	15	
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Comparative Membership 2022 vs 2021

TSEGYALGAR GAR	2022	2021	difference	%
TOTAL	162			
- ordinary	108	197	-68	-34%
- reduced *	11	23	-12	109%
- sustaining	20	16	4	25%
- meritorious	2	4	-2	-50%
*** non-renewed ***	115	55	60	109%

GAR Financials	2022 (Q1)	2021 (Q1)	difference	%
Tsegyalgar	\$23,657.50	\$36,357.27	-\$12,699.77	-34%
members in Q1	126	128	-2	-1%
Kundrolling	\$2,580.04	\$4,693.33	-\$2,113.29	-45%
due to Gar	\$1,419.02	\$2,581.33	-\$1,162.31	

members in Q1 14 25 -11 -44%

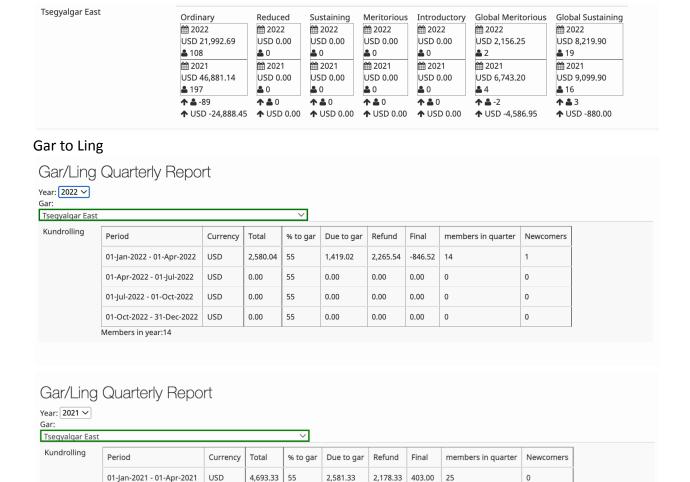
Data from Dzogchen.net

01-Apr-2021 - 01-Jul-2021

01-Jul-2021 - 01-Oct-2021

01-Oct-2021 - 31-Dec-2021

Members in year:52



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484.71

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Section 6. Preliminary Plans for Summer Sangha Celebration

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Dates: Start Friday afternoon July 8th with registration and Welcoming BBQ End: Friday July 15

THEME: Reflections on the 40th Anniversary of Rinpoche's Teaching at Tsegyalgar: Integrating Body, Speech and Mind

Planning Status: Gakyil will convene a meeting of Teachers to develop program and schedule.