

Minutes for Cleveland SCEC meeting on 12/2/07

Present: Sarah Ralston, Anne Warren, Susie Kirchner, Nancy Foth, David Hunter, Tom Ferguson, Michele Keller, Tim Keller, Joe Harper

1. Treasurer Report: Tom Ferguson gave a report based on classes and income from the last six months

Jul 1 of 2	Ven.Thubten Chodron -Teach & donations	\$837.88
Jul 2 of 2	Rinpoche visit & Silent Auction	\$4551.53
Aug 1 of 2	Silent Auction	\$70.00
Aug 2 of 2	Silent Auction	\$220.00
Sep	Art of Living, Silent Auction, Tibetan words & Good Life	\$993.00
Oct	Creating Space, Art of Living, Lam Rim, Med & Good Life	<u>\$850.00</u>

Total **\$8,563.41**

2. Upcoming Events:

Tsongkhapa Day tsoh

December 4, 7-9pm. About nine people came on 12/1 and cleaned up. Steve will have finished set-up by Tuesday morning. Flowers will be delivered Tuesday morning. Emails to go out Sunday night as an announcement.

Holiday Arts and Crafts Sale

-Flyers are out and available; JH store will be open for this event and David will be available for part of this to oversee the store.

Lora's Sale report: The sale raised \$2028.21, \$304.23 to be donated to Jewel Heart. Lora extends thanks for the opportunity and support.

3. Dharma programs update

Anne Warren and Susie Kirchner gave a Dharma Programs update:

In January:

-Gateway class to begin in January, other classes and workshops to follow winter retreat.

-Yamantaka Initiation has been moved to 12/31 tentatively

In February:

-An 8-week Ganden Lha Gyema workshop

-6-session Guru Yoga

-Lama Chopal course

-altar workshop scheduled for January 19th.

-mandala workshop

First Sunday dharma talks will continue.

4. Flower Ordering for upcoming tsohs

Anne suggested that the budget is not meant as a constraint and is therefore flexible. The Sacred Space Coordinator is encouraged to offer suggestions and the budget for flower purchase can be adjusted accordingly.

5. Petty Cash: Tom keeps receipts and when the fund is depleted, it is refilled through donations or requests to Ann Arbor. For reimbursements, take to David, and if he is not available, contact Susan.

6. Snail Mail systems update:

-20 people responded to request continued snail mail

-received \$170 in donations for postage

7. Newsletter:

For January and February, additions are due by the 15th of the month; items to include upcoming events, summary of what has happened; Joe Harper to temporarily take over the newsletter and submit info on past events/summaries as a contribution to the newsletter

-Gateway & altar workshop for January/February

-6-session Guru Yoga

-HHDL to come to Ann Arbor April 19th and 20th (official announcement made through the University of Michigan on December 5). University of Michigan to sponsor an environmental lecture, Jewel Heart to sponsor dharma teaching. Save the date.

8. Reminder:

New keys! The old front door keys will no longer work.

9. Poetry Reading:

-proposed date to occur in February 22 or April (March is out)

-local poet Nin Andrews to attend as featured speaker with open-mic to follow from 7:30-9:30pm. Date and times are still subject to change.

Torchiere lights -- Anne offered to get some of the lights (3 fluorescent torchieres plus some small bulbs)

President's Report (Sarah has to submit to AA before retreat)

Date for next Meeting: Wednesday February 6, 6-7PM