



Happy winter to all our dear friends!

Please note schedule changes at the end of this letter.

Please take a moment to read the following information, at points calling for your reply, to prepare for the 2012 Jewel Heart Winter Retreat. Looking forward to seeing you soon!

REGISTRATION and DEPOSITS

- This note confirms your registration has been received.
- Know anyone not registered and planning to do so? Please ask to contact registration as soon as possible.
- **If you have not yet sent your deposit, you can**
 - send a check to 1129 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48108
 - email registration@jewelheart.org or call 734 994 3387 x 223 to arrange by credit card.

GENERAL TEACHING SCHEDULE

- Registration is on the afternoon Saturday, February 25 and the retreat begins that evening.
- Rimpoche plans to teach twice daily.
- During the Saturday, March 3, morning session Rimpoche will give a Je Tsong Khapa Initiation.
- The retreat closes Sunday, March 4.
- The full schedule can be found at the end of this letter.

READING MATERIAL - Ganden Lha Gyema by Gelek Rimpoche

- You can visit www.jewelheart.org to purchase an electronic version of Rimpoche's Ganden Lha Gyema or write the store@jewelheart.org to order and purchase as hard copy.

ITEMS TO BRING:

- Jewel Heart Prayer Book
- Closeable liquid containers
- Folding table if using a chair (for purchase or rental see STORE below)

TRANSPORTATION and CARPOOLING: PLEASE CARPOOL

Point person is Bob Rickman at bob.rickman@verizon.net or phone 724 809 7533.

Please call or email Bob Rickman and enter "Winter Retreat Carpooling" in the subject line:

1. To offer to carpool or to request daily transportation (from hotel or lodging with someone not attending retreat)
2. Include your name, the hotel/sangha lodging/or your home address with contact information and details of offer/request.
3. If you are offering a ride - how many will fit in your car?
4. Handicap Parking - If you need a handicap space, let us know as soon as possible to allow planning.
5. Please reply between now and February 20th.
6. Please honor Rimpoche's and staff reserved spaces.
7. Please refrain from parking outside designated spaces along the sidewalk - it is a fire lane. Also, do not block the trash area.

SANGHA LODGING

- If you need a space or if you have space or know anyone who might open their home for a guest, please contact Akiko Yamada as soon as possible at yamada.akiko191@gmail.com.

- Note: Many thanks to all who open their homes for Jewel Heart guests. As you know, you are not responsible for your guest's meals or transportation.

BEVERAGES/LUNCH BREAK

- There will be coffee and tea offered throughout each day.
- No meals are included in the retreat.
- Refrigerator space will be available for brown bag meals. Please mark with name and date as space is limited.
- A list of nearby restaurants will be provided at the retreat.

STORE

Contact store@jewelheart.org or ujjenjewelheart@gmail.com or 734 994 3385 or 734 845 7686 to order:

Place orders for Folding Tables by February 20:

- Folding Tables - \$10 - for both rent & purchase. Limited number available.
- Backjacks - \$44.95. Please place order no later than February 15.

2012 JEWEL HEART WINTER RETREAT SCHEDULE (note: subject to change) GANDEN LHA GYEMA and IN PRAISE OF DEPENDENT ORIGINATION

Saturday, February 25

3 – 6pm	Final Registration
7pm	Orientation and Teachings

Sunday, February 26

10am – 1pm	Prayers/Practice/Teaching session
1 – 2:30pm	Lunch period
2:30 – 3:30pm	TBD
3:30 – 4pm	Break
4 – 7pm	Q & A, Teaching Session

Monday, February 27 – Friday, March 2

10am – 1pm	Prayers/Practice/Teaching session
1 – 2:30pm	Lunch period
2:30 – 3:30pm	Discussion Groups
3:30 – 4pm	Break
4 – 7pm	Q & A, Teaching Session

Note: Everyone helps to clear and clean space on Friday, March 2 in prep for Saturday morning initiation.

Saturday, March 3

10am – 1pm	Je Tsong Khapa Initiation
1 – 2:30pm	Lunch period
2:30 – 3:30pm	Tsoh
3:30 – 4pm	Break
4 – 7pm	Q & A, Teaching Session

Sunday, March 4

10 – 11am	Teaching
11am – 1pm	Lunch period
1pm –	Concluding session

If you have further questions, please feel free to contact us at programs@jewelheart.org.