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Friends,

At Gomde Lindholme Hall the spring has arrived - the birds are singing, the snowdrops making way for the carpet of daffodils and the residents here no longer need to sleep in their night caps! Our weekly Tuesday meditation group has begun and, thanks to some local volunteers, work on the garden is in progress!

We are delighted to announce that Phakchok Rinpoche will visit Gomde Lindholme Hall at the end of June and will be here for a week. The programme will include a public talk and a seminar; further details will be announced in the coming weeks. We rejoice at our great good fortune that Phakchok Rinpoche will visit and hope that many of you will be able to visit during Rinpoche's time here.

On a practical level, we have begun repairing one of the barns for occasional use as a meditation hall. This is a big undertaking and with the help of volunteers work has already begun- needless to say we are all developing new skills! As Phakchok Rinpoche will be here in about 12 weeks, we are under some pressure to get the repair of the barn to a point where the barn can be used during his visit. Any one who can help with the construction, can be part of the kitchen support crew and/or offer financial support is most welcomed.

During his visit here in January Chökyi Nyima Rinpoche said this early phase would be the most difficult as we are few people and money is not plentiful, however he likened the activities of our sangha to Guru Rinpoche's activities in Tibet, saying that Gomde UK would quickly become a place where many people would receive teachings and gain great benefit. So, at this time everyone's contribution is most valuable, appreciated and necessary!

Anyone who would like to help with the forthcoming seminar, please contact Paulette at national@gomde.org.uk. We especially need people with expertise in audio recording and someone who would like to help with registration.

We are delighted to announce that since our last news letter more people have joined our group of 'Keepers of the Estate'. The Keepers are people who have committed a monthly contribution to help with the running costs of the house. We are all indebted to this group for, without them, the house could not be sustained. Anyone wishing to join the Keepers in their most generous activity, please contact Paulette national@gomde.org.uk. Places are still available in this very prestigious group!

A reporter from Doncaster Free Press visited Gomde Lindholme Hall last week. Her feature appeared in the newspaper on 18th March. We really enjoyed her visit and hope she will return for a little more meditation practice!

Our wish list remains the same but with some additions and, of course, now our needs are a little more pressing as we have an auspicious visit in the very near future!

with all good wishes in the Dharma
from the team at Gomde Lindholme Hall.

May all being have happiness and the causes of happiness

May they be free from suffering and the causes of suffering

May they never be separated from the supreme happiness free from suffering

May they remain in the boundless equanimity without attachment to relatives nor hatred towards enemies



Wish List

- Volunteers
- Financial contributions
- Commercial kitchen equipment
- wireless microphone and recording equipment
- tractor and trailer

and of course very importantly your GOOD WISHES