



**Tsundue & Tsewang**

6337 Jaguar Drive  
Santa Fe, NM 87507

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Dear Friends and Family,

We are pleased to announce Khenpo Lama Pema Wangdak will be revisiting us in Santa Fe in April of this year. Recently, Lama Pema was bestowed with the 2009 Ellis Island Medal of Honor, which pays tribute to the immigrant experience, individual achievement, which is awarded to U.S. citizens from various ethnic backgrounds that comprise America's unique cultural mosaic. It is recognized by the United States House of Representatives and the Senate, as such the names of all winners are listed in the Congressional Record.

For more than 26 years Lama Pema has been guiding western students, teaching the tenets of Tibetan Buddhism at the Palden Sakya Centers located in New York and New Jersey while also traveling and teaching around the world. His humanitarian efforts include the creation of the first Braille system in the Tibetan language and the Vikramasila Foundation, programs of which include the Pema Ts'al schools in Nepal and India, which foster both spiritual and academic education that is rooted in Tibetan culture ([www.vikramasila.org](http://www.vikramasila.org)).

We are delighted to host an evening benefit dinner for Pema Ts'al Schools and its future endeavors. We hope to garner the seed money for the establishment of a preschool in Tidey, Purang, Tibet. This will immensely benefit the parents to fully prepare their children before enrolling in a formal school which is located outside of the community.

This event is hosted by Santa Fe Friends of Pema Ts'al and all funds will go directly to Vikramasila Foundation.

On the following day, April 17th, Lama Pema will give a teaching on *Enthusiasm* from Shantideva's A Guide to the Bodhisattvas Way of Life. The teaching will be given at the KSK Stupa located on 751 Airport Road ([www.nobletruth.org](http://www.nobletruth.org)).

Best wishes,

Tsundue and Tsewang

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**Location:** Santa Fe Womens Club, 1616 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, NM 87505  
Friday, April 16th, 2010 at 6pm  
**RSVP:** [bhabar.tsewang@gmail.com](mailto:bhabar.tsewang@gmail.com) or Tel: 424-0963

**Program:** 6-6:30 pm Reception  
6:30-7:30 pm Dinner and Lama Pema's presentation  
7:30-8:30 pm Silent and live auction