

Introduction to Buddhism Series

Ten talks designed for beginners Sundays, September 24 – Dec. 3, 2017 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Deer Park Buddhist Center, Oregon, WI www.deerparkcenter.org

September 24 and October 1 Introduction to Buddhism:

With guided meditations Geshe Tenzin Dorjee, Abbot and resident teacher at Deer Park Buddhist Center

October 8 and October 15 Introduction to the Six Perfections:

Generosity, morality, patience, joyous effort, concentration and wisdom Geshe Tenzin Sherab, Deer Park Resident teacher

October 22 Why Buddhism?

Maintaining a positive mind in today's world; Buddhist views on the nature of mind Lhundub Drolma, Deer Park nun. Began studying Tibetan Buddhism with Geshe Sopa Rinpoche 25 years ago; ordained Buddhist nun for 15 years.

October 29

A Buddhist Response to Current Events:

A practical Buddhist toolkit for navigating all the hate, heartbreak, avarice and other problems pervading our culture, the media, and our lives. Lhundub Daychen, a Western Buddhist nun ordained in 1998, has engaged in Buddhist studies and practice for more than 30 years.

November 5 First Noble Truth of Suffering

Lhundup Chöwng, Deer Park resident monk, ordained by Geshe Sopa Rinpoche in 2004.

November 12 2nd Noble Truth of Cause of Suffering:

How to recognize and reduce the destructive emotions which lead to unskillful actions and future suffering.

Ann Chávez, senior student whose studies began with Geshe Sopa Rinpoche 40 years ago and continue today at Deer Park.

November 19 Third Noble Truth of Cessation and Fourth Noble Truth of the Path

Rodney Stevenson, senior student, was professor at UW-Madison, close student of Geshe Sopa since 1982, and student of Lobsang Tenzin, head of Gelug Tibetan Buddhist Order.

December 3 Overview of the Graduated Steps of the Path to Enlightenment:

Review of materials presented earlier in this series based on the *Foundation of Good Qualities* prayer recited before Sunday teachings at Deer Park. Frank Barone, senior student still considering himself a beginner, has studied with Geshe Sopa Rinpoche for more than 40 years.