

faxable form
to ARI BHÖD registrar

TEHACHAPI, CALIFORNIA
July 4-9, 2012



TAGSHAM YESHE TSOGYAL RETREAT REGISTRATION

Name _____ Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

email _____ Phone (work) _____ Phone (home) _____

Important: your space will be reserved once you receive an email confirming the receipt of your completed registration form and registration deposit.

Please return this form to: Ari Bhöd, 75 S. Grand Avenue, Ste. 217, Pasadena, CA 91105 or fax to (626) 564-0701.

The non-refundable deposit is in the amount of: 50% deposit/cancellation fee due at the time of registration (Tuesday, June 26).

The registration deadline is Tuesday, June 26.

Payment Information

Would you like to make a donation towards daily Tsog Offerings, shrine offerings, or butterlamps?

Dedication _____

		Donation Amount	\$
<input type="radio"/>	Entire Retreat, July 4-9 Non-member \$750 Member \$675 Retreat price includes 3 meals and lodging	<input type="radio"/>	Empowerment only, July 4 \$75
<input type="radio"/>	Daily Retreat Rate** Non-member \$135 Member \$121	<input type="radio"/>	Daily Sleep-Over Rate** \$25
<input type="radio"/>	July 4 \$135 / \$121	<input type="radio"/>	July 4 \$25
<input type="radio"/>	July 5 \$135 / \$121	<input type="radio"/>	July 5 \$25
<input type="radio"/>	July 6 \$135 / \$121	<input type="radio"/>	July 6 \$25
<input type="radio"/>	July 7 \$135 / \$121	<input type="radio"/>	July 7 \$25
<input type="radio"/>	July 8 (Fire Puja) \$135 / \$121	<input type="radio"/>	July 8 \$25
<input type="radio"/>	July 9 (Fire Puja) \$135 / \$121	<input type="radio"/>	July 9 \$25
		Total Paid	\$

**Partial attendance is by permission only and no shuttle service will be available

Please plan accordingly for offerings to the lamas at the end of the teaching, as change may not be available on site.

Cash Check # _____ Received by _____

VISA AND MASTERCARD PAYMENTS:

Card Type: Visa Mastercard Discover _____ Credit Card Number _____

Name on Card _____ V Code * _____ Exp. Date _____ / _____

*V code = Verification Value. This is a three digit code that can be found in the signature box on the reverse of your credit card. The three digits will follow the 16 digit card number printed in the box.

State the amount that is to be charged to your credit card \$ _____



Payment Information, continued

Billing address (if different than the home address):

Name _____ Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

I authorize Ari Bhöd, the American Foundation for Tibetan Cultural Preservation, to charge my credit card for the amount listed above. There is a 50% deposit / cancellation fee due at the time of registration (Tuesday, June 26). This deposit is non-refundable.

Authorizing Signature X _____ Date _____

You may also choose to pay with a credit card by going to our Yeshe Tsogyal registration page:

<http://aribhod.org/events/tenth-annual-tagsham-yeshe-tsogyal-retreat-empowerment/>

Emergency Contact

Name _____ Phone _____ Relationship _____

Accommodations

Are you? Male Female

Does anything preclude you from being in a mixed-gender room? Yes No

Roommate preference

Accommodation preference Camping Dormitory

Are you a vegetarian? Yes No

Do you have any dietary restrictions? Yes No
Please list

Do you have any medical needs or mobility restrictions/food allergies? Yes No

Please provide any information that will assist in accommodation assignment.

Do you have any health conditions that we should be aware of? Yes No

Are you taking any psychiatric medication? Yes No

If yes, please list

Release and Waiver

Welcome to Ari Bhöd, The American Foundation For Tibetan Cultural Preservation, Tehachapi. Ari Bhöd is a non-profit foundation dedicated to preserving the sacred cultural heritage of Tibet. Ari Bhöd was founded by the Venerable Lama Chodak Gyatso and friends to honor a deep commitment to preserve the ancient Vajrayana teachings from both a practice and academic perspective. It is our goal to create a living storehouse of ancient treasures, preserved intact, maintained and practiced. Most of our work is done by volunteer staff, which includes the ongoing renovation and building of the retreat center. While we have all come to Ari Bhöd Tehachapi to receive blessings and accumulate virtue, we request that your actions of body speech and mind be consistent with the Six Perfections. To help fulfill Ari Bhöd's aspirations, we ask that all guests observe the following guidelines.

TOBACCO AND DRUGS

Tobacco products of any kind (including chew), smoking of any kind, or illegal drugs are forbidden on the land.

SAFETY

As our renovation and development continues, there will be periods of heavy equipment use, and there will be tools and other equipment around the property. While you are welcome to explore the property, much of our land is undeveloped, and there may be crevasses and similar hazardous conditions on the property that we are not aware of. We are surrounded by forest, and various species of wild animals, including bears, mountain lions, deer, raccoon, rattlesnakes, ticks that carry lyme disease and spiders live on or near our land. There is an unfilled pool next to the Shower House and access is unrestricted. Finally, do not drink water from the stream. Please be mindful during your stay at Ari Bhöd, taking the necessary precautions to avert accidents or mishaps.

CHILDREN

We ask that parents who bring their children to Ari Bhöd take full responsibility for their welfare. Children must be supervised at all times. Ari Bhöd will not be able to provide child-care facilities or services at this time. If you are participating in a retreat, we suggest that you arrange for a full-time child-care provider to be with your child at all times. Children are not permitted in the kitchen or workshop areas.

HEALTH CARE

While there will be a registered nurse on the premises at all times during the retreat, the nearest health care facility is 4 miles away in the town of Tehachapi. We have various first aid supplies, but do not have our own medical facility. Sometimes visitors with medical or alternative health care training may offer help or advice. If you choose to accept their help, please understand that they are acting entirely on their own initiative and not on behalf of, or under the direction of, Ari Bhöd.

MAINTENANCE

While you are here, we ask that you help us maintain the sanctity of the environment as a pure land. If you see trash on the ground, please pick it up and place it in the nearest trash receptacle. Your assigned area is also your responsibility to maintain while you are here. It is important you do not store food in your living area as this will draw animals. We appreciate your effort to help keep Ari Bhöd pure and clean.

KITCHEN AND DINING HALL

No one is permitted in the kitchen unless authorized to be there by a Retreat Director or Head Cook on duty. No kitchen utensils or equipment should be taken out of the kitchen without the approval of the Head Cook. Due to the danger of wild animals, no food should be stored in any other area of the camp. We will provide a storage area for those who have special dietary requirements and need to bring their own food, or snacks in general. Be sure these are put in a small, marked package with your name on it.

SEPTIC SYSTEM

Only toilet paper made specifically for septic systems may be flushed down the toilet. Please place all sanitary items in the trash receptacles provided in each bathroom. Please do not flush sanitary items down the toilet, as this could permanently damage the septic system.

USE OF THE SHRINE ROOM

The shrine room is always open to anyone for meditation practice. Please turn off the lights if you are the last one to leave. It is important to maintain an attitude of respect and decorum in the shrine room. This includes sitting cross-legged or with your legs folded under you to one side, and in all cases with your feet pointed away from the lama or the shrine. Do not step over meditation benches, texts, holy objects, or fellow practitioners. Children are welcome in the shrine room as long as they are not noisy and don't run around. They should sit with you and may occupy themselves with a quiet toy or book. This also applies when the shrine room is not occupied, as it is a sacred place of practice.

FIRE HAZARDS

Please be mindful of potential fire hazards. While the climate may be wet, fire is a very serious issue. Please do not burn incense or candles. Outside camp fires are only allowed in amphitheater and with the permission of the Camp Director. Cutting down of trees for any reason without authorization is not allowed.

ENERGY CONSERVATION

Please be mindful about energy conservation by turning out the lights when you leave the room.

LAMAS' RESIDENCE

The Lama housing area is off limits to all residents, unless authorized by the Retreat Director.

PHONE

No one is allowed to make long distance phone calls on the Ari Bhöd phone. Only Tehachapi area calls are local.

Voluntary Participation

I acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate in the event described on page one of this form, at the premises of Ari Bhöd, located at 16175 Paradise Valley Road, Tehachapi, California.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK

I am aware that participating in this event may involve strenuous physical activities such as work meditation, as well as risks associated with hiking in a rural setting, including contact with poison oak and wildlife. I am also aware that this is an intensive meditation retreat and that participants in such retreats may experience intense and unusual psychological, spiritual and/or physical state of mind and body arising from meditation and associated activities. I am voluntarily participating in these activities with full knowledge of the risks involved, and hereby agree to accept any and all risks of harm that may result from these activities. If you are under psychiatric care, please consult with your health care provider before attending this retreat.

RELEASE

In consideration for being permitted by Ari Bhöd or one of its affiliates to participate in this retreat and use their facilities, I hereby assume all risks in connection with my participation in this event for any harm, injury or damage that may befall me or my property, including all risks connected herewith, whether foreseen or unforeseen. I further agree to completely release, discharge and hold harmless Ari Bhöd, T'hondup Ling, Chagdud Gonpa Foundation, its affiliates, employees agents or volunteers from any claim, demand or lawsuit for personal injury, property loss or damage, or wrongful death, by me, my family, estate, heirs, or assigns arising out of my participation in the retreat, my presence at the Center, or during my travel to or from the Center, including both claims arising during the activity and after it.

I am over the age of eighteen and legally competent to execute this Waiver and Release of liability. I understand that the terms herein are contractual and nor a mere recital, that this document is legally binding, and that I have pressed the "Submit" button on the Registration Form on my own free will. **I HAVE FULLY READ AND INFORMED MYSELF OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE, AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK BY READING IT BEFORE I SIGN BELOW ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY HEIRS.**

Signed

Date

Print name