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Pero

📅 Jul 3 2007, 03:46 PM

Post #21



Junior Contributor



Group: Members
Posts: 476
Joined: 13-February 06
From: Slovenia
Member No.: 11,523

QUOTE(J.Khedrup @ Jul 3 2007, 04:39 AM)

The retreat land and house are both impressive (from the material point-of-view). Is he a trust fund baby or are people donating such crazy amounts so as to facilitate the purchase of such a property?



Yeah, that place looked very beautiful. Too bad...

NamaRupa

Jul 4 2007, 04:57 AM

Post #22



Just Looking

Group: Members
Posts: 76
Joined: 9-September 06
Member No.: 15,255

QUOTE(Shabkar @ Jul 3 2007, 09:01 PM)

This thread is even more disgraceful than the other one turned out to be.



All very well, but how would you then deal with this situation? What would you do if you lived in an area where the **only** active centres under a Buddhist banner are the NKT and Edward Penney's new age 'monastery'? How would you react if the education authorities in your area invited either of these two groups to introduce Buddhism in the local schools?

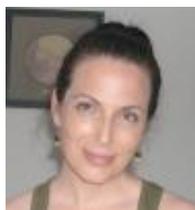
Of course I can go for teachings elsewhere, it's not my problem...but I still feel some sort of responsibility to the local community, and I still think that the local people who are interested in Buddhism ought to be informed and guarded against being drawn into any of those cults. Surely they deserve a better choice.

So do any of you have any constructive, practical suggestions?

Red_dust

Jul 4 2007, 06:00 AM

Post #23



Librarian

Moderator

Group: Tibetan Buddhism
Moderator
Posts: 3,626
Joined: 15-December 04
Member No.: 5,161

Everyone concerned with Pine Forest Dharma Center:

I will be shutting this thread down and it can be used for reference regarding Pine Forest Faqs. Any other threads started regarding Pine Forest will be merged with this thread so we can keep the information up to date.

With metta



Lavender

Jul 5 2007, 04:27 AM

Post #24

Just Looking



Group: Members
 Posts: 10
 Joined: 31-May 07
 Member No.: 21,806

<http://www.buddhistchannel.tv/index.php?id=70,4425,0,0,1,0>

It would appear (see above link to Buddhist Channel) that Edo Shonin's Pine Forest Sangha web-site consists mainly of plagiarised material. Nowhere does he acknowledge any of his sources - he passes all the material off as his own. I have never seen such blatant plagiarism on such a scale. Does anyone know anything about copyright law?

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QUOTE REPLY

ben oloughlin

Jul 5 2007, 07:47 AM

Post #25



Librarian

Moderator

Group: Theravada
 Moderator
 Posts: 1,908
 Joined: 22-August 06
 From: Victoria, Australia
 Member No.: 14,900

Dear all

Edo Shonin is in the UK so the jurisdiction will be the appropriate Copyright Laws in the United Kingdom. In situations like these, it is the copyright owner/s who launches a civil suit to sue for damages.

Whether or not a case will be brought against Penney for being in breach of copyright is now academic. The damage to Penney and his operation from the widely reported revelation of plagiarism may indeed be catastrophic.
 Kind regards

Ben

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QUOTE REPLY

Lavender

Yesterday, 02:09 AM

Post #26

Just Looking



Group: Members
 Posts: 10
 Joined: 31-May 07
 Member No.: 21,806

<http://www.buddhistchannel.tv/index.php?id=70,4425,0,0,1,>

I hope the young "disciple" of Edo Shonin, "Brother William", gets to read the above article on The Buddhist Channel. He will realise that he has been duped.

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QUOTE REPLY

Oaktree

Yesterday, 03:56 AM

Post #27

<http://www.buddhistchannel.tv/index.php?id=70,4425,0,0,1,0>

Just Looking



Group: Members

Posts: 1

Joined: Yesterday, 03:46 AM

Member No.: 22,848

I was horrified to read this article, this sort of thing gives Buddhism a dreadful reputation. This "Edo Shonin" is doing Buddhism a lot of harm.

This post has been edited by **Oaktree**: Yesterday, 03:57 AM

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QUOTE REPLY

Lavender

Today, 01:31 AM

Post #28

Just Looking



Group: Members

Posts: 10

Joined: 31-May 07

Member No.: 21,806

The plagiarism by Edo Shonin (Edward Penney) on his Pine Forest Sangha web-site has recently been exposed on The Buddhist Channel (www.buddhistchannel.tv).

Apparently the plagiarism is not limited to his web-site.

One of the authors whose work Penney has plagiarised is the Venerable Kobutsu Malone Osho (a senior American Rinzai Priest).

Below is a recent letter (5th July) from the senior Priest to Edward Penney:

Open letter to Edward Penney :

It has come to my attention that in 2006, you distributed via email a document file named: "Simple Liturgy.doc" containing text you entitled "Simple Liturgy"

Let me make things crystal clear, Penney –The liturgy you copied and distributed to others contains original works by one of my senior students and myself. The organization I founded holds a copyright on that material. It was copied from one of my websites: <http://www.crazyheart.org/library-liturgy.html> It was clearly marked: "© Copyright 2005 - All Rights Reserved - Wildflower Sangha" I don't take kindly to my work being copied, re-titled and distributed without my consent.

I have, in addition, discovered that all thirty one of your so-called "writings" we have been provided with are nothing but assemblages of other people's work. I am in contact with another author whose work you also "appropriated," he is not pleased either.

Your document "November Study Group Teaching -- Impermanence and Meditation" for example, is by actual word count, 96.5% plagiarized material. Out of 12,820 total words, 12,377 words were positively identified as belonging to cited documents published by others. Only 443 words were not matched. Your document "March Teaching.doc" is by actual word count 74.5% plagiarized material. Out of 2,773 words total, 2,067 words were positively identified as belonging to cited sources published by others. Only 706 words were not matched to published material.

Your "Anapanasati Sutra.doc" presents the same issues with plagiarism. In addition you have implanted several blatant references to your longing for William Van Gordon within the text. You have a problem, Eddie... As I said in my earlier correspondence, "...you don't have the first clue as to whom you are dealing with."

You have yet to answer my original inquiry: Will you be kind enough to inform me when, where, in what tradition, and under whose auspices you were ordained as a Buddhist monk? In addition, your site now claims that William Van Gordon is also a Buddhist monk. Will you be kind enough to inform me when, where, in what tradition, and under whose auspices William Van Gordon ordained as a Buddhist monk without his parents' blessing?

In violating my copyright you have given me standing in a Crown Court. Cease and desist from copying and/or distributing my copyrighted material. This is your only warning.

Venerable Kobutsu Malone-Osho
古佛新進和尚

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