Greetings for the Year of the Iron Rabbit,



The Gebchak nuns sound their winter greetings!

from Gebchak Gonpa



Left & below: maintaining a respectful distance, spectators watch the *Chu-Rey* ceremony. *Taking photos of the actual* ceremony is strictly prohibited.





Winter sunset over Gebchak Nunnery.



One of the two orphan groups living in Yushu.





Above: the exisiting main temple where the nuns gather to perform 20 *drubchens** a year. Currently, the structure is at risk of collapsing. This year the construction for a new temple will begin! **Drubchens* are intensive prayer ceremonies lasting about ten days each.

Left: the Nunnery bursar sorts through food supplies purchased with the kind support of people *like you*.



Nuns enjoying the new three-year retreat centre.



Lunchtime!





Orphans living in a nomad encampment for the winter. On the left is Wangdrak Rinpoche.