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To Members and Friends of *Easing Awake Sangha*,

We, the members of the organizing board of *Easing Awake Sangha*, are frankly excited to share our progress as this new organization grows into being. You have played no small part in this effort. The IRS needs evidence of commitment from individuals before they will grant not-for-profit status to new organizations, and the 331 of you who support Easing Awake Sangha - 112 as Members and 219 as Friends - have provided that very important evidence of viability. We are deeply grateful.

In the coming months we hope to turn the corner toward official not-for-profit status, and at that time we will use some of the communication resources available to such organizations, allowing you to manage email coming from us. Until that time, though, we wish to avoid spamming you every time we want to announce something. To that end, we hope to keep our emails to you few and sparse.

But, that does *not* mean we are done communicating.

The home base for *Easing Awake Sangha* communication is our website, <http://www.easingawake.org/>. There you'll find a [Newsletter](#) page, which is set up as a blog. Our intention is to use this page to periodically provide supportive, inspirational writings from our Guiding Teacher, Doug Kraft. You will find our current events at our [Events](#) page as needed.

So if we're not emailing much, how will you know when we publish something from the Newsletter?

1. We would love it if you'd check in to [easingawake.org](http://www.easingawake.org) to see what's up. The website is a work in progress, and we will be noting major milestones in the Newsletter as Easing Awake Sangha progresses toward officialdom. To connect via **RSS**, use <http://www.easingawake.org/newsletter>.
2. Newsletter posts automatically jump to **Twitter**. Twitter-users may follow us at [@EasingAwake](#) for notices of and links to new postings.
3. The same thing happens in **Facebook**. Feel free to *Like* and *Follow* us at [Easing Awake Sangha](#). A problem with Facebook is it is becoming more commercial and less dependable, so notices may not show up in your timeline, especially as time goes on. Simply check in occasionally.
4. Lastly, Doug will continue updating his personal webpage at www.dougkraft.com. Much Sangha information is linked back to his website. Sangha-specific activity, is found at easingawake.org. *Note!*: easingawake.com is equivalent to dougkraft.com, and separate from easingawake.org. For more on the business side of things, see our [Bylaws](#).

Please let us know if you have questions about any of the above, or anything else. Thank you, sincerely, for your support and continuing connection to Easing Awake Sangha!

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