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## **Eugene Veg Education Network (EVEN) Celebrates 7th Anniversary!**

Eugene, OR --- March 8, 2012 --- The Eugene Veg Education Network (EVEN) announces its **7th anniversary.** 

EVEN is an **official 501(c)(3) non-profit** based in Eugene Oregon serving as a resource for those seeking information on a **healthful**, **vegan lifestyle**.

EVEN was organized in 2005 by Eugene residents and retirees, **Lin Silvan** and **Robert Jacobucci**, based on a philosophy of **non-violence**, **compassion** and **sustainability**.

Focus is on the **interconnectedness of all life** and how a plant-based diet benefits the earth, non-human animals, and the individual.

EVEN's <u>Mission Statement</u> is to <u>inform</u>, <u>educate</u> and <u>encourage</u> its members, and the larger community, by <u>providing information</u> on veganism and its positive impact on the health of the planet and all its inhabitants.

EVEN is a 100% volunteer organization.

## As an **outreach** and **educational** non-profit, EVEN:

- Sponsors educational events and presentations by <u>various</u> speakers;
- **Distributes** a wide-range of material---brochures, books, magazines, and DVDs---through an extensive <u>Outreach</u> program both locally and throughout the United States;
- Maintains an active and informative Website;
- Publishes an educational News Blog;
- Supports a varied and far-reaching network that connects people with organizations, businesses, resources, and veg products and services;
- Offers a **free lending library** to members;
- Organizes annual dineouts, vegan potlucks and other social events;
- Serves as a **vegan resource** by answering hundreds of emails each month.

**Everything EVEN does is offered free to the public.** 

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