EVEN Interview with ROBERT CHEEKE

Vegan Bodybuilder, Motivational Speaker, Author


I suggest we start questioning the misunderstandings we have about the eating and lifestyle behaviors that are globally the most destructive force we've ever experienced. The farming, confinement, harvesting and eating of animals is killing all of us, and the planet, and we have observed this in factual form, in our brief time on Earth. That data cannot be misunderstood. – Robert Cheeke

[**EVEN Interviews** is a monthly feature highlighting selected vegans who are leaders in their fields and who have a deep commitment to veganism. It is designed to offer interesting and inspiring viewpoints to both long-term vegans and newbies alike.]
The Rootstalk Festival is quickly approaching!

Hosted by Mountain Rose Herbs, this unique celebration of herbal living, wilderness skills, homesteading, plant lore, and organic agriculture offers a chance to return to our community’s roots. Experience over 70 classes, workshops, and guided walks by the country’s most renowned herbal educators and environmental experts. Learn “do-it-yourself” sustainability projects, nature awareness, herbal medicine making, home fermentation, backyard permaculture, and much more! Then enjoy organic, locally grown vegetarian meals, herbal beer, live concerts, and special performances as the stars shine.

Rootstalk is a four-day, three-night festival that will take place on 300 acres of beautiful old-growth forest just outside of Salem, Oregon. Best of all, your ticket to Rootstalk will help protect the natural splendor of our bioregion. Mountain Rose Herbs will donate all profits from Rootstalk to the non-profit organization, Cascadia Wildlands!

Rootstalk - A Celebration of Plants, People and Planet!

Weekend and day passes are now available!
Last Chance to Host an Exchange Student for the 2011-2012 School Year!!!

Dear Friends of International Student Exchange,

AYUSA currently has about 200 students left to place in the U.S. The State Department requires students to be placed by Sept 1. Last year, only a handful were not placed by the deadline. This year has been rough; more students may have to postpone their dream of studying in the U.S.

Churchill HS and North HS are still accepting exchange students. If you live in those boundaries and might like to host, please contact me soon. If you know anyone who may be interested, please pass along my contact info. There are some amazing students from all over the world still waiting to hear about their placements. This is a great way to experience another culture without leaving Eugene!

Thank you!

Karyn LaCroix, AYUSA Community Rep, 541-343-0238

Register Guard Recognizes EVEN as a Community Leader!

The Register Guard newspaper in Eugene, Oregon made an acknowledgement of EVEN's work by including us in their Volunteer Spotlight column. 

Read about it HERE

Looking for a Happy, Healthy, Veg Housekeeper?

Call Kim for a clean house! 541-517-2745

See more of EVEN’s Service Directory
NEW! Check Out EVEN News Blog

Get in touch with hundreds of valuable, vegan morsels at EVEN’s News Blog. It’s under construction, but bookmark it and check back often.

Attention: Oregon Activist Friends!
Ringling Brothers Circus

Reminder: It’s time to protest the Cruelest Show on Earth, to speak for those who cannot speak, and to show Ringling Brothers that animal abuse is not welcomed in Eugene.

The Facebook event page for the Ringling Bros. protests is now live here: http://www.facebook.com/#!/event.php?eid=261841793828875

Please RSVP on Facebook. If you’re not on Facebook, please RSVP to Andrea Kowalski at jaigopalkaur@yahoo.com

The protests will be at the 13th St. entrance of Matt Knight Arena. The dates/times of the protests are as follows. It would be wonderful if you could make one protest, or all four of them over the weekend.

• Friday, August 26th @ 6:30pm-7:45pm
• Saturday, August 27th @ 1:00pm-2:15pm AND 5:00pm-6:15pm (2 shows on Saturday)
• Sunday, August 28th @ 12:00pm-1:15pm

SIGNS, LEAFLETS and BANNERS WILL BE PROVIDED

Hope to see you all there!! Please forward to friends who may be interested in helping the animals.

Best, Andrea
jaigopalkaur@yahoo.com
More information on the Ringling abuse:

Ringling routinely beats and whips the elephants. They also severely confine:

(1) the elephants by penning them or staking them to the ground with leg chains;

(2) the horses by caging them or tying their heads to the side of the cage; and,

(3) the tigers by keeping them in cages with just enough room to take a few steps back and forth.
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Just as recently as this past July 14th, they were issued another citation. This time for not providing veterinary care for one of these endangered Asian elephants.

Every year their attendance numbers dwindle from families turned away by circus violence attributed to protesters informative message.

YOU can make the difference! Please join us.

Don't Miss These TWO Great Portland Events!

1. Friday, Sept. 16: Professional Conference: Enhancing Health with Plant-Based Nutrition

2. Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 17 & 18: Portland VegFest

More Info HERE

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The Eugene Veg Education Network (EVEN) is an official 501(c)(3) non-profit based in Eugene serving as a resource for those seeking information on a healthy, vegan lifestyle. EVEN's emphasis is one 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 Mission Statement is to inform, educate & encourage our members---as well as the larger community---by providing pertinent information on veganism and its positive impact on the health of the planet and all its inhabitants. www.eugeneveg.org Peace.

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