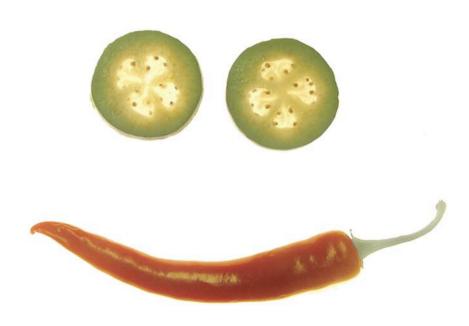
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PROGRAM GUIDE Sunday, May 17, 2009



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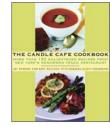
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PROGRAM

Parade

11:00 a.m. Line up for parade where

Little West 12th St., Gansevoort St.,

Greenwich St., and 9th Ave. come together

12:00 Noon Parade begins



Parade end point: Rally/Expo in Union Square Park (north end) NOTE: bios are on following pages.

PROGRAM SUBJECT TO CHANGE

1:00 p.m.	Parade culminates at rally/expo point, the northern end
	(sector) of Union Square Park

1:00 p.m.	From on stage Cheryl Hill welcomes parade participants
	entering the park with a set of original music.

1:45 p.m.	Speaker Dada J.P.	Vaswani gives	keynote address.
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2:10 p.m.	Pamela Rice, parade organizer, presents awards for best-
	costume contest and best sign-board/slogan contest .

2:25 p.m.	Pamela introduces the authors at the rally who are on hand
	to sign their books from the authors' expo table.

2:30 p.m.	Speakers Peter Anderson, Marianne Theime, Christine
·	Vardaros, Richard Schwartz, Karen Davis, Joan Wai, and
	Mickey Z address the crowd.

4:00 p.m.	John Phillips of the League of Humane Voters, NYC, intro-
	duces Tony Avella and Yetta Kurland.

4:15 p.m. Naming ceremony, baby veggies (toddlers in costumes), the offspring of **Chris P. Carrot** (PeTA) and **Penelo Pea Pod** (VivaVegie Society). Firebrand **Dave Warwak** conducts the ceremony.

4:30 p.m. **Cheryl Hill**, second set.

Veggie Pride Parade, NYC, 2009 Coming together with one voice, one expression of veggie pride

Building on the overwhelming success of last year's parade, this year's march through Greenwich Village, New York City, will surely be even bigger and better. Individually, one may be an animal-rights activist, an environmentalist, or a person concerned with his or

her health. But on Sunday, May 17, 2009, all will come together with one voice, one expression, of veggie pride, compassion, and sanity.

Parade participants are encouraged to dress up in cos-

tumes and wear sign boards announcing their pride in their vegetarian lifestyle. Local restaurants and vegetarian groups will be represented with banners and chants. PeTA's Chris P. Carrot and VivaVegie's Penelo Pea Pod (the seven-foot-tall human peapod) will again head up the parade (see image). But this time, after a year of "married life,"

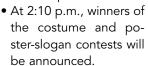
the two will be accompanied by a gaggle of baby veggies (offspring, that is toddlers dressed in costume).

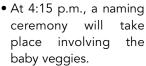
The procession will begin as last year at 12 Noon in the Olde Meat District (where 9th Ave., Gansevoort St., Greenwich St., and Little West 12th St. converge). It will culminate in Union Square Park, where a festival of music, speakers, exhibitors, and vegan food will take place.

From 1 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., the stage will glisten with the passionate faces

of leaders and performers in the movement: We'll hear from activists, political and spiritual leaders, organizers, a school principal, a world-class athlete, a poet, and fighters

for of all stripes.



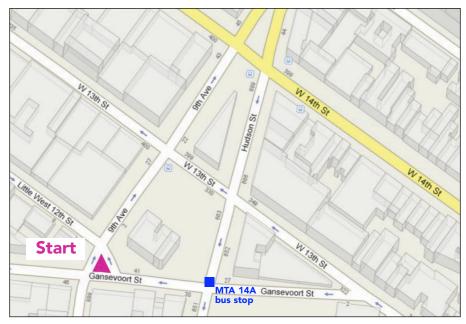


Organizer Pamela Rice believes that with this parade, "vegetarians will be just a little less invisible, their lifestyle just a little more tenable, and the

misconceptions about vegetarianism just a little less pronounced." Ms. Rice said, "I'm hoping that at this event people will be amazed at the culture vegetarians have been creating in recent years.

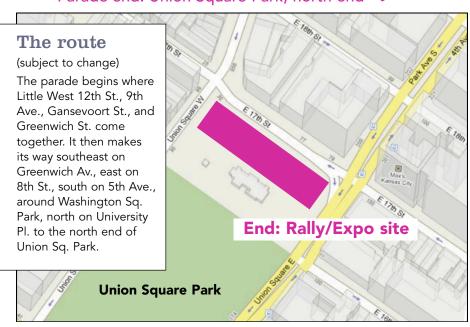


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Parade start: the Olde Meat District

Parade end: Union Square Park, north end



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J.P. Vaswani is one of India's most recognized nonsectarian spiritual leaders and the head of the Sadhu Vaswani Mission. For the past 43 years, Dada, as he is affectionately known, has been a tireless advocate for animal rights and non-violence. Cultivating his ideals from his mentor and guru Sadhu T.L. Vaswani, he is today an accomplished orator, philosopher, educationalist, and philanthropist. Dada lives in Pune, India.



Paul Shapiro is the senior director of the factory farming campaign of the Humane Society of the United States. He has spearheaded numerous successful campaigns on behalf of farmed animals. He directs the effort to convince retailers, food service providers, and others to expand their vegan options. Prior to working for HSUS, Paul founded Compassion Over Killing, where he worked as a farmed-animal cruelty investigator.



Peter Anderson is the principal of Future Leaders Institute, a progressive charter school in Harlem. He's worked in education for over 15 years and holds graduate degrees from the London School of Economics and New York University. Part of what he passes along to the kids at his school is the wisdom of healthy eating. He has partnered with New York Coalition for Healthy School Food to provide two plant-based meals per week.



Marianne Thieme is a member of The Netherlands' House of Representatives and is leader of the Party for the Animals. She is the onstage narrator for the pro-vegan DVD *Meat The Truth*. It presents a hard-hitting but popular presentation of the vegan environmental arguments, emphasizing, in particular, livestock's heavy influence on global warming. Early in her career, she was a fauna consultant for the Dutch SPA.



Green vegan rawker **Cheryl Hill** returns to the Big Apple from her current home in Austin, Texas, to rock Veggie Pride Parade-2. Hill wrote the VPP's theme song "Get Your Green On," a song about greening up the planet by greening up your diet. She's also branding a new raw vegan super food drink mix, Chocolate Bliss Elixir, and is co-hosting a weekly online, live, interactive TV show "FZ Raw Food 101 TV."



Christine Vardaros is a world-class vegan cyclist. She's writes fitness columns for *VegNews* magazine, *Cyclo-Cross* magazine, and the *Marin Independent Journal*. She is an official spokesperson for In Defense of Animals, a founding member of the Marin County Bicycle Coalition, and is a member of the athlete's advisory board for the Stone Foundation for Sports Medicine and Arthritis Research. And she's never owned a car.



Richard H. Schwartz, Ph.D. is the author of *Judaism and Vegetarianism*, *Judaism and Global Survival*, and *Mathematics and Global Survival*, and over 130 articles at JewishVeg.com/schwartz. He is the president of the Jewish Vegetarians of North America (JVNA) and the Society of Ethical and Religious Vegetarians. He is the associate producer of *A Sacred Duty*, a powerful, pro-vegan DVD production.

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Karen Davis, Ph.D. is president of United Poultry Concerns. She is the founding editor of UPC's magazine *Poultry Press* and the author of numerous books including *Prisoned Chickens*, *Poisoned Eggs*. Ms. Davis maintains a sanctuary for rescued poultry birds in Virginia. She in an inductee to the U.S. Animal Rights Hall of Fame. Since 1999, Ms. Davis and UPC have hosted eight annual conferences on farmed-animal advocacy issues.



Joan Wai is the founder and chief executive director of Youth Buddhism Communications, a New York City-based group fully committed to compassionate meatless living. She is the organizer of the 1,000-strong allvegan banquet put on by the group in Chinatown every year in October. She is also the director of a community center near Confucius Plaza run by the organization.



Mickey Z will wax eloquent in poetry and prose in his most inimitable style at the post Veggie Pride Parade rally and expo. Proudly armed with his high school diploma, born and raised in Astoria, New York, part working class, part radical vegan, Mickey Z is probably the only person on the planet to have appeared in both a karate flick with Billy Blanks and a political book with Noam Chomsky. He has been a vegan for 14 years.



Tony Avella is a New York City councilman from Queens' 19th district. He heads five council committees and is a leading advocate of animal rights in city government. The 2007 scorecard of the NYC League of Humane Voters gave Tony a 100 percent rating, but it might as well have been 110 percent. He's taken up leadership roles with the Horse Drawn Carriage Ban, the Pets in Housing bill, and humane education in the city's schools.



Yetta G. Kurland is a civil rights and family law attorney with a long history of community activism and empowerment, which she now brings to her campaign for City Council in the 3rd District in Manhattan (Greenwich Village and environs). All serve well to complement her commitment to living a vegetarian diet. Yetta lives in Chelsea with her partner Elizabeth and their two dogs, Sal and Luca.



Dave Warwak is a meditator, philosopher, humanitarian, artist, musician, poet, and writer. Formerly a tenured middle school art teacher, he became an animal rights activist after he was notoriously fired for teaching veganism, to his students. Warwak's mission has since been tell children the truth about our world. Ask Dave about transcripts that document his fight to keep his job, which include testimony by T. Colin Campbell.



Pamela Rice is the author of "101 Reasons Why I'm a Vegetarian," both book and pamphlet. She is the founding director of the Vegetarian Center of NYC and the organizer for this event. She is the founding director of the VivaVegie Society, the parade's sponsoring group. She is also the erstwhile publisher of *The VivaVine: The Vegetarian Issues Magazine*. Pamela makes her living as a graphic artist in New York City.





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our door.
Five, six, seven, eight.
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Go veg.
Feed the hungry.
Go veg.
Protect the earth.
Go veg.
Enjoy good health.
Go veg.

Hey, ho, we're so cool. Being veggie truly rules.

What do we want? Vegan options in our schools. When do we want it? Now!

Get hip. Go veg.

Eat those veggies. Eat 'em good. Get your fiber. As you should.

Hey, hey, ho, ho.
Factory farming's got
to go.
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The Roots of American Vegetarianism, Pt. 2

By Rynn Berry

Modern American Vegetarianism
Although Dr. John "Cornflakes"
Kellogg carried his vegetarian crusade
into the 1940s, during the early
decades of the twentieth century a triumvirate of self-appointed food
authorities were helping to change the
way Americans viewed the meat on

their plates. The first of these was Upton Sinclair. A novelist and social reformer, Sinclair became a food reformer quite by accident. His novel, *The Jungle* (1906), which he had intended to be a diatribe against capitalism, was so vivid in its portrayal of the horrors of the meatpacking industry

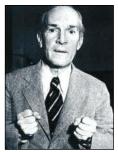
that it gave the country a case of national dyspepsia. It was influential in the passage of the Pure Food and Drug Act (1906), and one year after its publication, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration was formed. Sinclair himself became a vegetarian, albeit for only three years; however, there is no doubt that many Americans were so stirred by his book as to swear off eating meat altogether.

The next was Horace Fletcher. A corpulent American businessman, Fletcher lost weight by devising a system of repetitive chewing. Called "Fletcherism" it required that each morsel of food be chewed thirty-two times. When Fletcher found that meat offered the greatest resistance to being liquefied through chewing, the Great Masticator stopped eating meat

and recommended that earnest followers of his regimen do likewise. As soon as Americans found that they could lose weight simply through vigorous mastication, Fletcherism swept the country.

The third reformer, Bernarr Macfadden, was a rags-to-riches phys-

ical-culturist-turned-publishing-magnate and a charismatic public health figure. As one of America's richest young tycoons, he could have indulged his appetite on a Lucullan scale, but he lived chiefly on raw vegetables and fruit. (Later in life, he became a bit of a backslider and included some



Upton Sinclair

meat in his diet, but in his heyday, he lived mainly on raw vegetarian food.) On rare occasions when he fell ill, he cured himself through fasting. In 1902 he opened one of New York's first vegetarian restaurants, Physical Culture (named after his fitness magazine), where for a nickel one could dine on an entree like "Hamburger Steak," which was made from nuts and vegetables. By 1911 twenty vegetarian Physical Culture restaurants had sprung up in Philadelphia, Chicago, and sundry other locations.

In 1927 America's longest continuously running vegetarian society was founded in Washington DC by Milton Trenham with strong Seventh-Day Adventist backing. The VSDC is the oldest vegetarian organization in continued on page 12





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On July 28, 1947, at a convention of the American Naturopathic Association at the Commodore Hotel in New York, a vegetarian political party, the American Vegetarian Party, was formed with the goal of putting up a presidential candidate for the 1948 election. Their candidate was Dr. John Maxwell, a naturopathic doctor and restaurateur from Chicago. To oppose General Dwight D. Eisenhower in the election, they nominated 1952 General Herbert C. Holdridge, a vegetarian West Point alumnus of the class of 1917. In every subsequent quadrennial election until 1964 (by which time the party had faded away) a candidate ran for the Presidency on the vegetari-More recently, Dennis an ticket. Kucinich, one of the Democratic candidates for the presidential election in 2008, is a self-proclaimed vegan who attributes his stamina on the campaign trail to his fleshless diet.

A Paradigm Shift

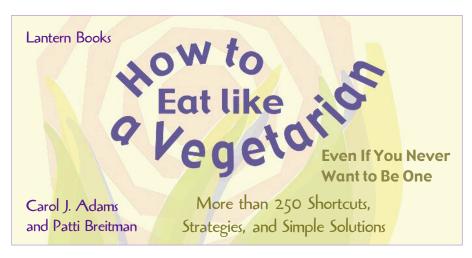
These days, in freezer cases across

America one can find a vast array of vegetarian entrees, from the sophisticated to the ordinary. Supermarkets are stocking more and more vegetarian food products. Vegetarian restaurants continue to proliferate. Now, America is mounting its Veggie Pride Parade-2! All of this suggests that the popular image of vegetarianism as an eccentric, cranky, fringe movement has undergone a paradigm shift. Among younger generations of Americans, it is very much in vogue to be a vegetar-

Rynn Berry is the historical advisor to the North American Vegetarian Society. In addition to being the author of such

ian, if not a vegan.

books as Famous Vegetarians, and Food for the Gods: Vegetarianism and the World's Religions, and Hitler: Neither Vegetarian Nor Animal Lover, and co-author of Becoming Raw (forthcoming in September, 2009), Rynn is the author of The Vegan Guide to New York City, where he lives.





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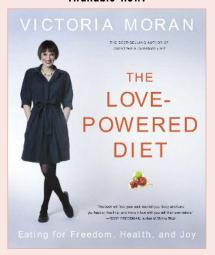


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- Babycakes, 248 Broome St. (nr. Ludlow)
- Blossom, 187 Ninth Av. (nr. 22nd St.)
- Bonobo's, 18 E. 23rd St.
- Caravan of Dreams, 405 E. 6th St.
- Curly's, 328 E. 14th St.
- Dosa Man (Washington Sq. Park)
- Franchia, 12 Park Av. (nr. 34th St.)
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- Hangawi,12 E. 32nd St.
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- Stogo, 159 E. 10th St.
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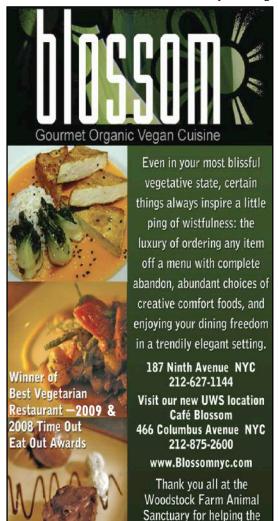
• A March 2009 story (Boiling mad: crabs feel pain) on LiveScience.com reported that "researchers now say that not only do crabs suffer pain, they retain a memory of it." The scientists say its time for new laws to consider the suffering of all crustaceans."

• A March 2009 Associated Press story

(Pharmaceuticals found in fish across U.S.) reported that researchers had found that "fish caught near wastewater treatment plants serving five major U.S. cities had residues of pharmaceuticals in them, including medicines used to treat high cholesterol, allergies, high blood pressure, bipolar

disorder and depression." The phenomenon, the story noted, was worse on the wildlife than to the people who eat the fish.

- A December 2008 Star-Ledger (New Jersey) story (Farmers blanch at idea of cow tax) told of an Environmental Protection Agency proposal to tax cows to promote "a way to regulate greenhouse gas emissions under the Clean Air Act," a suggestion that according to the story has rankled dairy and cattle farmers. A typical dairy farmer with 200 cows would face up to \$35,000 in permit fees if the regulations actually become rules.
- An October 2008 Agence France Presse story (Red meat primes body for intestinal germ: study) told of a study published in the journal Nature, which found that a "steady diet of red meat makes the body more susceptible to a virulent form of intestinal bug that can cause bloody diarrhoea and even death." According to the study, red "meat naturally contains molecules that "act as a sort of magnet for the toxins exuded



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by an E. coli strain..."

- January 2009 Chicago Tribune story (City health chief goes meatless, urges others to join him) introduced us to Dr. Terry Mason, the top health commissioner for the city, who has not only adopted the vegetarian diet for himself but has been for the past four years actively promoted it to the inner city.
- A BBC News story (A billion frogs on world's plates) in January 2009 reported that according to a new study, "up to one billion frogs are taken from the wild for human consumption each year." As a consequence, in part, "about one-third of all amphibians are listed as threatened species."

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- **2**. To show our true love of animals, which must include farmed animals.
- **3**. To celebrate our healthy diet.
- **4**. To educate about the issues surrounding today's cruel, unsustainable, and exploitative meat-, egg-, and dairy-production systems.
- **5**. To encourage meat eaters—through advocacy and example—to join us in our compassionate way of living.

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To reach out and meet your fellow vegan, go to

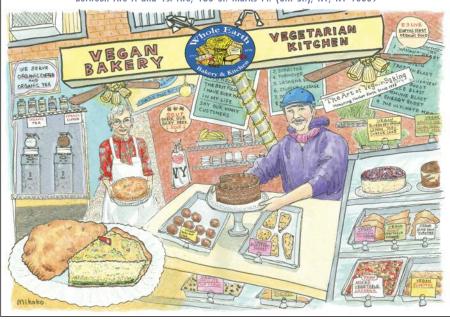
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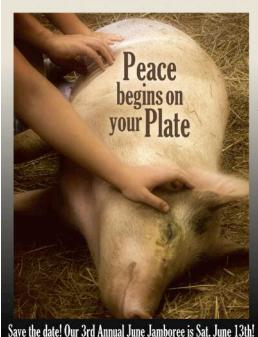
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- Peace Food restaurant is donating dinner for two, worth approximately \$80.
- Wild Ginger is donating dinner for two, worth \$65.
- An Arbonne International representative is donating \$100 in the allvegan, all-pure line of cosmetics.
- Micah Books is donating a collection of its fine books worth \$60.
- Curly's is donating dinner coupons worth \$50.
- Rawstar is donating dinner coupons worth \$50.
- Veggie Brothers (New Jersey) is donating a gift certificate for mailorder veggie meals worth \$50.
- Foodswings (Brooklyn) is donating gift certificates worth \$50, total.
- Vegetarian Resource Group is donating various books and membership benefits worth \$50, total.
- Bonobos is donating two gift certificates worth \$40, total.
- V-Spot (Brooklyn) is donating a gift certificate for a dinner worth \$40.
- Delicious TV's Totally Vegetarian cable-TV show is donating two copies of the cookbook Totally Vegetarian, by Toni Fiore, along with five cooking-show DVDs worth \$50, total.
- Party for the Animals (a political party in The Netherlands) is donating 10 DVDs of Meat the Truth worth \$180, total.

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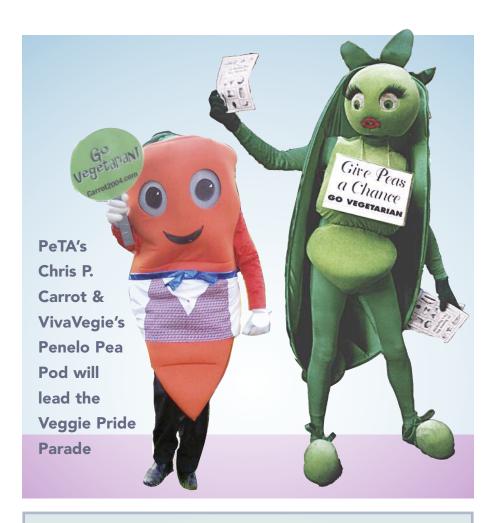
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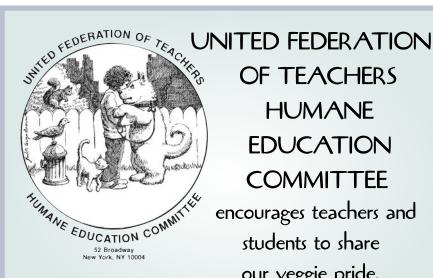
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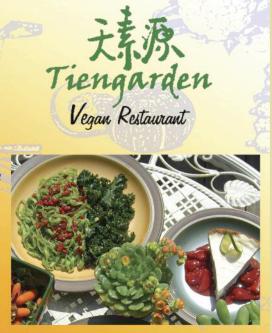
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