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Austria's Rebel Farmer to Have Lecture and Workshops in Pierce County  
Locals to Gather for Movie Showings before his Arrival

**Tacoma, WA--** The natural farmer of the Alps, Sepp Holzer, will be giving a public lecture and two workshops within Pierce County in the latter part of February. In preparation for these events, there will be numerous free movie showings about his property, the Krameterhof, at local coffee shops and libraries.

Sepp Holzer's work in the Lungau region of Austria has received international acclaim and was featured in Expo2000. At an altitude of 1500 meters (~5000 feet) in the "Siberia of Austria", he has created a self-sustaining landscape in which he produces many varieties of the best quality fish, fruits, nuts, vegetables, mushrooms, pork, poultry and even citrus without irrigation, fertilizers, pesticides or weeding. He has also written books, The Rebel Farmer is the only one currently translated into English. A handful of movies have also been created about his project. Ciscoe Morris will have Holzer on his show on February 28<sup>th</sup>.

Pierce County residents will have an opportunity to learn about his innovative techniques that involve food growing, localized economics, appropriate technologies, and more.

Partners:

Divine Earth Gardening Project

Sustainable Tacoma- Pierce

MetroParks Tacoma, Community Wellness Program

Cheryl the Pig Lady, Piglets & More

Mick & Vicki Boynton (aka 'Mowich Mick',

Mowich Way Ranch, & member Friends of Carbon Canyon)

Free Movie Showings:

2/6 Antique sandwich, Tacoma 5-7

2/7 Buono Coffee, Wilkeson 6-8

2/11 Beyond the Bridge Cafe, Sumner 6-8

2/12 Commencement Bay Coffee, Tacoma 4-6

2/13 Library, Eatonville 6-8

2/15 Library, Graham 6-8

Sepp Holzer tour ('Secrets of Eden') in Pierce County:

2/19 Lecture at Pt. Defiance Pagoda "Permaculture & Sustainability: Tools of Empowerment for a Responsible, Natural Lifestyle"

2/23 Workshop at Cheryl the Pig Lady's "Creating a Food Forest for Integration with Livestock"

2/26 & 27 Workshop at Mowich Mick's "Ponds on Sloping Land: Microclimates, Microhydro, Aquaculture"

**About Divine Earth Gardening Project:**

Divine Earth Gardening Project is a garden design and teaching business ran by Kelda Miller. It is a Puyallup-based 'Permaculture' resource, though many projects extend throughout Western Washington. Permaculture is a design system for creating sustainable human habitats that do not degrade ecosystems.

**About Perma-Dise Corporation:** Perma-Dise is a similar business to Divine Earth. They operate out of Yelm, where Sepp Holzer will be based for his Western Washington tour. Their website has complete listings for his month in Western WA. area.