

MAINE EQUINE ASSOCIATES ANNOUNCES

ASSESSING YOUR HORSE'S HEALTH

and

FIRST AID FOR YOUR HORSE!

March 21st, 2009 at the MSSPA Farm in South Windham

Drs. David Jefferson, Rachel Flaherty, and Janelle Tirrelle of Maine Equine Associates in New Gloucester, Maine invite you to participate in a life-saving fundraiser for Maine's premiere equine rescue and rehabilitation facility, the [Maine State Society for the Protection of Animals](#). Don't miss this exciting opportunity to participate in a hands-on program that will enable you to assess acute health problems facing your horse in a methodical and thorough manner. Learn how to organize the critical information you collect to help you make informed decisions. Groups of no more than 10 attendees will gather around one vet, one horse, and enjoy the opportunity to see proper techniques demonstrated.* Ask questions as they occur!

At the end of your 90 minute session you will know how to:

- Accurately take a horse's pulse and respiratory rate in more than one location, both and without a stethoscope
- Know exactly how to take the temperature of your horse
- Assess your horse for colic and be able to administer first aid for this situation
- Check out your horse's state of hydration
- Feel for and assess the pulse at the feet
- Determine when a horse with a cut needs to be sutured
- Know when you should call for the veterinarian and what to say when you call

Will there be hands on of the horses?	Yes!	Will it be a formal lecture?	No!
Will there be hand outs available	Yes!	Will there be a quiz?	No!

Of course light refreshments will be provided, [MEA](#) will offer their [Equine First Aid Kits](#) for sale (great value, too!), and best of all, you will meet many of the Society's success stories, horses rescued from abuse and neglect who have been rehabilitated to their full potential. FMI: www.maineequineassociates.com or www.msspa.org

Equine First Aid Clinic Registration Information

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

_____ I have enclosed a check for \$25.00 made payable to the MSSPA

Three sessions – please indicate your preference by numbering 1st, 2nd, 3rd

_____ **8:30 – 10:00 a.m.** _____ **10:30 – 12:00 p.m.** _____ **1:00 – 2:30 p.m.**

UNLESS YOU HEAR OTHERWISE, YOU WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR YOUR 1ST CHOICE

PLEASE RETURN REGISTRATION FORM AND PAYMENT TO:

**MSSPA
P.O. Box 10
South Windham, Maine 04082-0010**

* If Dr. Jefferson is called away to an equine emergency during the clinic, group size may have to increase to accommodate all attendees