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The Society Pages

Maine State Society for the
Protection of Animals

MSSPA

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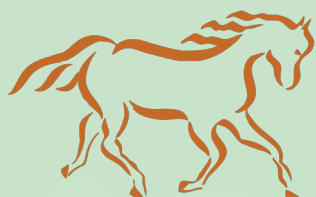
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Help, Hope, Home A Facility Improvement

Help, Hope, Home is a \$1.8 million facility improvement that consolidates an indoor training arena and humane education center with administrative offices.

This project serves the horses and the people who care about them.



On May 10th, the MSSPA board of directors and building committee broke ground for the Lawrence J. Keddy and Marilyn L. Goodreau Equine Rehabilitation Facility



Help, Hope, Home gets underway – on May 29th, construction began on the Society's indoor training arena and humane education center



*Please support **Help, Hope, Home** with your tax-deductible gift to the Maine State Society for the Protection of Animals.*



Artist's rendition of the new facility, to be completed this fall

To all who are helping to bring the project from grand plan to grand opening,

Thank you!



Check us out at www.msspa.org and find us on Facebook and Instagram



Available To Adopt:

Here is a sampling of the MSSPA horses available for adoption. Visit our website for a complete listing.



Mia, Grade Mare



Buck, QH Gelding



Pocket, Mule



Rita, Arabian Mare



Romeo, QH Gelding



**Honey Rose,
QH Mare**

Find your right horse

Despite their heartbreaking appearance, horses like Noel, pictured to the right, are the lucky ones – recently rescued from horrific circumstances and restored to their best potential at the MSSPA.

When you make your next horse a shelter horse and adopt from the Society, you will be saving two lives – the one of the horse you adopt and the one who comes through the big barn doors after them and needs all of the services that New England's premier horse shelter can provide.

There are dozens of horses on site for you to meet, including Noel. Noel was taken from an abusive owner and placed at the Society in December 2015 and is currently looking for her right home. She came to MSSPA a few hundred pounds underweight, loaded with parasites, and had severely neglected hooves. Since then, she has made a spectacular recovery. Noel is a sweet and mellow mare in her mid-teens and would make an excellent companion horse to the right person.

**If you have room in
your barn and heart for
the right horse, please
visit MSSPA's River
Road farm to meet
your next equine family
member and complete
a preliminary adoption
application!**



The 279 River Road farm is open to public visitors every day from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. – plan a picnic or a hike at the Society's spectacular 124 acre property – just a short drive from Maine's urban centers



(top) Noel when she arrived at the MSSPA in December 2015

(bottom) Noel after just 6 months of rehabilitation



Captain went home with Elisa on
Saturday, June 2nd



Marley went to his new home with Nancy on
Monday, June 4th

What a difference the hay makes

Thank you to the many folks who have already donated in support of the Society's 2018 Buy-A-Bale campaign.



Pictured here with MSSPA horse trainer Jan, Belle is enjoying a bit of hay after her workout

With just a couple of weeks to go, we are 70% of the way to the goal of feeding MSSPA horses for an entire year. Every donation counts and with yours, whether it is \$5 or \$500, the Society is closer to the \$100,000 needed.

For more information, or to donate, visit www.msspa.org/buy-a-bale.

From the smallest – Pocket and Shadow – to the tallest – Diana and Belle – each horse at the MSSPA has been rescued from circumstances of abuse or neglect. Thank you for your support in restoring all of them to their best potential.



Watch for **Buy-A-Bale** on the Time & Temp Building June 22 - 24



Thank you to the Law Offices of Joe Bornstein.

Current Events

Community Matters More Contest – MSSPA wins \$1,000



BSB's Tricia Duchesneau presenting MSSPA with the \$1,000 prize

Thank you to everyone who voted for the horses in the Bangor Savings Bank Foundation's 2018 Community Matters More Contest. When Bangor Savings Bank counted up the ballots and announced this year's winning non-profits, the horses at the River Road farm received enough write-in votes to win \$1,000.



Horses With Hope



A Shire-sized thank you to our partners at HWH for their generous donation of equine training services.

Helping rescued horses find their human soul mates



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Help A Horse Day Contest

This year's Help A Horse Day theme is adoption and MSSPA is thrilled to be competing to win up to \$30,000. Please help the Society #HelpAHorse and consider adopting a horse, spreading the word about our horses looking for their right homes, or making a donation to support MSSPA's adoption program.



Smokey: adopted by Kim last fall

Thank you for your support

Wanted Volunteers

For more information,
visit
www.msspa.org

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Thank you to our volunteers



MSSPA volunteer Sara Whelan, recipient of the Presidential Service Award, donated more than 500 hours of service in 2017

The MSSPA thanks all its generous and hard-working volunteers – without your incredible devotion to the animals, it wouldn't be possible to successfully operate New England's premier horse shelter. From those who come once a year to those who are at the farm nearly every day, doing the work of stall mucking to paddock picking, weeding the flower beds to washing buckets, grooming the horses to groundwork and everything in between, Society volunteers make all the difference.



A Gift from the Grace Butnam Foundation

In 1986, MSSPA modern day founder Lawrence Keddy established the Grace Butnam Foundation. Named for his beloved mother, the foundation's mission was to provide financial support for the Maine State Society for the Protection of Animals. Following Mr. Keddy's death in 2000, his life partner Marilyn Goodreau continued the work of the foundation.

In 2017, Marilyn and the GBF Board of Directors voted to consolidate the foundation's assets with those of the Society. The result was a generous gift from the Grace Butnam Foundation to the horses here. That gift is the cornerstone of funding for the Lawrence J. Keddy and Marilyn L. Goodreau Equine Rehabilitation Facility.

