



To Our Clients and Friends,

As many of you know, we moved our veterinary practice from Taos to Santa Fe in 2006. We embarked on this adventure in order to build a complete equine hospital in a location easily accessible to Santa Fe, northern New Mexico, and the Albuquerque East Mountains. We have always believed that this sort of facility was greatly needed in the area. While we do have a complete mobile practice, our real goal continues to be to provide clients and other veterinarians services that can only be offered at a fully-equipped equine hospital facility.

It has been quite a challenge getting off the ground, but our practice is really taking shape. We have been performing colic surgery since July 2007 and have had a number of successful outcomes. In our short time here, we have taken a variety of challenging cases of all kinds and have helped a large number of horses and clients.

One of the things that makes our practice unique is that my wife and I live on site and personally oversee the after-hours care of horses. We feel that this makes a real difference to the outcomes of intense medical and surgical cases. We have additional staff here to help as well.

We are very proud of the great equine clinic that we are building here. If you need our services or just want to stop by to see what we are doing, feel free to stop in during business hours, or set up a time to visit us. We would love to show it to you.

We wish you a wonderful late spring and summer.

Doug Thal DVM and Staff

Purina Horse Owners Workshop Wednesday, May 28, 2008

Mark your calendars now for the free Horse Owners Workshop, sponsored by Purina and San Marcos Feed, to be held on May 28 at Thal Equine.

Schedule:

- 6:30 - 7 p.m. Thal Equine Open House
- 7 - 7:30 Performance Riding Demo
- 7:30 - 8:30 Speakers

- Troy Rogers will speak on Purina's new Well Solve Diets
- Dr. Thal will speak on "special needs" applicable to Well Solve Diets such as Diabetes, Obesity, Polysaccharide storage, Insulin Resistance/Cushings, care, etc.

8:30 - 9 Door prizes

Dr. Doug Thal will take questions about equine health care issues.

Please RSVP by calling 438-6590 or email amy@thalequine.com.



Dr. Thal and his assistant Lyndsey Hobson assessing a horse.

Client Education - Summer 2008 Workshop Series

At Thal Equine, we strongly believe that an educated horse owner is a good horse owner. Dr. Thal has written various articles about equine health-care available on our website www.thalequine.com. This summer we will also host a series of workshops, wherein Dr. Thal and staff will work closely with a small number of clients. Horses for these workshops will be provided unless otherwise stated.

Basic First Aid and Bandaging

Sunday, June 29, 2008 9 to 11 a.m.

Learn some basic equine first aid, including how to examine your horse, safely and properly apply a bandage, stop bleeding, and lots more!.

Developing a Relationship of Trust and Respect with Your Horse

Sunday, August 24, 2008 9 to 11 a.m.

Dr. Thal has a special interest in horsemanship and behavioral issues. Learn Dr. Thal's approach towards developing a relationship of trust and respect, which forms the basis for all good horsemanship. A limited number of people may bring their horse to our facility so that we can address specific behavioral issues.

Attendance is limited for all workshops so please call the office to reserve your space. All workshops are \$25.00, non-refundable fee.

The Pre-Purchase Exam - FREE

Sunday, Sept. 21, 2008 9 to 11 a.m.

Dr. Thal will discuss how he conducts a pre-purchase exam, the benefits and limitations of this process, and what questions you should ask when considering the purchase of a new horse.

Dr. Thal assessing a hind limb lameness, with the assistance of veterinary student Samuel Smith.

