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Equine Parasites and Dewormer Resistance Seminar at the VHCF

The Virginia Horse Center Foundation is proudly partnering with the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine to present a worthwhile and educational seminar titled “Equine Parasites and Dewormer Resistance.”

On Saturday, May 19, Dr. Rebecca Funk and Dr. Anne Zajac, both practitioners and teachers from the VMRCVM, will lead a seminar geared to professionals and laymen alike from 1:30-4:30pm in the Appomattox Mezzanine inside the Anderson Coliseum. Dr. Rebecca Funk is a DVM, holds a MS, and is a Diplomate ACVIM who works at the VMRCVM’s Field Services Department. Dr. Anne Zajac is a DVM, holds a MS and a PhD, and is a specialist in parasitology.

The seminar will be broken into three informational sections with question and answer sessions in between. The first session, from 1:30-2:15 pm and led by Dr. Funk, will serve as an introduction to parasites and their lifecycles. The next section will be led by Dr. Zajac from 2:30-3:15 pm, and will serve to discuss the problem of dewormer resistance and its commonality in horses. The final section will be a co-led discussion from 3:30-4:30pm on how to manage resistance – from selective deworming protocols, to getting and reading a fecal sample, and sharing the results of horses managed and treated this way.

This is the second seminar the VHCF has partnered with the VMRCVM on in order to provide area practitioners, owners, and riders the opportunity to hear new research, interact with teaching and research professionals, and improve their knowledge in the efforts to improve the health of their animals.

There is a \$10 registration fee for the seminar. RSVPs can be directed to Amanda Jones at 540-464-2968 or emailed to acjones@horsecenter.org. For more information, please visit www.horsecenter.org.

The Virginia Horse Center Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization which owns and operates the Virginia Horse Center. The Foundation is proud to be a part of the Rockbridge community, an asset to the state’s equine economy, and a resource to the East Atlantic competition circuit.

Committed to serving the needs, well-being, and safety of both rider and horse, the VHCF supports a 600-acre competition facility that serves over 400,000 people and 100,000 animals of all breeds and disciplines. The VHCF manages 115 events annually, most free and open to the public. Host to the Hoofbeats Therapeutic Riding Center, the Foundation’s mission is to enrich lives with programs focused on recreation, education, and preservation.

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