

MIDDLETOWN AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER

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Animal Science Continuing Education Winter 2012

Once again, continuing education classes are being offered to provide continuing education for interested people involved with the fields of agriculture and animal science. Classes will be held on Tuesday nights (with the exception of Thursday, 1/26)* from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. There are no fees for any of the classes.

Please register early so that we may plan for seating and materials. A minimum of 10 pre-registrants may be required in order to hold most classes. Please feel free to share this information with anyone who may be interested, including employees, friends, and boarders.

If Middletown schools are closed for the day or evening activities are cancelled due to inclement weather, the class for that evening will be cancelled. Please consult your local listings to check.

Winter 2012 Class Offerings:

- January 10** **Hooks and Cups and Stars – Oh My!** – Amanda Thomson, Middletown Ag Program Animal Science Instructor, will present a hands-on workshop using play-doh to demonstrate major dental milestones in determining the age of horses.
- January 17** **Equine Assisted Psychotherapy** - Learn about this innovative way in which horses are used in the treatment of mental health. Equine Specialist Jimmy Downes of “Relatively Stable” and LCSW Marilyn McCarthy, Mental Health professional, will lead a hands-on demonstration and discussion of the EAGALA method, a collaborative effort between a licensed therapist and a horse professional working with clients and horses to address treatment goals.
- January 26*** **Hoof Care & Trimming** – E. Jennifer Hall, D.V.M. of Coastal Valley Veterinary Services, will lead a discussion and demonstration of proper hoof care for goats, sheep and horses. Learn about dangers, treatment and prevention of diseases such as hoof rot and laminitis, and how to properly trim goat and sheep hooves.
- January 31** **Basic Dog Obedience** – Nichole Gretta, Assistant Manager of PetSense in Westbrook, will present a workshop on improving your dog’s manners. Participants are encouraged to bring their well-socialized dogs to the class, although enrollment will be limited. Dogs must provide proof of current vaccinations, including Rabies and Bordatella, to attend. Contact Amanda Thomson at thomsona@mpsct.org if you’d like to bring your dog.
- February 7** **Durham Animal Response Team (D.A.R.T.)** – A group of concerned citizens formed the D.A.R.T. group following the devastation and heartache of Hurricane Katrina, which has collaborated with animal care professionals and emergency management personnel to care for hundreds of pets, horses and livestock (and their owners) in the wake of evacuations and natural disasters. Learn how you can be prepared to provide for your pets and/or livestock animals in the event of an emergency, and provide support to others within your own community.

To register: Please complete and submit the attached form, call (860) 704-4599 X 4594 & leave message, or e-mail Megan Nesci at nescim@mpsct.org .

Directions to the new Ag Center at Middletown High School, 200 LaRosa Lane, Middletown:

From Rt. 9 North and South: Take Exit 15 (Washington St) off of Rt.9. Follow Washington St. 1 mile. Take right at traffic light onto Rt. 3 (Newfield St.). Continue 1.5 miles and take a left onto LaRosa Lane to Middletown High School. Proceed around left side of high school; Ag center main entrance is next to the four greenhouses.

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Registration Form

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Please describe your involvement with agriculture and Animal Science: _____

What are your Animal Science interests? (*Check all that apply*)

_____ Horses _____ Companion Animals _____ Livestock _____ Poultry

_____ Other: _____

Please indicate all classes you plan to attend:

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DURHAM ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAM

Please return forms to:

Attn: Megan Nesci
Middletown Vo-Ag
200 LaRosa Lane
Middletown, CT 06457

Or:

Phone: (860) 704-4599 X 4594
Fax: (860) 704-4588
E-mail: nescim@mpsct.org

Directions to the new Vo-Ag Center at Middletown High School, 200 LaRosa Lane, Middletown:

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