

# Lu's News



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## GARNAS EQUINE THERAPEUTIC SERVICES

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Massage
- \*Acupressure
- \*Natural Hoofcare

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## 2009 Brought Fun New Changes

Happy New Year! As twenty ten begins, Montana Equine Massage hopes this newsletter finds you in good health and well-rested after the holiday season. Please take a moment to take a break and read up on the new news at Montana Equine Massage!

### Introducing GarnasEquine.com...

In 2009, Montana Equine Massage and Performance Equine Transport combined efforts and created Garnas Equine. Although the businesses remain separate entities, you can find them both at <http://www.garnasequine.com>. On the site, you will find Aaron's hauling calendar, a link to my schedule of availability, and immediate updates on the Blog to determine where we are headed. Check back frequently to e-mail questions or comments, make travel inquiries, or just to say hello. You can also follow me on Facebook (group name is listed under "Garnas Equine").

### Montana Equine Massage Adds Acupressure!

July of 2009, I completed practitioner certification in Equine Acupressure. I continued this acupressure course of study until October, when I passed the National Board of Certification for Animal Acupressure & Massage Exams. I am now the *only* **Nationally Certified Equine Acupressure Practitioner in Montana...**and a few of the surrounding states. The combination of Massage and Acupressure makes each session that much more effective in combating presenting issues. The non-invasive aspect of Acupressure allows me to leave the caretaker with a few essential acupoints for use between sessions, thereby increasing the likelihood of success. To learn more about the benefits of acupressure, please visit <http://www.garnasequine.com>.

I continue to work with local veterinarians and hope to align the acupressure with local practicing veterinary acupuncture treatments as an option for follow-up care.

*Please note that as with any adjunctive modality, acupressure is NOT a replacement for excellent veterinary care.*

### Package Options!

If you are scheduled for a trimming and/or body work package, you will automatically be grouped on a day that I am in the immediate area – mileage, time, and scheduling conflicts can be reduced. If you are interested in monthly packages, please contact me directly.

## Upcoming Events:

### February:

*Performance Equine Transport* trip: MT to CA & AZ and back to MT. Space available. Contact Aaron @ 406.581.1780

### March:

*Montana Equine Massage* travels to Indio, in Thermal CA. Check it out: [www.hitsshows.com/](http://www.hitsshows.com/)

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Check out *Circle L Arena's Annual Horse Expo* on March 13-14. For more info, contact Lisa Armstrong @ 406.570.5711 or [www.circlelarena.com](http://www.circlelarena.com)

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Therapeutic Services

**406.581.1175**

Hauling Services

**406.581.1780**

**We're on the Web!**  
[www.garnasequine.com](http://www.garnasequine.com)

## It's A Mouthful!

Montana Equine Massage, Acupressure and Natural Performance Hoof care is a bit of a mouthful to try to say, let alone put on a t-shirt or business card. In the upcoming year, you will see changes in logo design, brochures, and text to focus on the primary goal of Montana Equine Massage – rehabilitating and maintaining the horse. The business name will remain the same, but we will now use the title "Equine Therapeutic Services," and bullet points to list services.

## Free Massage!

Montana Equine Massage depends almost completely upon word of mouth for its advertising. By consistently doing what is best for your horse, we have gained your trust of and commitment to the services. We hope that you will continue to tell your friends and acquaintances about Montana Equine Massage and earn your reward. During 2010, for each three body work referrals you send to Montana Equine Massage, you will receive **one free body work session**. It is my way of showing appreciation to those most devoted to their horses. Please make sure that you ask the referred client to let me know you referred them when they call!



## Going green...

In addition to adding the website and the on-line availability calendar, Montana Equine Massage is looking towards using technology smartly and efficiently. Invoices and newsletters can now be e-mailed directly to you. For those receiving this NEW quarterly newsletter by regular mail, please send in your e-mail address to be included in the E-version. Please notify me if you would prefer e-invoicing as well. At the moment, invoices are sent through Pay Pal. However, for your security and to avoid additional fees, please do NOT send payment through the Pay Pal system.

## Disclosure Statement

Payment is due at time of service. Invoicing is available for multiple horses or packages.

### Please Read the following changes to the invoicing policy.

Payment is due 15 days after invoice date.

Monthly invoices will be mailed/e-mailed no later than the 15th of each month.

A 5% late fee may be charged if payment is not received within 15 days of invoice.

Please note that there is a \$35 fee, per occurrence, for any payments returned by your bank.

**I look forward to working with you and your horses in 2010!  
Together, we will continue our work to ensure your horses'  
health and happiness!**

