

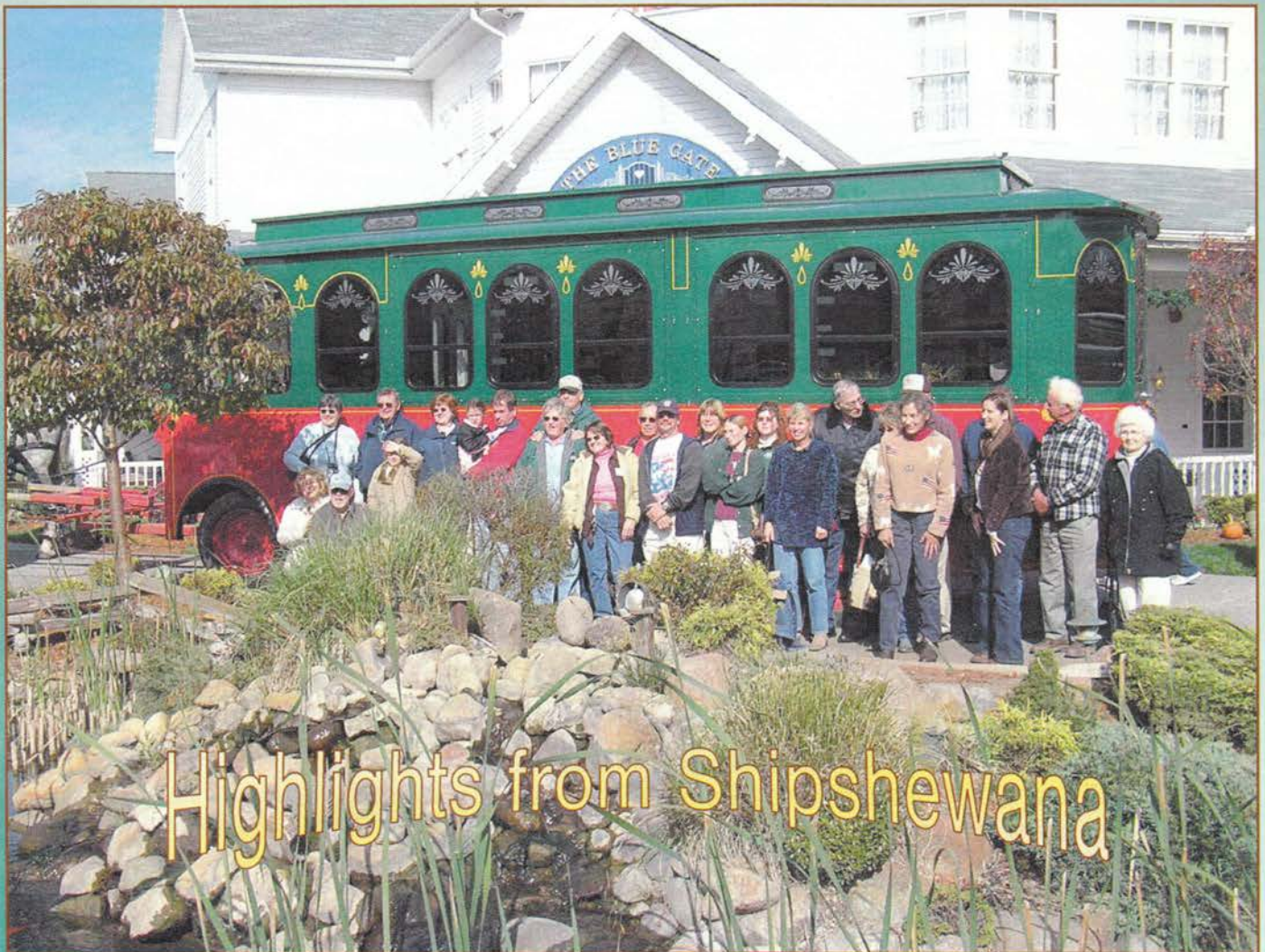


*American Cream News*

2006



SPECIAL  
EDITION



Highlights from Shipshewana



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*Jumper's Trouble*



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Dear Fellow Cream Members,

As you see, this issue is a bit large. I have still to place into print the list of transfers and the list of deceased animals, but that is an additional 5 pages. Once I go beyond 4 pages, I have to fill 4 more. That would have made this issue 28 pages long. Frankly, it would have "broken the bank" to print such a large issue. Please indulge me, and be understanding of the finances of the Association, and I will have them in the next issue. Also, note on page 8 a new list of publication deadlines. This will even out the arrivals of the NL a little better.

Thank you, *Nancy*

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above: Officer Anthony Chandler, up. Cadeuces is second from the left.

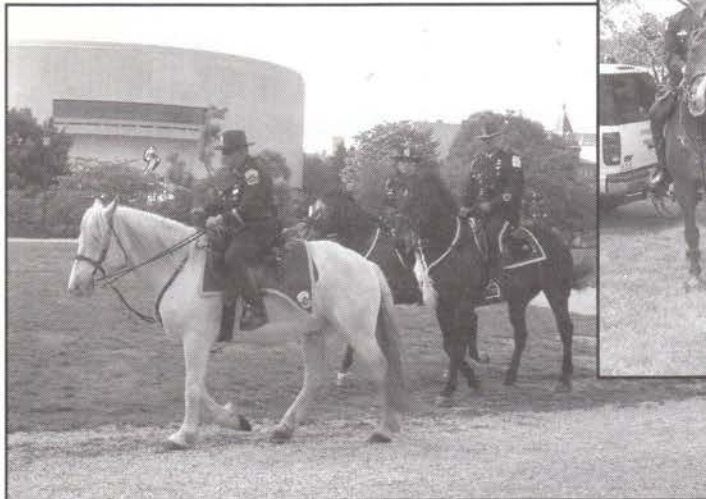
# American Cream Draft

on duty at

National Mall

in Washington, D.C.

during National Police Week



above and left: Officer Melvin Lee, up.

Photos courtesy of Frank Tremel.

Cadeuces, an American Cream Draft Horse, on duty at National Mall in Washington, DC during National Police Week. Owned by Ray Chairs, St. Lenord, MD, a Washington Policeman. Cadeuces is out of a grade mare owned by Elmer Hertzler and sired by Colonial Williamsburg Cream of Wheat.

FRONT COVER PICTURE (left to right): [Back row] Nancy Lively, Terrence & Marilyn Precord, Wendell Lupkes and his daughter Maggie, Don Johnson, Dan Zarske, Linda Corson, Dorothy Zarske, Carl Gray, Frank Tremel, John Schwartzler, Leonard Offutt, and Betsy Ziebell.  
 [Front row] Larry & Sue Engel, Sue's niece Ashlee, Linda Johnson, Sheila Johnson, Mike McBride, Tiffany Corson, Karen Smith, Sandy Schwartzler, Betsy Aufdenkamp, and Catherine Murphy.

EDITOR'S NOTE: In the September 2006 issue, the cover article was written by Dave Pshigoda's daughter, Lahrae. Her name was assigned to the end of the article, but in the translation between the editor's software and the printer's software, her name did not make it onto the page. My apologies to Lahrae. Photos were courtesy of Lahrae, as well.

**AMERICAN CREAM DRAFT HORSE ASSOCIATION  
2006 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES**

**BLUE GATE RESTAURANT  
SHIPSHEWANA, INDIANA**

**OCTOBER 21, 2006**

At 9:00 A.M., President Frank Tremel called the meeting to order.

**1. GREETINGS – SUE ENGEL**

Sue Engel welcomed everyone to Indiana.

**2. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND GUESTS**

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Frank Tremel-President (Maryland); Karen Smith-Vice President (Virginia); Nancy Lively- Secretary/Treasurer (Vermont); Linda Corson (Idaho); Don Johnson (Iowa) and Betsy Ziebell (Iowa).  
**MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Victoria Tollman (Kentucky); Sheila Johnson (Michigan); Mike McBride (Michigan); Larry and Sue Engel (Michigan); Betsy Aufdenkamp (California); Wendell Lupkes (Iowa); Carl Gray (Iowa); Leonard Offutt (Maryland); Catherine Murphy (Maryland); Linda Johnson (Iowa); John and Sandy Schwartzler (California); Terry and Marilyn Precord (Maryland) and Dan and Dorothy Zarske (Michigan).

**GUESTS:** Betsy Ziebell's daughter Mary Lou; Mike McBride's friend Nancy; Sue Engel's niece Ashlee and Linda Corson's daughter-in-law Tiffany.

**3. APPROVE 2006 AGENDA**

*Karen Smith moved and Betsy Ziebell seconded to approve the 2006 Agenda as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.*

**4. APPROVE 2005 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES**

*Karen Smith moved and Linda Johnson seconded to waive the reading of and to approve the 2005 Annual Meeting Minutes as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.*

**5. SECRETARY'S REPORT**

**2006 ACDHA SECRETARY'S REPORT  
AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2006**

**1. MEMBERSHIP**

93 Full Members – 7 new from Arizona, California, Maryland, Michigan, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia since September 2005.

**2. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP**

27 Associate Members – 4 new from California, Colorado and Massachusetts since September 2005.

**3. REGISTERED HORSES**

369 with full registrations –  
193 females (141 four and over; 52 under four)  
176 males (58 two and over; 22 under two; 96 geldings)

57 with tracking registration –  
43 females (31 four and over; 12 under four)  
14 males (11 two and over; 3 under two)

*A total of 495 horses have been registered since 1982.*

**4. NEW REGISTRATIONS, TRANSFERS AND DECEASED HORSES SINCE  
SEPTEMBER 2005**

*Registrations:* 33 full registrations – (24 females; 9 males)  
6 tracking registrations – (4 females; 2 males)

*Transfers:* 30 full registrations and 6 tracking registrations

*Deceased:* 12 horses – 6 females (4 over four)  
6 males (5 over two; 1 under 2)

#### **5. 2005 STALLION REPORT**

9 Stallions bred 33 mares –

Full Registered Cream Mares	-	19
Tracking Mares	-	9
Other Draft Breed Mare	-	5 (includes 4 Belgian and 1 Percheron)

#### **6. 2005 FOALING REPORT**

38 Mares foaled as follows:

26 Cream to Cream	-	22 Cream foals, 4 Off Colored foals
11 Tracking to Cream	-	9 Cream foal, 2 Off Colored foals
1 Other Draft Breed to Cream	-	1 Off Colored foal

59 mares were serviced in 2004 – only 38 were reported to have foaled in 2005.

#### **7. DNA TESTING**

6 DNA Test Kits were purchased with 3 results in on the following:

#589 Corson's Timothy's Earl                      #616 Corson's Duke's Millie  
#T00154 Warrior Princess

#### **8. JEB TESTING**

193 Non-Carriers – 66 males and 127 females  
33 Carriers – 11 males and 22 females

#### **9. MEMBERS NOT CURRENT ON DUES**

The Secretary recommends dropping the following members if dues are not current by December 31, 2006:

# 86 Douglas Smith                      # 87 William & Joan Cronin                      #135 Jeanmarie Kapp  
#146 William & Judith Heffernan                      #195 Jason & Kimberly DiPietro #203 James Bryant

#### **10. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS NOT CURRENT ON DUES**

The Secretary recommends dropping the following members if dues are not current by December 31, 2006:

#A 20 Daniel Pierce                      #A 43 Robert Krasche                      #A102 Jerry Watson  
#A106 Shari Schroeder                      #A118 Dane Morat

*Betsy Ziebell moved and Catherine Murphy seconded to approve the 2006 Secretary's Report as submitted.  
The motion carried unanimously.*

#### **6. TREASURER'S REPORT**

##### **American Cream Draft Horse Association**

##### **Income and Expense Statement as of September 30, 2006**

Editor's Note: The next section will be laid out in landscape so the Treasurer's spreadsheet columns remain aligned from top to bottom.

<u>Income</u>	<u>Actual Amount</u>	<u>Budget Amount</u>	<u>% of Vari- ance</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Dues	3,620.00	2,375.00	152.42%	
Registrations	1,000.00	1,000.00	100.00%	
Transfers	810.00	400.00	202.50%	
DNA Testing	180.00	150.00	120.00%	
JEB Testing	760.00	1,000.00	76.00%	
Merchandise	1,442.50	2,000.00	72.13%	
Advertising	196.00	100.00	196.00%	
2005 Silent Auction	588.00	750.00	78.40%	
Interest	9.65	10.00	96.50%	
	8,606.15	7,785.00	110.55%	
Misc. Income- unbudgeted	166.00			Herdbook-30; 2005 Lunch-26; M.O. for ret. check and fee-60; Donation-50
2006 Annual Meeting- unbudgeted	794.25			
Calendars- unbudgeted	330.00			
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>9,896.40</b>	<b>7,785.00</b>	<b>127.12%</b>	
<u>Expense</u>	<u>Actual Amount</u>	<u>Budget Amount</u>	<u>% of Vari- ance</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Postage	955.21	1,100.00	86.84%	
Computer Maintenance	0.00	200.00	0.00%	
Advertising	822.80	600.00	137.13%	
Office Expenses	610.58	1,000.00	61.06%	
Telephone	21.30	150.00	14.20%	
Credit Card Expense	153.99	125.00	123.19%	
DNA Testing	108.00	135.00	80.00%	
JEB Testing	875.00	875.00	100.00%	
Website	130.37	100.00	130.37%	
Newsletter	774.87	1,300.00	59.61%	
Merchandise	483.22	750.00	64.43%	
ALBC Dues	30.00	30.00	100.00%	
Miscellaneous	83.94	100.00	83.94%	Returned check and fee-60; Book for archives- 23.94

Misc. Expense- <u>unbudgeted</u>	5,049.28	6,465.00	78.10%	2005 Annual Meeting-557.50; Horse Progress Days booth-75
2006 Annual Meeting- <u>unbudgeted</u> Calendars- <u>unbudgeted</u>	0.00 1,110.00			
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>6,791.78</b>	<b>6,465.00</b>	<b>105.05%</b>	

**Cash Balances as of Sept 30, 2006**

Checking Savings	676.62	as of 9/30/06 stmt	9/30/05 Bal	3,528.82
	5,956.82	as of 9/30/06 stmt	2006 Inc.	9,896.40
			2006 Exp.	(6,791.78)
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,633.44</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>6,633.44</b>

Betsy Ziebell moved and Linda Corson seconded to approve the 2006 Treasurer's Report as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

**Marketing Strategies Needed**

by Catherine Murphy

In attending the 2006 annual meeting, the topic of marketing came up in numerous conversations. The membership by and large feels the focus of the organization is changing. We're getting a number of Creams "on the ground" and have exhausted the practice of selling animals to each other for breeding. Now what? How do we best market the Creams? If the breed is to survive, we need to get our animals in the hands of new owners. Owners who will increase the Creams visibility in the marketplace create more demand for those of us who are breeders. It's a vicious cycle, what comes first - the chicken or the egg, or more directly the horse or the market?

During our marketing discussions, getting the most "bang for our buck" came up. I think a good idea would be to take a cooperative ad in the Draft Horse Journal. DHJ has a circulation of 20,000, so the visibility would be high. If we took out a 2/3 page add in the Draft Horse Journal the cost would be \$1,375 for a year contract. If 10 people signed up to list their farm names that comes to \$137.50 per person. If we added a picture (that could be changed each issue) it adds \$10 per issue. Of course the more people who sign up, the cost will decrease and/or the size of the ad can be increased.

I am volunteering to coordinate the effort, please contact me at [deepvalleyfarm@hotmail.com](mailto:deepvalleyfarm@hotmail.com) or 301-788-7498 if interested.

Looking forward to hearing from you!

Cat Murphy

*EQUINE JOURNAL - November 2006*

Be sure to pick up a copy of the November issue of *Equine Journal*. Victoria Tollman, Executive Director of Equus Survival Trust, has an article in there entitled: "Endangered Breeds: Endangered Horses"

The article features a couple of breeds of equines, and the American Cream Draft is first within the article.

## 2006 ACDHA Meeting Events

by Susan Engel

The sounds of horses clopping along the streets make's one think they have gone back to the days of the horse and buggy, but it is just the everyday mode of travel for an Amish community in northern Indiana. Members attending this year's meeting in Shipshewana, Indiana toured a carriage shop, a harness shop, an Amish buggy shop, and an Amish museum. We dined at an Amish home having the popular Haystack dinner, homemade oatmeal bread and home-baked pumpkin and pecan pies; The popular Auction Restaurant open only on days when the livestock and horse auctions are scheduled (every Friday is the horse auction); The Blue Gate Restaurant where they served up a scrumptious-all you care to eat family-style meal, complete with homemade bread and fresh baked pies. Our meeting lunch, also at the Blue Gate Restaurant of a garden salad, homemade soup and bread followed by more pies. Some were entertained with a ventriloquist at the Blue Gate Theater and all were treated to a trolley ride pulled by three large Percheron horses around the town of Shipshewana. The secretary covers the meeting in her minutes detailing all we discussed, so I will leave that to her.

The carriage shop we visited was Troyer's Carriage where we saw the workings of true craftsmen building carriages and carts from the raw materials to the final product. The most meticulous detail goes into design and quality to construct a safe, reliable horse-drawn vehicle for the years to come. There were several vis-à-vis carriages in different stages of production. The shop had three employees fastidiously working to fill orders which at times have shipped worldwide. Custom is not an extra to these folks but a way of pleasing customers so they return. There is a well-stocked saddlery to the front of the carriage business which keeps the husband and wife, owners of both establishments, busy. We were very grateful for their kindness and to see the carriage builders working behind the saddlery.

The harness shop is a favorite of ours since the majority of our harnesses have been purchased there. Shipshewana Harness is owned by Bob Shrock, but the majority of the harness assembly is done by his Amish employees, Carl and Sue. We were taken into the actual harness "factory," a large room located in the upstairs of the harness shop. Leather and biothane harness are both made there in any size or detail wanted. A lot of the day to day business is in repairing and restoring harness to safe working condition. It was good to see how harness is made and what we should look out for when purchasing a harness.

The next place of interest we visited was Hoosier's Buggy Shop. We met the proprietor, Mr. Miller and found him working on restoring an antique Studebaker buggy for a museum. He explained how he was one of the first to set up and operate an assembly line buggy shop. He took great pride in explaining how they had to modernize and turn out quality and quantities of buggies each day. We got to see one of his buggies first hand and were amazed at the detail it had, for example: windshield wipers, turn signals, four-way flashers, a heater, etc. all run from a battery kept charged with a solar panel mounted to the top of the buggy. We learned information about making wheels and how to determine if they were made correctly. We viewed a Russian sleigh he was restoring and the beautiful upholstery work he had done to complete this piece. Member Betsy Aufdenkamp from California became excited when Mr. Miller was willing to sell a hub boring machine that he no longer used; she had finally found the right gift for husband Dennis back home tending the horses.

The first and certainly not the last was the tour of the Menno-hof museum where we all learned about the plight of the Anabaptist followers and the persecution in Europe that led them to the United States and other countries where they can live their beliefs freely. Being Amish is a religion and a culture for the descendents of the Anabaptist followers, it is by choice that they live and work without the modern conveniences of electricity and telephones in their homes and own horses and buggies for travel instead of automobiles. It was very interesting to hear the history of their religion and what it means for them today.

It was great visiting with everyone who attended our annual meeting. We look forward to the days Wendell Lupkes, along with Don Johnson, have set aside for the 2007 annual meeting in Waverly, Iowa.

### NEW SUBMISSION DEADLINES

Spring.....Feb 15

Summer.....May 15

Fall.....Aug 15

Special Edition.....Nov 15

**This should put the issues in the mail approximately by the ends of these months.**



## After the Meeting -- Staying at St. Gregory's Abbey

by Betsy Aufdenkamp

When our official meeting came to a close, it was time for the dessert part of the trip, going out to see some *American Creams!* We all met for dinner in Three Rivers, MI, where Sue & Larry Engel, Sheila Johnson, and Mike McBride all live.

Remember that the Engels had offered in our newsletter that we could stay at a monastery in their neighborhood? Well, my curiosity was high, along with the desire to see the horses that we could visit on Sunday afternoon. By the time my flights were booked, it worked out that I would need to spend two nights there, in order to fly out on Monday. So I checked with Sue to see if that would be O.K., and then I could start fretting about the details ... What to wear to church on Sunday? (It's been many years.) Dennis had me almost convinced that any accommodations at a monastery would surely be Spartan, if not downright primitive. Another communication with Sue assured me it would all be just fine.

So Saturday night after dinner, I followed the Engels out to St. Gregory's, (it was very dark) drove past a beautiful stone barn, and up a dirt lane, about a quarter of a mile from the main buildings, then we pulled up in front of a brand new brick house. Designed by Larry and decorated by Sue, this lovely 3 bedroom, 2 bath home was built to replace "old" guest quarters. It has hardwood floors in the main area, an ample kitchen with every convenience, and Larry and Sue had brought in food, too! Lots of food, a dozen breakfast muffins, cereal, coffee, jugs of milk and orange juice, grapes, bananas, nothing Spartan about this! And because there were no other guests, I had this whole house to myself! I played the piano for a little while, then picked a bed and turned in for a good night's sleep.

When daylight came, the true splendor of the setting could be appreciated, the trees were dressed in red and gold, a cloudy sky reflected on the lake just below the house, all of this framed by the glass doors of a great room -- truly "picture" windows! It was a beautiful walk down to the Abbey, where more of our Cream owners would meet for Church. After services, we were treated to a tour of the buildings, old and new, including Sue's room, where she has everything neatly at hand to meet the sewing needs of the Monks. What an interesting place, and way of life, so different from our hectic world.

We Cream owners all met at "my" house for lunch, with, you guessed it, plenty of food! There were now about a dozen of us, and it was fun getting out the extra

chairs and trays, but we weren't entertaining very long, because we were eager to go see some horses!

Sheila Johnson lives closest to St. Gregory's, she gets credit for spreading the joy of Creams to her neighbors, the Engels and Mike McBride. It was great to hear some of the background stories of the people and horses, as we drove from one place to the next.

Sheila has Clar Ann Dick, a herd of mares, and one gelding, Rascal. Now, it was just starting to rain, but Sheila walked me out in the pasture to see all the mares - quite an impressive sight! Dick was gracious enough to let me scratch his neck and cheek through his stall front.

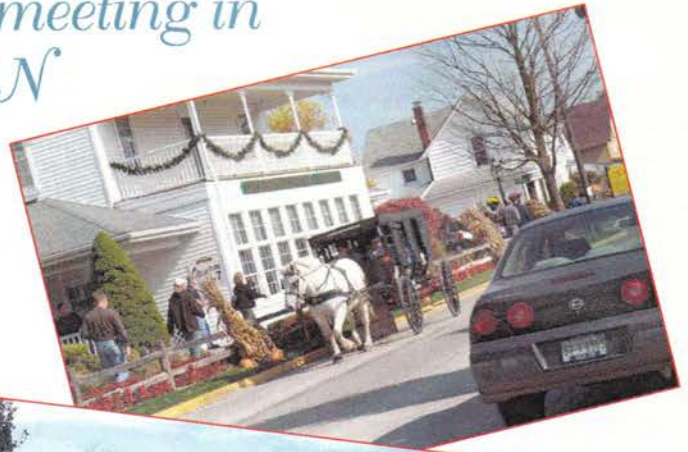
We went to Larry & Sue Engel's next, where they had brought into the barn some of their herd of Mini Horses, as well as their Creams, now that's a contrast! With their backs to us in their tie stalls, we could see the lineup of steaming rumps, weanling, yearling, and two mares. Larry then showed us his carriage barn with their wagons, carts, harness, and works in progress.

We were trying to time our visit to Mike McBride's place to avoid the rain, but rain wouldn't stop us! Mike had his four, harnessed, abreast, patiently waiting in the barn aisle, just wide enough to accommodate them. Mike ground drove them out of the barn door and halted them. Then he backed them, neatly, back through the door and into the barn. Then, in the aisle of the barn, he cued them over, and around, rotating the hitch to face the back wall. The four horses did this in unison and without fuss. They stood quietly until Mike asked them to move, rotating to be facing the door again. These exercises showed how much Mike works with his horses, and he explained that he is usually by himself, so the horses have to wait while he opens barn doors and gates. They stood while he hitched them to the wagon, and though it was starting to rain pretty good, we all voted to go for the wagon ride anyway. And this really was a great, to be riding in a Cream-drawn wagon, visiting along the way with these great folks that we really only get to see once a year, with beautiful scenery and the leaves falling off the trees. Finally the rain got the better of us, and all too soon, Mike was using his one special-voice command, (you'll just have to ask him about that) and it was time to head back to hot coffee in a dry house. Reluctantly, we all started to say our goodbyes, with hopes of keeping in touch throughout the year.

A big Thank You is in order for our hosts on Sunday, who also coordinated the activities leading up to and including our official meeting.

GOOD JOB!

# Scenes from the annual meeting in Shipshewana, IN



PHOTOS COURTESY OF  
VICTORIA TOLLMAN



PHOTOS COURTESY OF  
NANCY LIVELY



Photos courtesy of Karen Smith



Karen Smith, (lt) ACDHA's 1st Editor 1991-2004 (mbr # 69), and Betsy Ziebell (rt) (#63) ACDHA's 2nd Sec/Treas 1991 - 2002.

7. 2007 PROPOSED BUDGET**2007 ACDHA PROPOSED BUDGET****INCOME**

<b>Annual Dues (100 @ 25)</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	
<b>Registrations</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	
<b>Transfers</b>	<b>750.00</b>	
<b>DNA Testing (5 @ 30)</b>	<b>150.00</b>	
<b>JEB Testing (20 @ 40)</b>	<b>800.00</b>	
<b>Merchandise</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>	
<b>2007 Annual Meeting</b>	<b>500.00</b>	
<b>2007 Calendars</b>	<b>1,200.00</b>	
<b>2008 Calendars</b>	<b>300.00</b>	
<b>2006 Silent Auction</b>	<b>500.00</b>	
<b>Advertising</b>	<b>200.00</b>	
<b>Interest</b>	<b>10.00</b>	
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<b>100.00</b>	
		<b>9,510.00</b>

**EXPENSES**

<b>Postage</b>	<b>1,100.00</b>	
<b>Computer Maintenance</b>	<b>200.00</b>	
<b>Advertising</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	
<b>Office Expense</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	
<b>Telephone</b>	<b>100.00</b>	
<b>Credit Card Expense</b>	<b>150.00</b>	
<b>DNA Testing (5 @ 27)</b>	<b>135.00</b>	
<b>JEB Testing (20 @ 35)</b>	<b>750.00</b>	
<b>Website</b>	<b>150.00</b>	
<b>Newsletter (4 issues)</b>	<b>1,300.00</b>	
<b>Merchandise</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	
<b>ALBC Dues</b>	<b>30.00</b>	
<b>2006 Annual Meeting</b>	<b>750.00</b>	
<b>2008 Calendars</b>	<b>1,200.00</b>	
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<b>100.00</b>	
		<b>8,965.00</b>

**NET INCOME****545.00**

*Betsy Ziebell moved and Terry Precord seconded to approve the 2006 Proposed Budget as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.*

**8. NEWSLETTER REPORT**

In Nancy Phillips' absence, Nancy Lively reported that, through Nancy Phillips, the American Dexter Cattle Association has agreed to let us participate in their bulk mailing agreement. Each bulk mailing must consist of at least 200 pieces that is mailed at a much lower postage rate. This means that we now have 200 copies of the Newsletter printed each time so there are extras available. Contact Nancy Phillips if you would like extra newsletters mailed to you. It was the consensus of the membership that our Newsletter is a tremendous resource and an excellent tool to encourage new buyers to join the Association. A reminder – please get your photos and articles to Nancy Phillips by the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month that the Newsletter comes out – January, May and September. A "Thank You" card was signed by everyone and mailed to Nancy in appreciation of the fine job that she is doing with the Newsletter.

***NOTICE!***

Please submit any photos for the **2008** ACDHA calendar by March 31, 2007, to:

Sue Engel  
54658 Bent Road  
Marcellus, MI 49067

9. WEBSITE REPORT

In George Miller's absence, it was agreed by all that George has done a great job redesigning our website. George is presently working on monitoring the guest book page to ensure that all entries are appropriate. Everyone is encouraged to make use of what our website has to offer. A "Thank You" card was signed by everyone and mailed to George in appreciation of the fine job that he is doing with the website

10. 2007 CALENDAR REPORT

Sue Engel reported that she had done the 2007 calendar from a kit and that there were 68 calendars left to be sold. Everyone was pleased with the end result of the 2007 calendar.

11. 2008 CALENDAR

*Linda Johnson moved and Sheila Johnson seconded to have Sue Engel do a 2008 calendar. All photos must be to Sue by March 1, 2007 and sent to the Board for their comments and approval by April 1, 2007 so that the 2008 ACDHA Calendar will be available for sale by July 1, 2007. The initial order will be for 100 calendars.*

12. SECONDARY LOGO

Betsy Aufdenkamp presented a secondary, simpler black and white logo for use on brochures and merchandise that can be reproduced less expensively than our primary logo.

*Mike McBride moved and Catherine Murphy seconded to accept the secondary logo with the addition of lines for the mane, forelock, nostrils and eyes. The motion carried unanimously.*

Victoria Tollman will add the lines for the mane, forelock, nostrils and eyes and submit to the Board for approval.

13. NEW BROCHURE

Although we still have a sufficient supply of brochures for a year or two, it is time to start thinking about the design of the next one, or ones. Linda Corson, Karen Smith and Betsy Ziebell will serve on the New Brochure Committee and bring a final black and white brochure design, as well as, a colored brochure plan to the 2007 meeting.

14. MERCHANDISE

One of the responsibilities of the Secretary has been to order and maintain the Association's merchandise. This is a task that does not need to be done by the Secretary, and since it is in the best interest of the Association to lighten the work load of one individual, Marilyn Precord volunteered to take over this task. Merchandise purchases can be done by contacting either Nancy Lively or Marilyn Precord.

15. MEMBERSHIP MAILINGS

Again, in an attempt to reallocate the Secretary's work load, Sandy Schwartzler and Betsy Aufdenkamp volunteered to send out the annual mailing that follows the annual meeting. The Secretary will provide them with the original packet and they will do all of the copying and mailing.

16. MARKETING AND ADVERTISING

- HORSE PROGRESS DAYS – The Association had a booth at the 2006 Horse Progress Days and there was a good representation of Cream horses with their excellent disposition. We will have a similar showing in 2007 in Illinois.
- KENTUCKY HORSE PARK – Victoria Tollman explained a couple of programs that the Kentucky Horse Park is offering to the Association. They are looking for a Cream to be on loan to them during their season from April to October and they are looking for a team of Creams to buy to pull their visitor trolleys. \$3,000 is their maximum budget. Anyone interested please contact the Kentucky Horse Park to discuss the details. Also, the Association hopes to have a Cream hitch and booth at their show in July 2008. This will be on next year's meeting agenda.

EQUINE JOURNAL – Victoria Tollman stated that the Equine Journal has a couple of advertising options available. First, there is an Affiliation Program for \$700/year with classified ads and subscriptions available to all advertisers. Second, we can get a full page ad to appear in the next issue for \$500. The deadline for this was within the next week and not really practical for the Association to pull together. However, a full page ad can be purchased to appear at a later date, as well.

*Linda Johnson moved and Linda Corson seconded to have the Association pay \$100 toward a full page ad in the Equine Journal to appear once during the upcoming year with the balance to come from the members. The motion carried unanimously.*

*Catherine Murphy moved and Karen Smith seconded to not have the Association participate in the annual rates but have individuals pursue as they wish. The motion carried unanimously.*

Catherine Murphy will coordinate a member's group ad for a half page in the Draft Horse Journal, as well as, spearhead the Association's marketing strategy for the future.

#### 17. 2006 PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGED

#### 2006 PROPOSED ACDHA BY-LAW CHANGES

() = Deletions

\_ = Additions

### **MOTION #1:**

Moved by Betsy Ziebell.

ARTICLE I. CORPORATION

(The Board of Trustees of the Corporation of the American Cream Draft Horse Association shall consist of the elected directors of the American Cream Draft Horse Association.)

The Corporation Number is 84465. The Certificate Number is AO50844. An Iowa Nonprofit Biennial Report is to be filed with the Secretary of the State of Iowa at [www.sos.state.ia.us](http://www.sos.state.ia.us) no later than April 1 of odd numbered years. Click on "Biennial Report" within the box marked "Online Filing". This report asks for the names and addresses of the Officers.

Elizabeth A. Ziebell shall act as the registered agent for the American Cream Draft Horse Association, (2065 Noble Avenue, Charles City, Iowa 50616-9108. Phone 641-228-5308.) 1320 Locust Street, Webster City, IA 50595-2653. Phone 515-832-2878. Alternate shall be Donald Johnson, (511 East First Street, Huxley, Iowa 50124, phone 515-597-3311.) 3009 Vale, Russell, IA 50238, Phone 641-897-3311 or other member living in Iowa.

Reasoning: The new first paragraph states information needed to file the report in the event neither agent listed is able to act. The change in the last paragraph is necessary to update addresses and phone numbers for both listed agents.

*Motion #1 was seconded by Linda Johnson and carried unanimously.*

### **MOTION #2: TABLED IN 2005**

Moved by David Lively.

ARTICLE II. ELECTIONS

B. During each annual meeting, (thereafter,) the acting President shall appoint a Nominating Committee, consisting of no less than three members, who have consented (in writing) to serve. *The rest of Section IB. remains the same.*

Reasoning: Those who agree to serve need only give their word as members in good standing.

*Betsy Ziebell moved and Linda Corson seconded to have Motion #2 taken off the table. The motion carried unanimously.*

*Motion #2 was seconded by Wendell Lupkes and carried unanimously.*

### **MOTION #3:**

Moved by Betsy Ziebell.

ARTICLE II. ELECTIONS

B. With one exception, during each annual meeting, thereafter, the acting President shall appoint a Nominating Committee, consisting of no less than three members, who have consented in writing to serve. They shall present to the President by April 1 of the following year, the names of no less than three members in good standing who have (agreed in writing to allow their names to be on the ballot) submitted a list of qualifications for election to a three year term as director at the upcoming Annual Meeting. Beginning in 2008, and each three years thereafter, the term of the director serving as secretary/treasurer will not automatically expire. Only one director will be elected. The exception will be if the person serving in that capacity notifies the directors in writing of the desire to resign or the directors ask in writing for the resignation. In either event, the president will notify the chairperson of the nominating committee that they are to request persons interested in becoming secretary/treasurer to so state and submit their qualifications to be published in the Cream News Letter. In that event, the nominating committee members shall consider the voting ballots for the office of secretary/treasurer separate from the ballots for a director not indicating a desire to be secretary/treasurer. Said names shall be mailed to the editor of the

Cream newsletter by the Secretary **distinguishing those nominees for secretary/treasurer from those nominees up for election as a director**, for publication on the mail-in-ballot which will be printed and mailed with the Spring issue of the Cream Newsletter. Each full member shall have one vote. Persons holding joint membership shall have one vote per membership. The ballot shall be marked and returned in a 3 x 5 sealed envelope inside a stamped mailing envelope addressed to the secretary of the Association by June 15 of the year in which the election is held. These sealed 3 x 5 envelopes shall be opened, tallied and reported at the Annual Meeting by a member or members present of the Nominating Committee. In the event of a tie vote, the Nominating Committee members present shall vote to break the tie and report only the **(two) one** elected who shall hold office until their successors are elected and succeed them to office.

C. At each annual meeting thereafter, **(two directors shall be chosen by ballot of the members for a term of three years to hold office until their successors are elected and succeed them to office.) the committee on nominations shall announce a director, or directors, to fill the vacancy, or vacancies, on the board of directors for a three-year term and a director to fill the vacancy on the board as the secretary/treasurer for an indefinite time, as needed.**

REASONING: The office of secretary/treasurer is one which requires a thorough knowledge of the history of the Association and a familiarity with the by-laws and the procedures to perform the duties required of the office. The secretary owns the computer on which she has installed the 'horse software' purchased through a donation from a member. This saved the association the round trip air fare and a week's board and room for the maker of this software. (This is the same horse software used by several of the other breed secretaries.) The association owns the safe, typewriter, files and telephone appliance which makes possible using a credit card for transactions. To date, the directors have not put in print the expectations they have of the secretary/treasurer but it is being strongly considered. (Your input will be considered). It will be mailed to those interested persons seeking nomination the next time the office is vacant. We need to consider the expense which would be involved in a change of secretary/treasurer at three-year intervals and the loss of expertise gained through serving in this office. This would make C. moved by David Lively unnecessary.

Wendell Lupkes noted for discussion of possibly making the Secretary a non-director, and Karen Smith added that, in other associations, the Secretary is a paid position.

***Motion #3 was seconded by Karen Smith and carried unanimously.***

#### **MOTION #4: TABLED IN 2005**

Moved by David Lively.

Section II. Officers

**(At the close of the first annual meeting, the directors so elected shall elect from their own group, a president, a vice-president, and a secretary-treasurer to serve for one year.)**

**A. Beginning in 2008, the office of secretary/treasurer will begin for a term of six years, with that director's position going before the membership for vote again in 2014. Each year that the director/secretary/treasurer position is up for election, proper notice will be provided in the newsletter to the membership distinguishing those that are running for Secretary from those just running for director.**

#### **MOTION #5: TABLED IN 2005**

Moved by David Lively.

**C. If the Secretary is not performing his/her duties due to negligence, illness or death, the Board of Directors will decide the appropriate course of action for the good of the Association.**

REASONING: Given the importance of the position to the Association, there needs to be some provision for dealing with the job not being done.

***Since Motion #3 passed, this motion is now out of order.***

#### **MOTION #6:**

Moved by Betsy Ziebell.

**(B. During a designated break at each annual meeting, the Nominating Committee will announce the elected directors and then the Board of Directors will meet to elect from their group the Officers. All other Board of Directors business will take place at the close of meeting.)**

REASONING: This motion carried but no additions to the bylaws were made available to the members following the 2005 meeting. The Reasoning the maker gave was: "This will inform those interested enough in going to the meeting who their officers are for the upcoming year and is dependent upon passage of A. above as it pertains to the Secretary". The motion A. mentioned was withdrawn as being out of order. Therefore, this motion should not have been brought to the floor for consideration. It cannot become a part of the bylaws. In addition, this motion seeks to give the newly elected director(s) power which does not begin until the present meeting is adjourned.

*Motion #6 was seconded by Wendell Lupkes and carried unanimously.*

### **MOTION #7:**

**Moved by Betsy Ziebell.**

At the close of the first annual meeting, the directors so elected shall elect from their own group, a president, a vice-president, and a secretary-treasurer to serve for one year. At the close of each annual meeting, the director(s) so elected shall elect from their own group, a president and a vice-president to serve for one year. The secretary shall include this information as well as the Nominating Committee members in her Minutes of the meeting which will be printed in the next edition of the Cream News Letter following the annual meeting. This information will also be entered on the web page.

REASONING: This information should be available to all members.

*Motion #7 was seconded by Karen Smith and carried unanimously.*

### **MOTION #8:**

**Moved by Linda Corson.**

B. During a designated break at each annual meeting, the Nominating Committee will announce the elected directors and then the Board of Directors will meet to elect from their group the Officers. **(All other Board of Directors business will take place at the close of meeting.) The President shall call for a meeting of the new board of Directors after the Annual meeting.**

REASONING: The board must not be limited as to when it can meet.

Since Motion #6 passed, Motion #8 was amended as follows:

**B. During a designated break at each annual meeting, the Nominating Committee will announce the elected directors. The President shall call for a meeting of the new Board of Directors after the Annual Meeting and as the need arises.**

*Motion #8 was seconded as amended by Sandy Schwartzler and carried unanimously.*

### **MOTION #9:**

**Moved by Betsy Ziebell.**

ARTICLE III. MEETINGS

Section IV. Notification.

B. The Secretary must **(mail the members) make available to the members either by direct mail, e-mail or the Cream Newsletter** the following within thirty (30) days after the **annual** meeting:

1. Current member list with horses owned.
2. Current associate member list.
3. Herdbook updates reflecting Registrations, **Tracking, (and) Transfers, Number of Certificate of Registration of Tracking and the number of the Transfer and deaths of animals** since the previous year's annual meeting.
4. Minutes of the current years annual meeting.
5. Copy of By-Laws reflecting approved changes at current year's annual meeting.

REASONING: The secretary is submitting this information to the editor of the Cream News Letter to update the Herd Book. Not all members order a Herd Book but they should have this same information to keep their copy of the Herd Book up-to-date.

In 2005 the secretary opted not to send the required Herd Book updates reflecting transfers or to print and make available to changes in the bylaws. (Letter of November 28). Both of these actions are in violation of the bylaws. It is a



GIVEN in an Association that all of the bylaws are followed by all members. When a member wishes to change a bylaw it must come before all of the members at an annual meeting for vote. The credibility of the membership in the directors is extremely important and must be closely guarded.

*Motion #9 was seconded by Don Johnson and carried unanimously.*

### **MOTION #10:**

**Moved by Betsy Ziebell.**

ARTICLE VI. REGISTRATION.

**That the Registration No. 603 on Denali's Kiowa, Male, foaled 10-3-04, registered 9-18-05 a Light Cream, DARK SKIN, Amber Eyes – Sire No. 231, C.W. Cream of the Crop and Dam No. 381, Rose Hill Cream of Wheat Belle – Owner: Shaun & Jennifer McKinley be recalled.**

REASONING: Registration of a dark skinned American Cream Draft is in violation of the Bylaws of the American Cream Draft Horse Association.

*Motion #10 was seconded by Don Johnson and carried unanimously.*

Even though the registration as it presently exists has been recalled, Wendell Lupkes will be contacting Dr. Sponenberg when the annual mailing has been done and all registrations have been updated. See the motion in #21 OTHER BUSINESS.

**Moved by Betsy Ziebell.**

ARTICLE VI. REGISTRATION.

ARTICLE VII. REGISTRATION OF FOALS CONCEIVED BY ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION.

ARTICLE VIII. REGISTRATION OR APPENDIX TRACKING OF FOALS RESULTING FROM AN EMBRYO TRANSFER.

Section II. Requirements for Registration.

A.1.c. Pink Skin. **A change in the bylaws to permit such a registration must first be approved by the members.**

REASONING: Dr. Sponenberg advises that registering a dark skinned male American Cream Draft Horse, even though it is from an 'underrepresented' sire AND dam would set a bad precedent. The bylaws for tracking of males also prohibits the tracking of a dark skinned male.

*This was included as a motion in error, and therefore, withdrawn.*

### **MOTION #11:**

**Moved by Linda Corson.**

ARTICLE VI. REGISTRATION.

ARTICLE VII. REGISTRATION OF FOALS CONCEIVED BY ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION.

ARTICLE VIII. REGISTRATION OR APPENDIX TRACKING OF FOALS RESULTING FROM AN EMBRYO TRANSFER.

Section II. Requirements for Registration.

2. Exceptions: A cream mare with (**dark**) **mottled** skin and light mane and tail will be accepted in this Association for foundation Stock. Stallions, however, must have pink skin and white mane and tail to be accepted for registry.

REASONING: There is currently no definition of mottling as a skin color. Consequently pink skinned horses with mottling are being registered as dark skinned, which they are not. A dark skinned horse should more technically be a black skinned. Also dark skinned mares were allowed only because of the low numbers of registered Creams. Our numbers are up enough to consider classifying the dark or black skinned as Tracking. This would also create a third category of skin color.

*It was decided that there are not enough horses to redefine. Motion #11 was withdrawn.*

**MOTION #12:****Moved by Linda Corson.**

Section II. Requirements for Registration.

2. Exceptions: A cream mare with dark skin and light mane and tail will be accepted in this Association for foundation Stock. Stallions, however, must have pink skin and white mane and tail to be accepted for registry. **Stallions from endangered bloodlines that do not meet all requirements of normal registration may have full registration. This must be decided by a simple majority vote of the directors. Directors may choose to register said horse as a Tracking Stallion with registerable offspring only in Cream to Cream, or Cream to Tracking matings.**

REASONING: We have no current safe guard for our rare sire bloodlines. This By-law change is an effort to make sure that these valuable bloodlines are used even if they do not meet all requirements such as skin color. Limiting the breeding to exclude out breeding should help keep the genetics pure.

*Linda Corson moved and Betsy Ziebell seconded to table Motion #12 until the 2007 annual meeting. The motion carried unanimously.*

**MOTION #13:****Moved by Linda Corson.**

ARTICLE IX. APPENDIX TRACKING OF FOALS.

Section II. Requirements for Appendix Tracking.

D. Females may have pink, mottled, or dark skin.

REASONING: Same as in Motion #11.

*Motion #13 was withdrawn.*

**MOTION #14:****Moved by Linda Corson.**

Section II. Requirements for Appendix Tracking.

**I. Cream colored foal with black skin and dark eyes from Cream to Cream, Cream to Tracking or Cream to Other breeds.**

REASONING: To clarify that Creams with Black (formerly dark) skin and dark eyes, Cream colored are registered as Appendix Tracking.

*Motion #14 was withdrawn.*

**18. ELECTION OF NEW DIRECTORS**

Don Johnson stated that there were 83 votes cast and Wendell Lupkes and John Schwartzler were elected.

**19. 2007 ANNUAL MEETING**

The 2007 Annual Meeting, pegged 'The ACDHA Iowa Homecoming', will take place in conjunction with the Waverly Midwest Sale in Waverly, Iowa and hosted by Wendell Lupkes and Don and Linda Johnson. The Sale is from October 2, 2007 thru October 6, 2007 with member activities in addition to that on Friday and Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> and October 6<sup>th</sup>. Wendell Lupkes distributed the preliminary schedule that includes a tour of the John Deere engine works, the appearance of Dr. A.J. Neumann (author of numerous articles in the Draft Horse Journal) as a speaker, and a visit to see Lupkes' Creams. More information will be in the upcoming newsletters.

**20. 2008 ANNUAL MEETING**

The 2008 Annual Meeting will take place in Bennington, Vermont during the peak of the famous Vermont fall foliage, October 16, 2008 thru October 18, 2008, hosted by David and Nancy Lively. You'll be treated to Lively's Livery Covered Bridge Tour, pancake breakfast with Vermont maple syrup, a tour of the Park McCullough Mansion with lunch on the veranda, and an afternoon of hands on horse fun and games. EVERYONE is invited to bring their horses – there is plenty of room for their comfort. More information will be available as the time gets closer.

**21. OTHER BUSINESS**

Moved by Betsy Ziebell and seconded by Dan Zarske that the Directors will enlist the help of Dr. Phil Sponenberg to determine a definition of an "endangered" bloodline before a vote of the membership to accept as a guideline for allowing dark skinned males to be accepted in the Association for "Tracking Registry". The motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Betsy Ziebell and seconded by Wendell Lupkes to make Karen Smith an Honorary Member of the Association. The motion carried unanimously.

Catherine Murphy will be reviewing the 2006 Association expenses and reporting back to the Board.

Frank Tremel will be sending a report to the ALBC on our meeting.

With the 2009 meeting potentially in Oregon, Frank Tremel will be contacting Carol Pshigoda concerning ease of transportation and available activities.

**22. SILENT AUCTION**

The silent auction netted the Association \$316.

**23. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 4:20 P.M., the meeting was adjourned to go into Executive Session.

2007 Officers are:      President, Frank Tremel  
                                 Vice-President, Don Johnson  
                                 Secretary/Treasurer, Nancy Lively

Nominating Committee Members are:

    Linda Corson  
    Karen Smith  
    Betsy Ziebell

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy H. Lively  
ACDHA Secretary

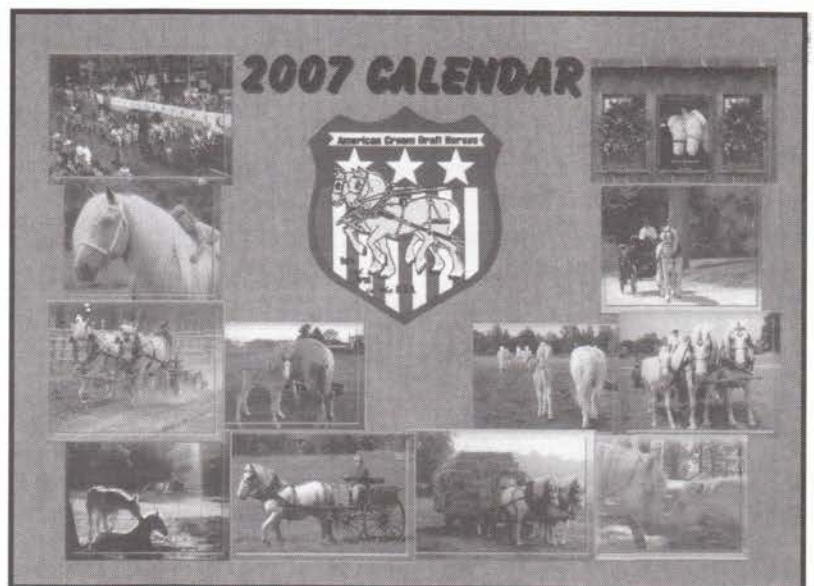
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Future Annual Meetings

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| • Oct 3-6, 2007   | Waverly, Iowa         | Don & Linda Johnson   |
| • Oct 16-18, 2008 | Bennington, Vermont   | Dave & Nancy Lively   |
| • Oct 15-17, 2009 | Bend, Oregon          | Dave & Carol Pshigoda |
| • Oct 14-16, 2010 | Kansas City, Missouri | Jeff & Nancy Phillips |

