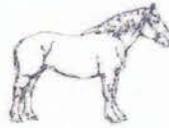




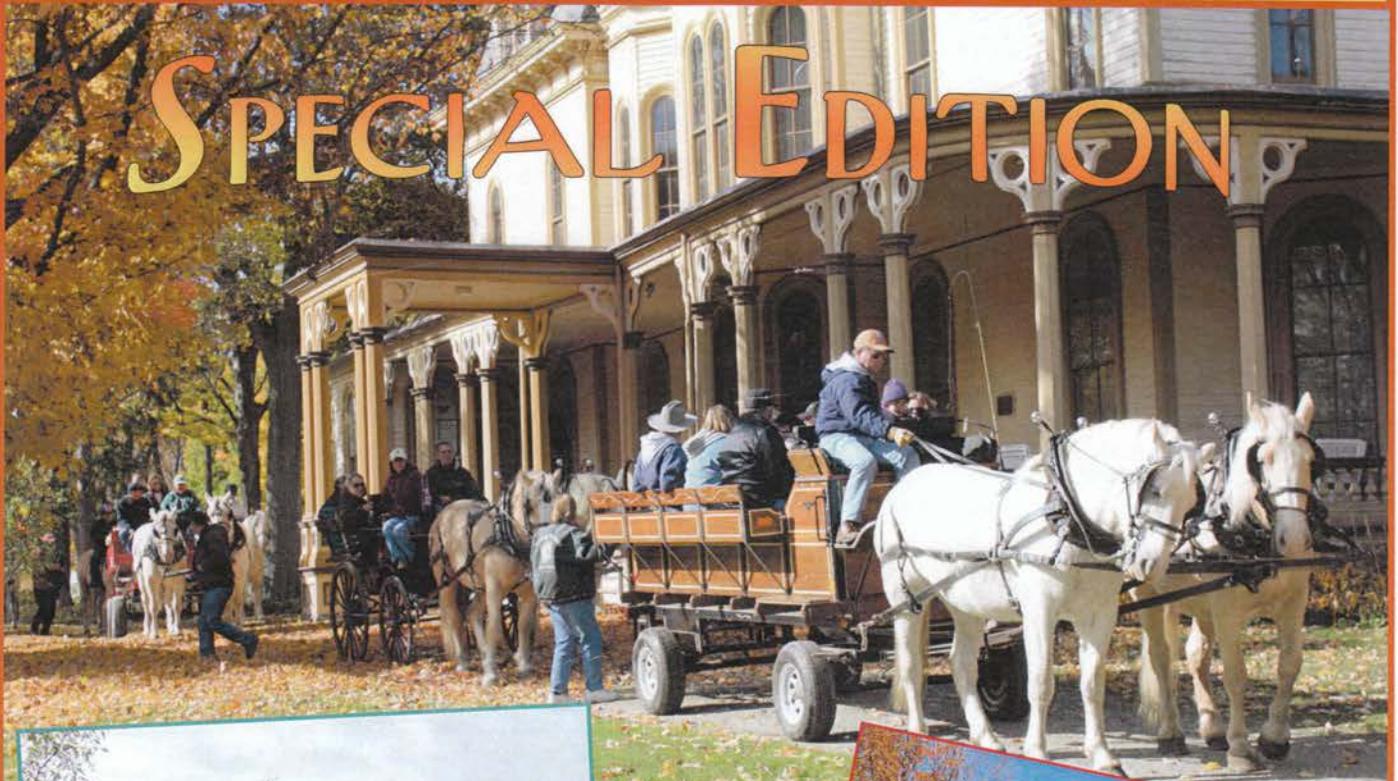
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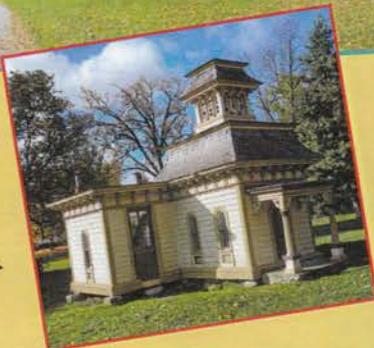
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Carriage House
(Friday lunch)



Park McCullough Mansion



Dog House



One of the carriages



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MEETING WEEKEND IS NOW HISTORY

The week before people were due to arrive, the weather and the foliage couldn't have been better. David and I were preparing for the weekend in a relatively organized manner. But then there were fewer and fewer days to get things done and our lists weren't getting any shorter. Finally, the midnight hour had arrived and Dunner wasn't ready to be ridden, Lance was questionable and the house could be cleaner. The lists hit the garbage and we said, "THE HECK WITH IT.....LET'S JUST HAVE FUN"!!

And have fun we did. The rainy day Thursday scratched the horse and wagon delivery to the restaurant for dinner but was replaced by an even better idea of transporting everyone in John and Sandy Schwartzler's horse trailer. Nothing but First Class for this group! Friday was a beautiful day that started bright and early with a pancake and Vermont maple syrup breakfast at our house. Samples of the sweet product were available for all to taste test and my white chef's hat is now back in the closet for safe keeping. Sandy won the door prize and the membership dues raffle began. After breakfast, we did the Park McCullough Mansion Tour, had lunch in the carriage barn and headed to the field where David and Don Johnson were getting two of our teams harnessed up and four of our horses saddled up, while Anne and Mike Carey were getting their team harnessed up, to begin our Caravan of Creams Covered Bridge Tour. David was understandably a bit nervous because he was ultimately responsible for the safety and well being of 10 horses – that didn't all know each other and/or had never been through a covered bridge - and 35 people – including 4 riders riding strange and/or green horses. Fortunately, he did all that worrying for nothing because the ride came off without a hitch (sorry, couldn't resist!) with everyone who wanted to drive a team having had the opportunity to do so. After the horses were turned back out into the pastures, we all enjoyed cheese and crackers, shrimp cocktail and wine while picking out souvenir Lively's Livery Covered Bridge Tour tee shirts.

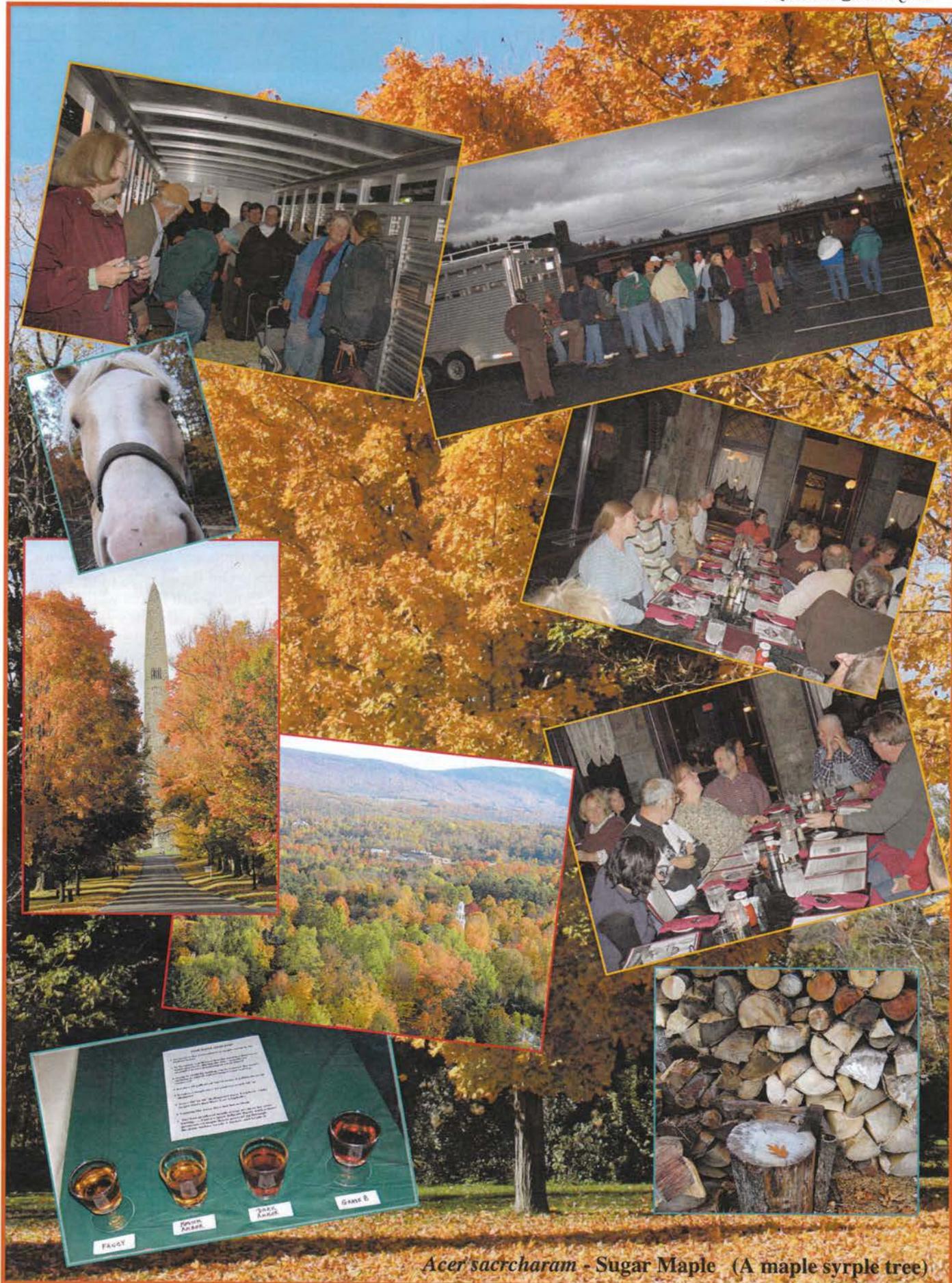
The meeting on Saturday was very successful with new members in attendance, new merchandise ideas, new logo ideas and decisive voting on all of the motions that were on the floor. The details will be in the Minutes which will be part of the annual mailing packet that you will receive soon. But, I have to mention, we took in \$130 in the membership raffle (Jeff Phillips won – CONGRATULATIONS, JEFF), \$209 in the silent auction and \$1,154.50 in merchandise and calendars. NOT BAD!!

With the general state of the economy and fuel prices, David and I were very pleased to see the turnout of 35 people. We have many to thank for their help during the event – special thanks to Anne and Mike Carey for bringing their horses and wagon, to Anne for the use of her catering equipment, for cooking, setting tables, the list goes on and on; to Don Johnson for helping get the horses ready; to Nancy Garrand for selling raffle tickets; to Connie Purchase for manning the

money at the meeting; to Sue Engel for riding Lance with authority; to all the worker bees who helped clean up after breakfast – women AND MEN; to all who set up and tore down the merchandise and silent auction tables; and to all who moved things from here to there. It was a pleasure hosting such a great group and we hope you all enjoyed your Vermont experience.

David and Nancy Lively





Acer saccharum - Sugar Maple (A maple syrup tree)

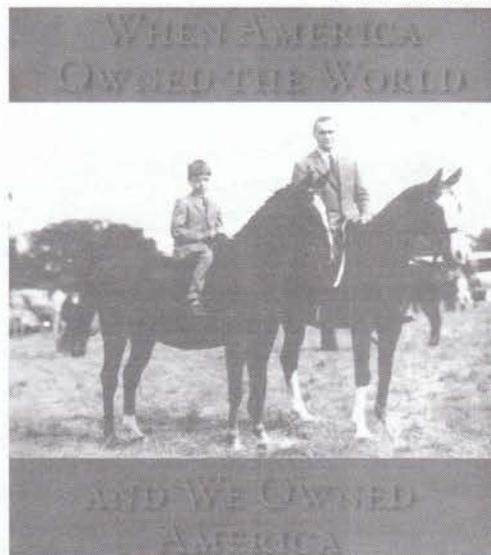


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Bruce E. Balding to Sign Copies of *When America Owned the World and We Owned America* at National Sporting Library on November 20.



Bruce E. Balding

MIDDLEBURG, VA – New York author, Bruce E. Balding, will present a lecture and sign copies of his new book, *When America Owned the World and We Owned America*, at the National Sporting Library at 7 p.m. on Thursday, November 20, 2008.

The title of the book is taken by a phrase penned by a young Joseph Alsop, writing to his mother from the Far East in the early 1930's that "America owns the world." Alsop was among the Anglo-Protestant elite that occupied a privileged place in the country's society. Balding discusses the equestrian pursuits of these elite families, such as the Vanderbilts and the Whitneys, with whom he was acquainted growing up in the 1930's and '40's in two very sporting communities – Old Brookville, Long Island, N.Y., and Aiken, S.C. Balding also chronicles his experiences as head of the Press Section in Seoul, South Korea while serving as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army during the 1950's. His article from that period, *The Book War*, is reprinted in this volume and was widely hailed as an important contribution to counteracting Soviet propaganda.

Both of his grandfathers were avid horse trainers and breeders: his English grandfather supplied horses to the British Army during the Boer War and his American grandfather was the MFH of Long Island's famous Meadowbrook Hunt and raced flat and steeplechase horses at Belmont Park in N.Y. and in Middleburg. His father was a 7-goal international polo player in the 1930's and race horse trainer in the 1940's and 1950's.

Balding graduated with an AB and AM from Harvard University. In his long career as an investment manager, he has served as president of Van Cleef, Jordan and Wood and Balding & Co. He currently serves as senior investment manager for Tocqueville Asset Management LLC in New York City.

Seating is limited, so please RSVP to Judy Sheehan at 540-687-6542 x 11 and leave a contact number.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Board has asked the following members (and they have accepted) to serve as the Nominating Committee for the Directors for 2009:

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They will be asking members and accepting candidates for two positions next year. Please submit your letter of intent early as they need to let the board know by April 1, 2009.

The National Sporting Library is a state-of-the-art, non-lending research facility dedicated to the world of horse sports, shooting, and fishing. It is open to the public and admission is free. Its 16,000-book collection covers a wide range of horse and field sports, including foxhunting, Thoroughbred racing, dressage, eventing, steeplechasing, polo, coaching, shooting, and angling. Over 4,000 rare books from the sixteenth century onwards are housed in the F. Ambrose Clark Rare Book Room. In addition to books, the Library owns important manuscript, archives, and periodicals relating to field sports, and also features an audiovisual center that stores nonprint materials, including films, videos, and DVDs. The Library hosts temporary art exhibitions and holds many fine works of sporting art, including paintings, sculpture, works-on-paper, and sporting artifacts in its permanent collection. The Museum of Sporting Art at Vine Hill, featuring 11 galleries for temporary and permanent installations, will open next door to the Library in late 2010.

FROM THE DRIVER'S SEAT

First, I would like to express my appreciation to Nancy and Dave Lively for making our annual meeting an interesting and enjoyable visit to Vermont. It was well worth the travel time. One of the real benefits of our annual get together is that it gives us the opportunity to meet and talk with other members and listen to their views and concerns. It's nice to put a face to the names we see in the roster. Three new Cream owners joined us at the meeting, they were Cheryl and Martin Bacon from NC, Anne and Mike Carey from Swampscott, MA, and Nancy and Doug Garrand, from Keene Valley, NY.

It was decided by the Board of Directors that our meeting will be on a 4 year rotation starting next year. We will go West Coast, Midwest, East Coast, then back to the Midwest. This should ease the travel for the membership. At the 2009 meeting we will consider a meeting site on the East Coast for 2011. The meeting schedule is 2009 - Bend, Oregon, and 2010 - Columbia, Missouri. Start making plans.

One last thought, the Association's website [acdha.org] is available free of charge to members for Cream related advertisements. Wendell Lupkes has been appointed as our web site coordinator. Send your ads directly to him at wjlupkes@mchsi.com. Take advantage of this service.

Frank Tremel
President



FESTIVALE OF ENDANGERED EQUINES

Kentucky Horse Park Sept 5-7, 2008

The Festivale brought together over a dozen breeds to "Celebrate the Differences" between these endangered breeds, while appreciating the bonds of dedication and passion that are the common threads shared by these breeds. In addition to the Breed Pavilion Row, trade & association booths, youth activities, and the educational breed demonstrations, the three-day weekend included two days of endangered breed competition - ridden, in-hand, driving, jumping and dressage.

SANA - Stewardship Awards of North America - gave over 125 horses and ponies representing some of the rarest breeds on Earth a chance to show they are not museum pieces as they competed in over 100 classes designed especially to encourage the conservation and retention of historical traits. Entries came from over a dozen and a half US states and as far away as Texas, Florida and Canada. Spectators and supporters came from all over North America including California, Oregon and Nevada, the south, mid-west, the east, New England, Canada and overseas from England. It was truly an international affair.

Saturday night gave exhibitors a chance to kick back with an excellent free buffet from a popular organic grocery, Whole Foods, and lectures by:

Attorney Karen Bergener - Liberty Ark Coalition
National Identification System (NAIS)
- *Changing Horse Ownership As We Know It?*

Dr. Ann Blakely, PhD- Geneticist/Ball State University
Equine Master Database
- *Tools for Breeders in the 21st Century*

Dr. Gus Cothran, PhD - Geneticist/TX A&M
- *Breeding Strategies for a Small Gene Pool*

The Silent Auction raised nearly \$1500, which will benefit the work of the Equus Survival Trust. Topping the highly successful Silent Auction was the lovely, well-bred Dartmoor weanling colt, *Emir*, who won the heart of a local Welsh Breeder. A big "thank you" to the donors and the bidders who made this fundraiser so successful.

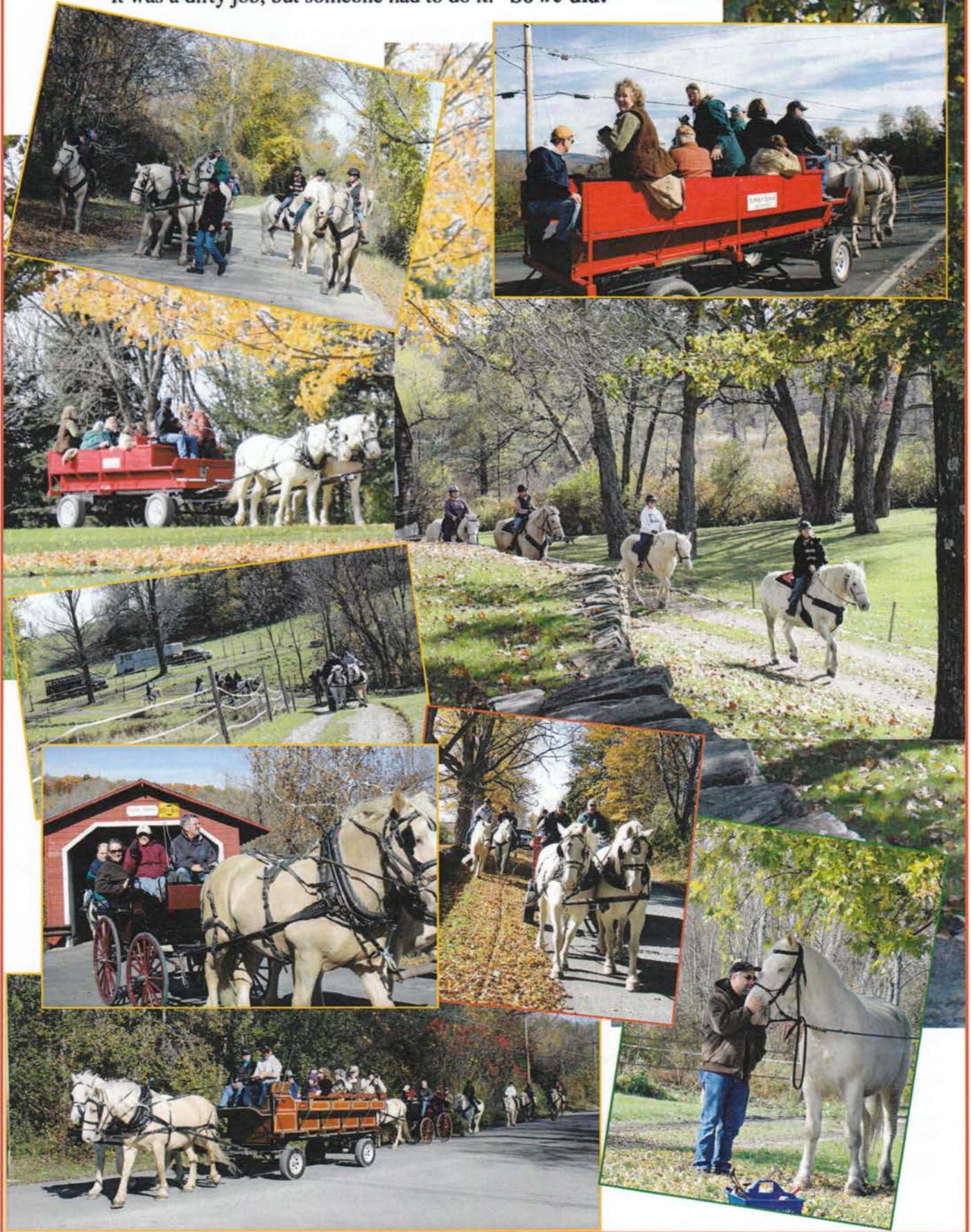
Rumor has it, we might do this again in 4 years.

Victoria Tollman
Executive Director, Equus Survival Trust

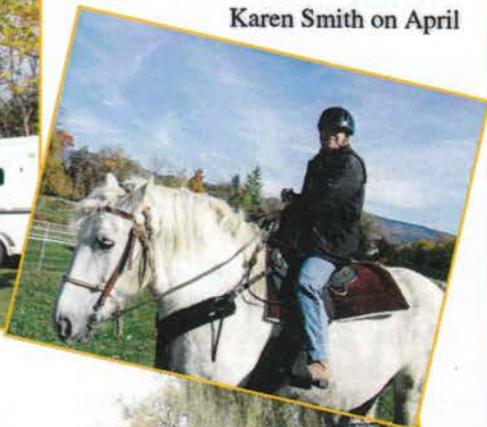
2008 Vermont Attendees --- Dave and Nancy Lively - Hosts

Martin & Cheryl Bacon	Mike & Anne Carey	Linda Corson	Sue Engle	Ann Fanizzi (guest)
Doug & Nancy Garrand	Carl Gray	Don & Linda Johnson	Sheila Johnson	Pam Krull (guest)
Wendell, Renee, and Maggie Lupkes		Mike & Nancy McBride	Charlotte Metcalf	
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Karen Smith	Frank & Paula Tremel	Dennis Watson (guest)	George Whipple	

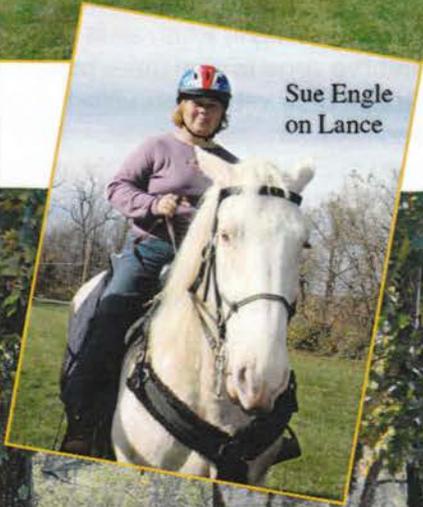
Three wagons, 4 riders, 10 American Creams, 30 more folks in the wagons.
It was a dirty job, but someone had to do it. **So we did!**



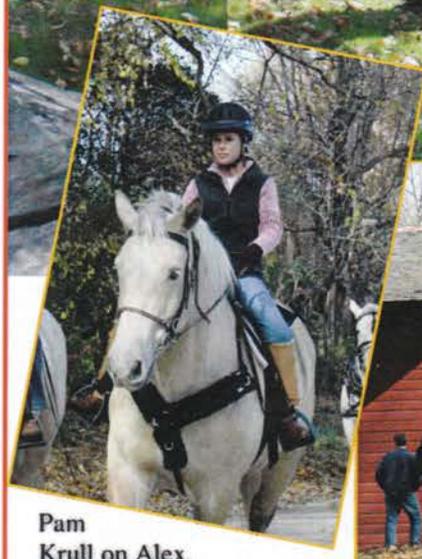
Karen Smith on April



Sue Engle on Lance



Pam Krull on Alex.



HORSE MADNESS

Why do I like horses?
I reckon I must be mad.
My mother wasn't horsey
And neither was my dad.

But the madness hit me early
And it hit me like a curse.
And I've never gotten better
In fact I've gotten worse.

My stables are immaculate.
My house is like a hovel.
Last year - for my birthday
I got a brand new shovel.

I hardly read a paper
But I know who's sold their horse
And I wouldn't watch the news
If Mr. Ed was on, of course.

One eye's always on the heavens
But my washing waves in vain
As I rush to get the horses in
In case it's gonna rain.

And though they're wearing 15
rugs,
The best that you can get,
I bring them in to keep them dry
While I get soaking wet.

I spend up every cent I've got
On horsey stuff for sure.
I buy fancy tack and fancy rugs,
And then I buy some more.

I should have had that hair cut
Or bought that nice blue shirt
At least it wouldn't be now
Ripped to shreds and in the dirt.

I can't make a bloody sponge cake
I don't even try
But I can back a car and trailer
In the twinkling of an eye.

It's jeans and Ariat boots
That I live in night and day
And that smell of sweaty horses
Just doesn't wash away.

Once every... now and then
I can dress up for a ball.
Make up and a hairdo
With high heel shoes and all.

I ache from long forgotten falls.
My knees have got no skin.
My toes have gone a funny shape
From being squashed again.

But late at night, when all is still
And I've gone to give them hay,
I touch their velvet softness
And my worries float away.

They give a gentle knicker
And - they nuzzle through my hair
And I know it's where my heart is
More than anywhere.

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Welcome!

To all the **Members** who
attended for the first time!

- **CHERYL & MARTIN BACON**
Cameron, NC
- **ANNE & MIKE CAREY**
Swampscott, MA
- **NANCY & DOUG GARRAND**
Keene Valley, NY
- **GEORGE WHIPPLE**
New York City, NY
- **CHARLOTTE METCALF**
Norwich, VT

Welcome to our **Guests!**

- Dennis Watson
(Karen Smith)
- Ann Fanizzi
(George Whipple)
- Pam Krull
(Sue Engle)

After much "gnashing", it was finally decided that since the maple syrup was served in "Creamers!", then this recipe *indeed* related to horses and therefore qualified to be included in the newsletter. Henceforth, this column shall be entitled "Horse Cookies" (no matter what the recipe) and the recipe within will automatically qualify to be included. So, please enjoy your first recipe for:

HORSE COOKIES

2008 ACDHA MEETING PANCAKE RECIPE

- 1 cup sifted all-purpose flour
- 1 beaten egg
- 2 tablespoons baking powder
- 1 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Sift together dry ingredients. Combine egg, milk and salad oil; add to dry ingredients, stirring just until moistened. Bake on hot griddle. Makes eight 4-inch pancakes.

NEW PRICES FOR ADVERTISING

As with everything else, the cost of paper, ink, and postage for the NL has risen. Here are the new prices for advertising.

Ad size	B&W 1x	B&W 4x
Bus. Card	\$ 12	\$ 45
1/4 page	\$ 20	\$ 70
1/3 page	\$ 30	\$ 100
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1/3 page	\$ 60	\$ 200
1/2 page	\$ 90	\$ 300
full page	\$ 160	\$ 550

PLEASE provide photos in jpg format at 300 dpi or higher.

A HORSE NAMED FAITH

by KELLIE BORDEN

I got some shocking news tonight. I visited my horsemanship director's church tonight for the beginning of his Cowboy Chapel series and found out that my favorite horse at the ranch died. I am devastated, and spent this evening crying. I feel like I lost a good friend. Who knew that a bond between a human and an animal could be so strong.

Faith was more than a horse I drew close to; she was a significant part of my life. My dream for 16 years of riding horses came into fruition at the beginning of this year. It was faith I held onto my entire life, and it was God's perfect timing that He opened the door for me to learn about and ride horses when He did. How interesting that the first horse that taught me how to ride the gait I've been longing to ride has the name *Faith* written all over her!

A gorgeous Palomino, grade pony, her color was golden and she had an incredible variation of blonde in her mane and tail. (I always said she was my blonde babe -- her mane literally looked like she had tons of highlights. And with a comb and a little Show Shene, she was one in a million.) Since she was a grade pony, she had a mix of many different ancestors and had characteristics different than that of a standard breed or purebred. Because she averaged around 14.2 hands in height, she was considered a pony. She had an attitude at times but she listened well, had a smooth walk and lope, and was the sweetest pony to be affectionate with. (She loved love.) We developed such a memorable bond, and I looked forward to seeing her every day.

This remarkable pony had no idea she inspired me to keep hoping and trusting in the promises of God. When I would come into work dis-

couraged about a certain promise I'm clinging to that in reality seems impossible, seeing her instantaneously would put the smile back on my face, the joy in my heart and the faith in my spirit. She truly was the encouragement to me no one else could offer, and the tangible love I needed to feel so many times from my Heavenly Father.

I trained on a different horse, but Faith taught me how to properly ride without leaning in the canter, pivot, use my weight as a natural aid, and even discipline a horse (she was definitely a Mare and had an attitude sometimes). I learned quickly in the canter that she didn't like it when I leaned too far back (neither does any horse); she taught me how to use my weight, legs and to pivot (she wouldn't do it I didn't do it correctly); she grew a respect for me and listened to my cue of turning her by using my weight without reins; and she even taught me to be in control and firm in discipline when she would threaten to kick another horse. I never walked away from her in a day without leaning something about her, horses in general, and the mighty God I serve.

We spent a lot of time together behind the scenes. After classes and lunch, or in between when no one was around, I'd spent quality time talking to and scratching her, and hugging and kissing her. I respected her so much because she taught me how to ride, the right way. And she learned to respect and trust me because I helped take care of her, and treated her well. We established a wonderful relationship in such a

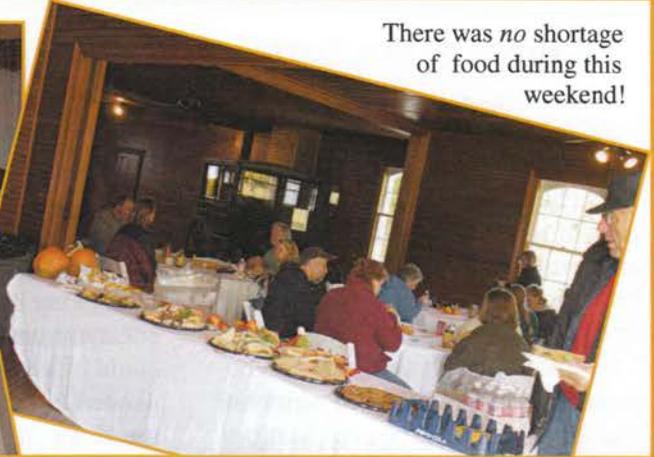
short amount of time.

I wanted to test out different ways of communicating discipline to your horse, and as silly as this sounds, I wanted to see if horses respond to the "pointed finger" as much as children do. :) Believe it or not, when she would threaten to bite another horse or a person I would make a firm face and point my finger at her and she would immediately look straight ahead and behave. :) Most horses behave better with an elbow or a slap along with a voice, and some others do respond to the "pointed finger", (haha) but because I had spent so much time with her, her response to the pointed finger helped me recognize she was responding more to my body language, and I began to feel extremely close with her.

Faith had no idea she inspired me to keep hoping and trusting in the promises of God. When I would come into work discouraged about a promise from God I was clinging to that in reality seemed impossible, seeing her instantaneously would put a smile back on my face, the joy in my heart and the faith in my spirit. She truly was the encouragement to me no one else could offer, and the tangible love I needed so many times to feel from my Heavenly Father.

She was a beautiful, daily reminder of God's faithfulness to me. How wonderful it was to ride a gorgeous, great horse named Faith almost every day. Not only did I learn and grow in my knowledge of horses, but through her I learned life-changing lessons about God and His marvelous character and ways. She truly left an imprint in my heart that will never be forgotten. I drew close to Faith, and through her I drew close to my Father. ■





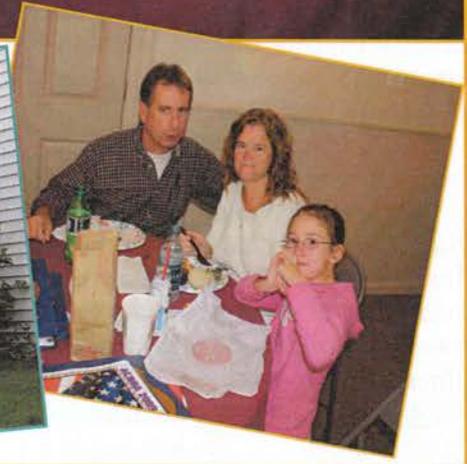
There was *no* shortage of food during this weekend!



Silent auction items



Long time members
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Ever had a desire to try your hand at driving a team? Here's a sneak preview of what's in store for the 2009 meeting in Bend, Oregon!



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A DVD of the Cream "field trip" can be purchased by sending Nancy Lively \$13.00, along with your address.

\$10 is for a fundraiser to place a color ad in the DHJ fall 2009 (workhorse issue), the \$3 is for S/H. (You can donate more if you like!)

This is a video of short clips and pictures, (bear with me folks, next year it will be a longer video) about 6 minutes.

Our hosts, Dave and Nancy Lively, planned a very wonderful drive through the Vermont countryside, through a covered bridge, past the Park-McCullough House, and of course, beautiful fall colors. This video is a small taste of what we saw. There were a record-setting number of Creams driven of any meeting that I have been to. There were three teams pulling wagons, and four riders on horseback. We were a sight to see!

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Thanks,
Linda

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Dennis Aufdenkamp
and his hand built
wagons



Oregon State
Fair with the
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An article
on braid-
ing long
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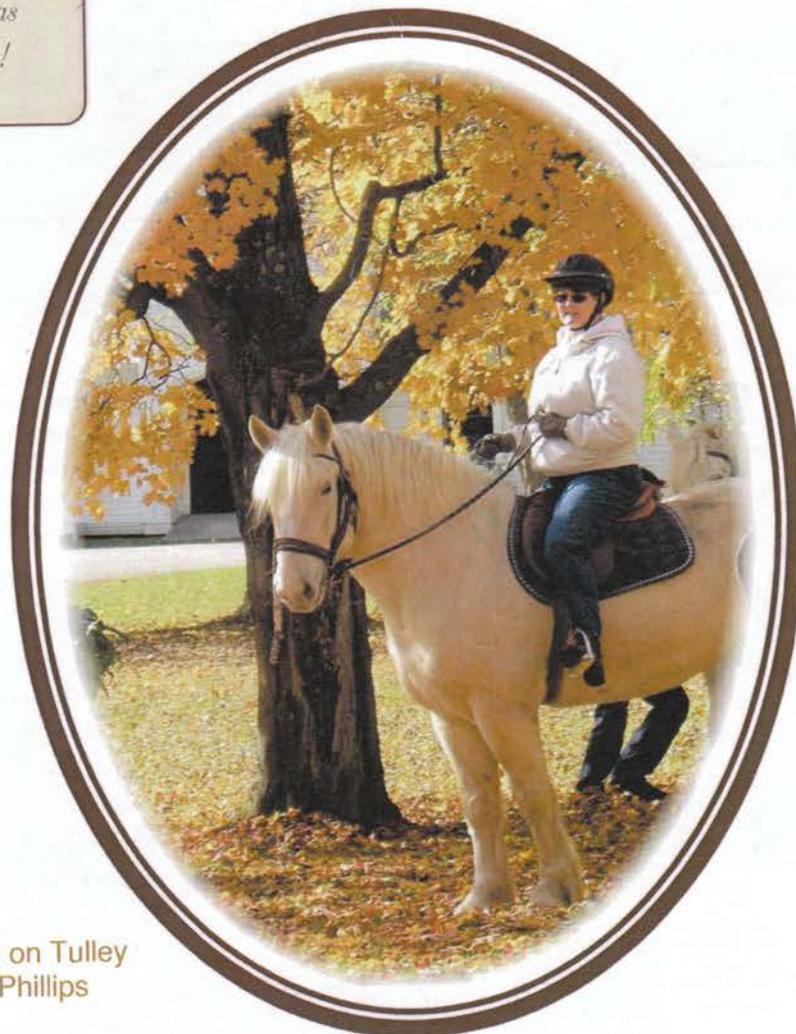
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Thanks!

*Vermont was
tons of fun!!*



Nancy Phillips on Tulley
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