Hi, we are Jim & Charmagne Fraser of C & J CREAMS RANCH, member # 256. This is how we got started with our Creams. We saw an article about Cream Drafts and fell in love with them and purchased a registered young colt on the internet and sent the money. Three weeks later, we traveled all the way to Tennessee to pick up Ivan’s Image. He looked so magnificent! We loaded him and headed home. Love at first sight!

It wasn’t until a few week’s later we knew the meaning of the phrase “read the small print,” as they say. There was the word Tracking on his papers. We did not understand that at first, because he was registered, we had papers!, but after the first herd report, we understood what it meant. He wasn’t a full Cream. Still he was gorgeous and he was ours - gentle, loving, and easily trained. My wife says she feels she is riding on the back of a semi he is so tall compared to the Quarter horses she’s had in the past.

Well after two years searching every other night on the internet for a mare for Ivan, because of the money restrictions we had, we finally found a mare we could afford, and spent nearly the same amount on gas to go pick her up. She lived in Michigan so we hit the road again - three drivers and a lot of miles non stop to pick up H-n-J’s Dick’s Vanilla Cream. After meeting with Sheila Johnson and looking at all those lovely Creams, we checked out the mare’s paperwork and agreed to load Vanilla in the morning. We all went to a local hotel for much needed rest. After an early start, Sheila loaded Vanilla into our trailer and we headed non stop home to Florida.

Vanilla was great, just like Ivan. She loved to be brushed and

See IVAN, cont’d on page 9
American Cream News is a benefit of membership in the American Cream Draft Horse Association, published quarterly, as of 2005. American Cream News welcomes articles, pictures, letters, and classified ads dealing with American Creams, other draft horse breeds, and equipment and events dealing with draft horses.

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Denise Bean • Raymond
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Horse Lover's Daily Companion: 365 Days of tips and inspiration for living a joyful life with your horse. isbn-13: 978-1-59253-570-3
isbn-10: 1-59253-570-4

I am still looking for the email address for Audrey Pavia, who put out the second book, but it is published by Quarry. Both recently hit the book shelves. We have our copies. They are both very nice.

Carol
(Note: Both are available from amazon.com starting at around $15.)

NEW PRICES FOR ADVERTISING

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- Provide photos in jpg format at 300 dpi or higher.
- Payment MUST be sent to editor or advertising will not be placed.
- Make check out to ACDHA, and mail to: 10975 Barnard Rd Crocker, MO 65452-7178

American Cream Draft Horse Association
Statement of Fees

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American Cream Draft Horse Association
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Members of the American Cream Draft Horse Association now have a new means of keeping in touch—via the Internet. An electronic mail list has been set up which allows each of us to contact all subscribing members by writing one email note.

The ACDHA list is open only to members and associate members of the organization. Members’ addresses will be kept private. Notes, files and photos posted to the group will only be available to members. The list moderator will remove any junk email that reaches the list and any notes that show disrespect for the views and comments of others. Courtesy and convenience are the orders of every day!

Invitations to join are sent to all members who have given their email addresses to the organization. When you receive the invitation email, you can join by clicking on the button that says Join This Group and then following the directions. You are required to sign up for a Yahoo ID to join the group. You do not have to use that Yahoo ID to receive messages from the email list, or to post notes. You never have to receive email at your Yahoo ID. When you sign up, you will be given the chance to choose the email address where you want the list notes delivered.

To respond to a note, just click Reply in your email program. To write a new note, you can change the subject when you hit Reply, or you can click the Visit Your Group link in the email you received, then click Post on the group page.

The ACDHA email list provides the organization with a quick way to report news and events or to ask and answer questions. We can also share our successes and challenges as we preserve and publicize the Cream Draft breed. All members with online access are welcome to join the email list and give us the benefit of their experience and the pleasure of their company.

If you have questions, contact the moderator, Cheryl Bacon, at cheryllbbacon@gmail.com.

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The summer is almost over. Where did it go? My column this time will be filled with a lot of reminders.

First, don’t forget the Annual Meeting. Paula and I are using this as an opportunity to visit part of the Country that we have never seen. If you cannot make the meeting and you have some concerns or suggestions contact one of the Board of Directors or Officers.

Your input is important. By now you should have received your dues notice, ballot, mare and stallion report. Please take care of these matters now. The only way that we have of monitoring the growth of this breed is through the mare and stallion report. DON’T PUT IT OFF!

Nancy Phillips still struggles trying to get enough information and pictures to fill a newsletter. She needs articles and pictures. She is the newsletter editor, not the author. She can only publish what is sent to her.

Pictures are still needed for next year’s calendar -- send in what you have to Sue Engle. Sue is faced with the same problem that Nancy Phillips has. She can only create a calendar from what you submit.

This last part is directed at the East Coast members. Our meeting for 2011 is slated for the East Coast. We will discuss and decide this year for that meeting. This way the planners have a 2 year lead to get everything lined up. Basically what we need for our meeting is a place to meet on Saturday with a catered lunch. A volunteer fire company or church hall with the organization serving lunch would work. For those arriving before Saturday a motel (usually we obtain a group rate) and some kind of group activity for Friday before the meeting. In the past we have toured farms, local tourist sites, historical locations etc. If you have any interest in doing this please contact either Nancy Lively or myself. Have a safe summer.

Frank Tremel,
President
President and CEO Nancy Parsons Announces Resignation from National Sporting Library

MIDDLEBURG, Va. – President and CEO Nancy H. Parsons has announced her resignation from the National Sporting Library. Parsons has accepted the position of Deputy Director for Development at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond, Va. In this capacity, Parsons will manage and lead the development efforts for the museum including Capital Campaign, Major Gifts, Planned Giving, Corporate and Foundation Giving, Annual Fund, and Membership.

Nancy Parsons was named President and CEO of the Library in 2005. During her tenure, new programs were established such as the John H. Daniels Fellowship, a research program that awards stipends and complimentary housing to scholars in residence at the Library. In its first two years, the Fellowship was awarded to 15 scholars, from all over America as well as Ireland, England and France. Another new program is the Public Lecture Series and Annual Symposium, offering a variety of popular lectures and educational opportunities for the public. Visitation and use of the Library has increased significantly as a result of these programs as well as art exhibitions such as “Reflections on a Life with Horses: Paintings by Sir Alfred Munnings from the Paul Mellon Collection at the Yale Center for British Art.” This exhibit was part of a collaboration of over 20 institutions in an international celebration of the centennial of Paul Mellon’s birth. The Library will soon start construction to convert Vine Hill, a historic house located next to the Library, for use as a museum of sporting art. An Exhibit Fund has been established for the National Sporting Museum, scheduled to open in late 2010.

“It has been a privilege to serve the Library during this exciting period in its development. I am grateful for the opportunity to work with such a dedicated Board of Directors, a talented and enthusiastic staff, and so many generous individuals who support the Library financially,” said Parsons. NSL Chairman of the Board, Manuel Johnson, said “The Library looks forward to future involvement with Nancy and the Virginia Museum through collaborative exhibits and programs.”

The National Sporting Library is a non-lending research library open to the general public. Its 16,000-book collection covers a wide range of horse and field sports, including foxhunting, polo, coaching, shooting, angling, and Thoroughbred racing. It also includes biographies of sporting enthusiasts, newly-published fiction and nonfiction, current and back issues of periodicals, and scores of rare editions housed in the F. Ambrose Clark Rare Book Room. (The earliest editions date to the 1520s.) Films, magazine articles, and unpublished papers—diaries, scrapbooks, and manuscripts—round out its offerings. The Library also houses many fine works of sporting art, including paintings, sculpture, and such Americana as weathervanes donated by the late philanthropist Paul Mellon.
A RARE & ENDANGERED EQUINE DATABASE FOUNDATION BREED:
The American Cream Draft Horse

An Open Letter to the Membership of the American Cream Draft Horse Association:

I would like to entice you to consider the ACDHA to help spearhead a project to create a set of databases for each of the Rare & Endangered Breeds of Equine, beginning with those considered to be the most critically endangered. The American Cream Draft Horse is on the list of every group interested or associated with efforts to conserve endangered breeds of livestock, and in particular, equine. As such, the American Cream Draft Horse is in a unique position to both benefit from and contribute to the development of these databases.

The American Cream Draft Horse is the ideal Database Foundation Breed - Draft Horse Breed needed to further the development of the Rare & Endangered Equine Databases' underlying structure. It is 1) Critically endangered as a breed, 2) It is an American breed of limited numbers, and 3) It has a limited pedigree history and therefore it can act as one of the primary information sets upon which all other Breed Databases are designed.

Over the past year and a half a collaborative network for the development of the Rare & Endangered Equine Databases has formed. This network includes a group of faculty at Ball State University (Dr. Ann Blakey - Biology/Genetics; and Dr. Chris Luer, Computer Science) and 8 of their students; and includes the advise and support of Dr. Gus Cothran at Texas A&M Univ., Ms. Victoria Tollman from Equus Survival Trust, and Dr. James Reecy, Lead Coordinator, at the National Animal Genome Research Bioinformatics Coordination Team, Iowa State University. The Ball State University core group of researchers have initiated work on a database structure that will provide a secure means to store, retrieve, and analyze the biological information contained within stud-books and registration lists as a biological information system. Now we need your input, in the form of data to finalize our data system organization and beta testing prior to release to the internet. This stage requires actual studbook information, or registration lists, from the Organizations and Societies of the Rare & Endangered Breed Community. No data will be accessible to the internet during this stage of development, nor will any provided data be released until full cybersecurity of the system has been established.

Once launched, this internet-accessible system of databases will allow users to access a wide range of general information on endangered equines. Only Members of specific breed associations or societies will be able to access breed-specific registration data through a secure Breed Organization "LOGON". The information (data) in the Breed Databases will include pedigrees, inbreeding statistics and kinship relationship statistics. The databases will hopefully include: Details of breeding; e.g., type of insemination; location of foaling facility (for security, availability of names and phone numbers to be determined by Breed Organization or Person); photos at various stages of development, and educational information on horse genetics. And finally, the database will provide a point of access for data, with respect to specific horses involved, associated with on-going genetic research studies at places like Texas A&M Univ., the Univ. of Kentucky, and/or UC-Davis, etc.

The Benefits of these databases to breed organizations would come in the form of 1) A secure server to house data (university CyberSecurity specialists); 2) On-line registrations for new offspring through standardized forms across all Breed Databases; 3) Breed Organization-designated contact person or persons approve and release of information into the Breed Database; 4) Each registered horse in the Database will have its own page with photos (optional), including links to pages of all parents and known offspring, and a means to calculate inbreeding levels for any particular potential future matings.

The Contribution needed to the Databases from each Rare & Endangered Breed Organization will initially take the form of the Breed's studbook or list of registrations, and associated information. Only a few select breeds are being requested to be part of the initial building of the databases, the American Cream Draft Horse is one such breed. Our goal is to focus on one breed of each of the following: Small pony, large pony, light horse, draft horse, and one donkeyjack breed to build a unified structure that can be used by multiple breeds.

The Rare Equines Databases Team will begin using studbooks from the very select group of Database Foundation Breeds to refine the information categories and layout, as well as create the statistical analysis programming needed for the calculation of inbreeding (relative to the foundation lines, and later any specific horse) and kinship (next of kin-relationship) for all horses in a Breed Database.

Please consider allowing the American Cream Draft Horse to be the Database Foundation Draft Horse Breed.

Signed,
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2009 ALBC ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The American Livestock Breeds Conservancy will be hosting its 2009 Annual Conference, November 13-14, 2009 in Raleigh, NC. The conference, entitled Crucial Cuisine: Putting Rare Breeds Back on the Table, is a great opportunity to learn a vast amount of information about raising rare breeds.

Friday, November 13th: Pre-Conference Clinics:
Several pre-conference clinics will be offered allowing participants to receive individualized, hands-on experience. Space for clinics is limited, so register early!

Clinic topics include:
- Hog Husbandry - The Key to Healthy, Productive Hogs
- Breeding Rare Breed Rabbits for Productivity
- Selecting Heritage Chicken Breeding Stock for Productivity
- The Lost Art of Last Cuts - A Cooking Clinic
- Introduction to Micro-dairying with Sheep, Cattle, and Goats
- Breed Association Clinic

Friday Night: A Rare-A-Fare Dinner will give attendees the opportunity to network while enjoying a meal featuring rare breeds. The dinner is included in the full conference registration.

Saturday, November 14th: Enjoy all-day educational opportunities. From 8:30 am - 5:00 pm attendees will participate in plenary and break-out sessions.14 different talks will be held throughout the day.

Some educational talk topics include:
- The Kentucky Hamburger Alliance - Finding an Outlet for the Rest of the Beef
- Poultry Incubation - Hatching for Success
- Incorporating Rare Breeds Into Your Farm Plan
- Emergency Preparedness for Responsible Endangered Breed Stewardship
- Introduction to Rare Meat Rabbit Breeds
- New Genetics Technologies for Breed Conservation

See Conference cont’d. on page 8

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EQUUS SURVIVAL TRIP to CREAM ACRES
Victoria Tollman, Executive Director

It was a bright, clear Oregon day when I arrived at Carol and Dave Pshigoda's Cream Acres in Bend. The vista from the ranch was stunning - wide, flat farmland dotted with scrubby junipers with the Cascade Mountains majestic and serene on the horizon line.

My stop at Cream Acres was one of several endangered breed farms during my summer trip to Oregon. The previous day I had stopped to see a Fell pony breeder, also in Bend, and several days prior a Dales pony breeder (the first importer in America) and a Mountain Pleasure Horse breeder (the largest in Oregon). Carol and Dave had just welcomed the birth of their granddaughter, Annabelle, just days before and were enjoying the company of her proud son and daughter in law Lahrae and Timothy so the "welcoming committee" was plentiful and warm when I arrived.

Years before I had met Carol and Dave at the Oregon State Fair where I was attending the dairy goat classes, assisting my sister who is a judge and breeder of Nigerian dwarfs. By chance, I happened to look and see two big creamy colored draft horses go by and instantly chased down what turned out to be the Pshigoda's and their American Cream Drafts. Now, finally, after all this time, I was getting to see their ranch.

It was all and more than I expected – to see so many ACDs in one place was a pleasure and thrill. After spending some time talking with the Pshigoda's and seeing them interact with their horses, it was clear, that they were very committed to the promotion and preservation of the breed. I will let the photos chronicle the rest of my trip. It was truly a privilege to enjoy the presence of so many Creams at once, and especially heartwarming to see the special bond between Carol and her beloved stallion, Barney.
Horses for Sale --

Honey was born in 1997; she is a beautiful mare, has 30 days round pen work, we trail ride and rope with her and she has some driving experience. She is 15.2 hands and weighs approx. 1800 lbs. She is registered. We are asking $1,500.

Bill (gelding) was born in 1990; he is Amish trained, pulls very hard, rides well. Needs an experienced driver. He is not registered. He is about 17 hands and weighs 2300 lbs. We are asking $1,500.

If you are interested please call Sam and Jill Cadwell in Northern Michigan at 231-838-2796 for more information.

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- Demystifying Farm Economics
- Direct Marketing Rare Breed Sheep
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November 13-14, 2009
- Early Regis. Members Special - $135 by 9/30
- Member Registration after 9/30 - $165
- Non-Member Registration - $185

Accommodations:
The Clarion Hotel State Capital is offering a $79 per night rate (Fri. & Sat.). Call 919-832-0501 and ask for the American Livestock Breeds Conservancy rate.

Don’t forget our merchandise items and the 2010 calendar!
sulynnengel@juno.com -- to send in photos for the 2010 calendar.
www.zazzle.com/Am_Cr_Draft_Horse -- to order merchandise items.

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS
Don’t forget to pack items for the Silent Auction. Or ship them ahead and save room in your suitcases for souvenirs!

LUPKES’ C.J.’S GRACIE
T-00144
APRIL 16, 2002 -- AUGUST 22, 2009
A BIG HUNK OF LOVE
I talked to. After two weeks, we guess because of the hot weather in Florida compared to Michigan, Vanilla came into heat. It wasn't our plan to breed her this soon, but we thought well why not, and guess what, we now know our colt is now a stallion and our new mare is pregnant. Like most couples waiting the next 11 months for their first baby, it was nerve racking. We didn't want to upset mama in any way. She was treated like a princess. Then after a bad Florida overnight storm, my wife was heading out to work at 5 AM, and she spotted an extra pair of legs next to Vanilla. She came and woke me up. We had our new baby, a filly, and she was cleaned and feeding. Great mama just standing over her.

We believe we have now the first born Cream in Florida, born to H-n-J’s Dick’s Vanilla Cream #619 and Ivan’s Image #T-00153. We hope to have her fully registered as C&J Creams Southern Belle. We thought the name Southern Belle because of the connection with the South. As a foot note, we have had a lot of interest in our Creams from the horse people in Florida, the State of Horses. Most have never heard of the American Créam Draft Horse. We have had articles published in Equus Caballus, a Southern horse magazine, and since Belle was born, all the local news papers have picked up on the story that she is possibly the first born of this rare breed in Florida. And, we have had reporters and horse people from all over come to see them. Here is a picture of our horses, Vanilla and filly, with Charmagne and our daughter, Brandi.

Photo courtesy of Jeffrey Powell

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IVAN cont’d from Front Cover

Lawyer and Wife Convicted of Animal Cruelty

by Sue Mitchell, Development Director

She was found lying in the dirt, alive but unable to lift her own head, a tarp covering her body...an astonishing 450 pounds underweight, her own fecal matter clinging to her. Can you even begin to imagine her misery? This cruelty case unfolded in March 2009 with a phone call to animal control about a horse lying under a tarp for five days. The owners, a lawyer and his wife, acknowledged that the mare was sick but insisted they could not afford to pay for euthanasia. A veterinarian was located that same day to end this horse’s nightmare, despite the fact that her owners refused to reimburse the vet in $10/mo installments.

When the owners declined to voluntarily relinquish custody of two additional emaciated mares on the farm, animal control officers issued strict instructions and advice on proper care. When they attempted a recheck 48 hours later, the husband ordered the officers off the property. The law quickly stepped in, and the mares were seized within days.

Contact Sue Mitchell to see how you can help.

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Days End Farm

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info@defhr.org
OREGON - Oct 28 - Nov 1, 2009

THURSDAY - Sight-seeing Options
Lava Butte and lava caves. Trail of Glass (obsidian at Newberry Crater). Smith Rocks (world renown climbing rocks). Mt. Bachelor Ski resort. The Cascade Mountain Range is in your face all day! Scenic McKenzie Hwy, right out of Sisters, where you can drive over and through some of the most recent lava flows in the continental US. (Mount St. Helens sent mud, not lava, down its slopes). These flows are over 1000 years old. The Elk Ranch on the side of Sisters and at the beginning of the McKenzie Hwy. Eagle Crest Resort (with golf). Central Oregon boasts more top 50 places to golf in the USA with many of the top 10 here.

FRIDAY
9:00 AM - Visit to The Small Farmer's Journal office and talk with Lynn Miller.
Noon - Lunch at Bronco Billy's and tour the quaint Western town of Sisters, known for many things including its blue grass festival, annual quilting weekend, and annual Sisters gathering where sisters from all over the world get together. Visit Elk Ranch near Sisters.
Supper - 7 PM - tba

SATURDAY
9 AM - Annual General Meeting - Comfort Inn & Suites in Bend.
12:00 Lunch - Catered. Silent Auction winners announced.
After the meeting - Caravan to Cream Acres Ranch for socializing.
Supper - Jake's in Bend.

SUNDAY
9 AM - Play day at Cream Acres Ranch driving all the hitches from 6-up down to the Single.
Lunch - Weather permitting, BBQ cookout. Anyone wishing to help provide food is encouraged to do so, or beverages of your choice.

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EVENTS

Northeast Animal Power Field Days  
October 17 & 18, 2009  
Tunbridge Fairgrounds in Tunbridge, VT

A 40-page Program/Resource Booklet and one-page Event Flier are now for download from the website.  www.animalpowerfielddays.org

Scroll down to the bottom of the home page.  click on 2009 Program  for our Program/Resource Booklet (6.3 MB) or click on Promotional Flyer  for our poster.

In addition to a full docket of workshops and demonstrations, we are honored to welcome Amish organic dairyman, horse farmer, poet, author, and editor of Farming Magazine, David Kline, as our Honored Guest and Keynote Speaker.

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**HORSE COOKIES**

**Tomato-Corn Salad**

- 6 ears of corn, cut off the cob, drained
- 1 onion, diced
- 1 Bell pepper, diced (color of choice)
- 2 T Italian parsley
- 12 basil leaves, chopped
- 2 tomatoes, diced
- 1-2 celery sticks, diced
- Balsamic vinegar


Yield: 8 salads
Old Farmers Almanac

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**Top Ten Scariest Things for Horses**

"At any moment it could whip up into our faces, covering our noses. We could suffocate! And don't try and tell us you'd do CPR."

"What? You've never read Stephen King's Cujo?"

8. Puddles of water.  
"Quick sand to us!"

7. Trash cans.  
"They've been known to swallow horses and transport them into another dimension."

"Long lost tribe of horse-eating pygmies."

5. Plaid horse blankets.  
"Hey, when was the last time you wore plaid? It adds 100 pounds!"

4. Ropes and hoses on the ground.  
"Dreaded North American trail snakes."

3. Ponies.  
"Cute, clever, and hardy. They want to take over the world."

2. Windy days.  
"Two words: Impending tornado."

And the number one scariest thing in the minds of horses?

1. Carts and wagons.  
"Look, you put a human on our backs, we can always buck them off. But, hitching a horse to a wheeled object? It's just not right. No matter how fast we trot, the dang cart is still running after us. Oh the horror."

Thanks to Days End Farm for this enlightenment.
"Aren't they here yet? What's taking them so long?"