



## **\$50,000 CLEVELAND CHALLENGE EXPECTED TO ATTRACT TOP SHOW JUMPERS TO OHIO**

Two of the nation's top horse show jumping events are teaming up to promote grand prix show jumping in Cleveland. Organizers of the Chagrin Valley PHA Hunter Jumper Classic and the American Gold Cup (both held annually at the Cleveland Metroparks Polo Field in Moreland Hills, Ohio) established a \$50,000 Challenge to encourage the world's best grand prix riders to travel to Northeast Ohio. Any rider who wins the \$50,000 Cleveland Grand Prix in July and the \$100,000 American Gold Cup in September in the same year with the same horse will be awarded a \$50,000 bonus.

"The \$50,000 Challenge has been established to promote top-level grand prix show jumping in Cleveland," said Karen Schneider, Chairman of the Chagrin Valley PHA Horse Show, which



Rider Margie Engle, the 2006 Cleveland Grand Prix winner riding Hidden Creek's Wapino will be back in 2007 to defend her title.

organizes the Hunter Jumper Classic. "We were happy to work with the American Gold Cup when it returned to the Polo Field last year, and are thrilled to partner with them on the \$50,000 Challenge to promote equestrian sports in Cleveland."

"Our return to Cleveland last year was a tremendous success and we are committed to being here long-term," said Michael Morrissey of Stadium Show Jumping, Inc., organizers of the Gold Cup. "Riders love this venue and they love the community support they get when they

return to Cleveland each year. Our hope is that this incentive will bring even more world-class competitors to Northeast Ohio each summer." Dates for the Gold Cup are September 19-23. For more information on the Gold Cup, visit [www.AmericanGoldCup.net](http://www.AmericanGoldCup.net).

The Chagrin Valley Hunter Jumper Classic will run at the Cleveland Metroparks Polo Field **July 14 through the 22**. Entries for this year's event close Friday June 22. For more information visit [www.clevelandhorseshow.com](http://www.clevelandhorseshow.com) or phone **330-903-9915**.