

## OLD HOME DAYS REPORT FOR 1988

The "Old Home Days" week end was held August 5th, 6th, 7th and was very successful. The theme was "Country-Western". We'd like to thank everyone that participated and gave their time and support to make the week-end an enjoyable and successful community event.

Friday, August 5th began with the Policemen's Lobster and Chicken Dinner on the Common at 5 p.m., followed by the Firemen's Auction at the Fire Station with rides on the fire truck for children. There was also a Currier & Ives Exhibit at the Old Meeting House on Canaan Street.

Saturday, August 6th - the Crafts Fair and Food concessions opened at 9:00 a.m. on the common and at Williams Field.

The parade at 9:30 a.m. was longer than last year and was led by the Norwich-Hanover band and the American Legion Color Guard. The Grand Marshall was Dr. I.A. Dinerman of Canaan. The many colorful floats followed the Theme - "Country-Western".

Entertainment at Williams Field followed the parade with a concert by the Norwich-Hanover band - Demos by the "Foggy Mountain Cloggers" and the Mt. Cardigan Squares - the Cardigan Mt. Tradition and horse and pony rides. Horseshoe pitching with prizes was held. A rug hooking exhibit was held at the American Legion building.

The "Old Meeting House", the "North Church" and the "Museum Building", in the Historic District on Canaan Street, was open to the public. The "Soap Box Derby" was held on High Street Speedway and the "Chain Saw Artist" had an exhibit at Williams Field.

At 7:00 p.m. the "Foggy Mountain Cloggers" and the "Mt. Cardigan Squares" gave demos before the dance with live music by "Yvonne and the Reverbs" at 8:00 p.m. Drawings for door prizes were held at intermission. All events were well attended.

Sunday, August 7th - Morning services at all churches. A breakfast/brunch was held at the Senior Center from 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. and was very successful.

The "Currier & Ives Exhibit" at the Old Meeting House was open again Sunday.

There was volley ball at Williams Field. The "Cow Flops Drop" was held at 2:00 p.m. with a random drawing for spaces at noon. This was a very successful event and well attended.

At 4:00 p.m., the annual service at the Old North Church on Canaan Street, was held and well attended. A very nice way to close the Old Home Days week end festivities.

Funds for Old Home Days week-end are raised through donations, sale of T-shirts, ads and sponsors for the programs, sale of Old Home Days logo pins, raffle, sale of spaces for the Cow Flop Drop event, town funding and sale of coffee mugs. We raised \$5,259.36, and paid out \$5,368.21 for expenses.

The committee meets from January through December on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The dates for 1989 Old Home Days are August 4th, 5th and 6th and the theme is "Disney World".

We are always open to suggestions and new ideas to make Old Home Days interesting to everyone in the community. If you have any ideas or suggestions for events, please let the committee know.

Many of the regular events will be repeated, but some new events are planned. They are road race around the lake, a walking and riding tour of historic places, a photo contest and games for children.

We look forward to seeing everyone in August.

Old Home Days Committee  
Co-Chairmen  
Georgia Tilton  
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