

MESSENGER'S

Canaan Old Home Days Parade

We want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who participated in the parade held on Saturday, August 3rd. It was with your help, support and cooperation that made this part of the weekend activities such a success.

We were proud to have Dot Ricard as our Grand Marshall and we thank her for accepting this position and leading the parade this year.

We especially wish to thank our parade judges for all their hard work with the difficult task of judging the floats and other entries. The judges were: Marty Pusey, Barbara Lashua, Jackie Lary and Dot Harpootlian. Thanks, again, for a job well done.

Due to so many fine entries, the judges decisions were difficult to reach. The judging ended with a tie for 2nd place. Cash awards were given as follows: \$50.00 First Place - Canaan FAST Squad; \$25.00 Second Place - Lilac Lassies 4-H Club; \$25.00 Second Place - Cardigan Mt. School; \$10.00 Third Place - Mascoma Senior Center.

The winners of the individual categories received first, second and third place ribbons and were as follows: Youth Groups - first place tie - Lilac Lassies 4-H Club and Cardigan Mt. School; Second - Indian River Nursery; Third - Mascoma Valley Boys 4-H Club. Organizations - First - Canaan FAST Squad; Second - Mascoma Senior Center; Third - Mt. Cardigan Snowmobile Club. Commercial - First - Camp Crescent Camp-

sites; Second - Roger Remacle; Third - Walter Buckwold. Antique Autos - First - Granite Northland; Second - Robbie LaCroix; Third - Didace Lacroix, Sr. Bikes - First place tie - Jennifer Salvail and Melissa Salvail; Second - April Gee. Walkers - First - Paul Lizotte; Second - Feathers & Flowers; Third - Larry Tibbets. Horses - First - Deana Champney (covered wagon); Second - Liz Guaraldi; Third - Mary Ann Guaraldi. Misc. - First - Ricky Sanville.

A special thanks to the National Guard Unit CSC 3rd 172nd Infantry for their participation.

The two A10 Warthogs which flew in Iraq and were commonly known as thank killers created quite a lot of excitement after the parade. One of the A10s was flown by former Grafton resident, Kendall Stiles. The other was flown by Rick Davidson of Enfield, CT. Both were on their way to an air show in Massachusetts and were a welcome addition to the weekend.

Last, but certainly not least, we wish to give Bruce Shinn a big thank you for the superb work he did on announcing the parade participants as they passed the Legion Building, as well as announcing various activities at Williams Field.

Thanks again, to everyone who helped in any way to make this parade such a success and we look forward to seeing everyone at next year's parade.

Canaan Old Home Day Committee