

# The 122<sup>nd</sup> Annual Session of the Connecticut State Grange



Past Voting Delegate Ellsworth "Bud" Beecher blows out the candles on a special birthday cake during the Pre-Session Banquet which happened to fall on his big day this year.



"Allllright!" - Members present their taken on Cinderella during the Thursday night Lecturer's Program



Members of the Connecticut FFA visited the Session during the Thursday evening Open Meeting.



State Agriculture Chairman Michael Molodich presents the Outstanding Production Award to the Agee family (Lisa, Rick, Bobby and Ryan). The Agee's produce all natural Goatboy Soaps and Lip Balms and are a fixture at fairs throughout the region. The presentation was made during the Pre-Session Banquet on Wednesday evening.



L to R: State Ceres Eloise Osuch, State Chaplain Marvin Wilbur, State Flora Carol Hnath, Master F. Philip Prelli and Joan Ziegler were among the members enjoying refreshments following the Sixth Degree.



L to R: John Waterhouse of the Scholarship Committee, Jonathan Russell, Kaitlyn Heintz, Jon Hermonot, Nancy Weismuller of the Scholarship Committee. All three students at the University of Connecticut received checks in the amount of \$2,000 from the State Grange Scholarship Fund at the Pre-Session Banquet on Thursday evening.



The top Honor Granges receive recognition from State Master Prelli and Sister Maureen on Thursday evening.



Dr. Bruce Sherman of the Connecticut Department of Agriculture gave an interesting keynote presentation on Avian Influenza during the Pre-Session Banquet on Wednesday evening. Dr. Sherman is the Director of the Bureau of Regulation and Inspection for the Department of Agriculture.



The appointed officers line up to present State Master Prelli with their sashes and to receive a gift from Brother and Sister Prelli.