

WARWICK-PAWTUXET VALLEY

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'Woman of the Week'

Knit One, Purl Two . . .

Mayor Philip W. Noel yesterday officially proclaimed Mrs. John B. Danese of 92 Shand Ave., Warwick, as "Woman of the Week" in recognition of her accomplishments in floral and home handiwork.

Mrs. Danese was at the mayor's office to show him several of the objects she has woven, knitted, and sewed during the past year.

She also demonstrated the 25 blue and red ribbons she won at the recent Brockton Fair. She told the mayor she believed they were the first ribbons awarded to a Warwick resident in the 95-year history of the fair.

Remarking that his wife did much knitting, the mayor told Mrs. Danese, "Many ladies would be discouraged if they saw your work."

Included in the projects completed by Mrs. Danese during the past year was a seven-foot by eight-foot mosaic quilt with 51,300 pieces of cotton. The total number of pieces is believed to be a world record.

Mrs. Danese's handiwork will be displayed for the benefit of patients at the Health Haven nursing home in East Providence on July 27 from 1 to 5 p.m. The public is invited.

RIBBON WINNER

Mrs. John B. Danese of 92 Shand Ave., Warwick, was the recipient of 28 ribbons at the Brockton Fair in Brockton, Mass., last Friday. She won 4 blue ribbons and 7 red ribbons for her cut flowers, flowering plants, and flower arrangements. In the sewing area, Mrs. Danese was awarded 10 blue ribbons and 7 red ones for a wool cape, wool dress and other clothes of original design.

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WITH THE BROCKTON FAIR opening today, July 5, Rita "Let-Me-Tell-You-a-Secret" Danese is at it again. Each year, the Warwick woman comes home from the fair literally loaded—with blue ribbons and first prizes, that is. She wowed the judges last year with a 51,300-piece mosaic quilt. This year she has some new handiwork to impress the judges. You can also see her work in August during the Rocky Hill Fair. Those who know Mrs. Danese are familiar with her "Let me tell you a secret" phrase which peppers all her conversations, and those who know her agree that if the fair judges were judging personalities, the Warwick woman would garner another blue ribbon for sure. . . .

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would come back from the Brockton Fair with at least one blue ribbon. We were wrong. She came back with 12 blue ribbons. Judges were pop-eyed over her handiwork and threw in several red and white ribbons to boot. In other Brockton Fair news, veteran comedian Steve Mills of Warwick walked off with the beautiful first prize trophy for braided rugs. (Of course, they caught him before he could get out the door.)

THIS COLUMN PREDICTED that Rita Danese of Warwick, who is handy with the sewing needle,

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