

PERHAPS IT HAS BEEN THE WEATHER, but it seems as though it has been so long between meetings - not just Pomona, but also subordinate meetings. Guess we've 've all had the same: problem, and that is all I am going to say about IT!

ANYWAY, WELCOME TO POMONA...and thank goodness for a nice evening. Our real appreciation to the members of Litchfield for hosting this evening. As always - much appreciated.

The counting this evening is being done by Winchester Grange, and it is NINE-TEN....

The next meeting will be our Day Meeting at Riverton, on March 24 at 10:30, with lunch at noon. The day meetings are always a nice change of pace, and we usually have a good crowd. Let's hope the same is true this year! We will have a country store and if anyone wants to bring something, that would be very nice, but don't feel you have to!

WE HAVE RECEIVED a nice thankyou note from all those to whom we sent food and/or money donations at the holiday time. Don't forget, though, the need for food continues all through the year... not just the holidays.

OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY is extended to the Ives family on the loss of Alden, who died Saturday noon. His helath had been very poor for the past year or so, Calling hours are Tuesday, and the funeral will be Wednesday at 11:00 at St.James Episcopal Church in Glastonbury. Any memorial donations a may be made to the CT State Grange Scholarship program.

Alden filled some mighty big shoes, and he will be missed. Our love is with Jan and the family.



THE SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION held at Litchfield in January was very well attended which made our State Master very happy. Phil looked like a happy raccoon that evening - still bearing the black eyes as a result of some surgery on his sinus area. However all is well now.

HOW MANY ARE DOING DEGREES?
Let us hope that many of our granges will --- and will have candidates.

BEULAH (NOAD) writes that they escaped from snowy New York State to Myrtle Beach, SC just in time to find cold weather down there -- she was huddled in jackets and it was too cold to walk on the beach, which she does enjoy!

FEBRUARY 29 - 2:30 in Glastonbury, will be the annual meeting with the Pomona Masters, Camp Committees, and Camp Trustees, to discuss any problems with the various cabins, plans for the coming camping season, and also for everyone to meet the new caretaker --- he is Richard Lemieux, son of Jerry and Shirley.

FOR THOSE WHO MAY NOT KNOW, Richard Clinton has agreed to fill in as Master at Hope, and it is good to know that the members there are trying very hard to keep that little grange afloat! They are being helped mightily by our deputy -- Earl!

The general "hiatus" which we have all been forced to take, has really put a stop to many fund raising events which are so vital to all of us. Let's hope that all things will be better now so we can all get towork and do the various things which we ordinarily do. I didn't dare put in any information, for fear I would get it wrong!

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO YOU