

April 8, 1997

It feels like Spring - it looks like Spring - it smells like Spring, so - it must be Spring! Think back one week, though, and don't count your chickens too fast!



ANYWAY - Tonight we confer the first and second degrees - and you know, that means Spring and Summer in the Grange --- so we're right in keeping with Mother Nature!

WE WELCOME our own new candidates - there should be five of them and I will introduce them later - and we also welcome three new members from Hope Grange, and 1 new member from Litchfield. Glad to have visitors and do hope that all will enjoy their affiliation with the Grange.

NEXT MEETING - APRIL 22-- WITH SUPPER AT 6:30, and the meeting at 8:00 p.m DO hope that all of our new members will be able to come to the supper - a good way to start your Grange journey - food is very important!!

WE ENDED UP with ten members attending the Day Meeting of Pomona at Riverton --- and WE BROUGHT HOME THE BANNER - and it is hanging right here in Winchester for a month!

NEXT POMONA MEETING - May 12 and it will be the fifth degree with the inspection by Pomona Deputy.



BEFORE YOU GO HOME THIS EVENING, PLEASE BE SURE TO LET RAMONA OR JOAN KNOW WHAT YOU WILL BE BRINGING FOR SUPPER ON THE 22nd. Does help to know! We'll be asking for casseroles, salads, and desserts.

Flea Market and Craft Sale - rain or shine on Saturday, May 31... tables for Grange members - only ten dollars - for others the cost is \$15. Interested? Terri has application forms and would be happy to help you. The event is being held in conjunction with Winchester Days - when the Church and the Historical Society will also be holding events in the Center and it makes for a fun day! Try to be a part of it.



LAST DINNER FOR THE SEASON... APRIL 13 - and please spread the word = 12:00 to 1:00 is serving time and reservations needed! Also need items for the Food Sale

April 26 will be Clean-up Day at Camp Berger - and anyone with a little time to help would be so welcome! Don't have to stay all day - although you can! At 4:00 we will be serving a supper meal here at the hall - cost of \$3.00 - and then a fast Pink Sash meeting upstairs - and a quick rehearsal for the State Choristers who will be presenting the annual Spring Concert on May 4 in Wallingford. Busy day for all.

Bud talked with Florence Simons the other day - said she is feeling much better and looking good, as we That is good news.

Perry Bengston Howard, Ernie's younger daughter, has been up with her dad this past week - with her two children, Zacchary and Emily. Been a busy and great time for the whole family -

Glad to report that Karen Papp will not be leaving us quite as soon as we were afraid she would be! She will be with us for third degree - Peter has gone to South Carolina to "test the waters"...but Karen won't be going quite yet.

All this talk about strawberries --- makes me very happy that ours are strictly native! And that comes along before too long too!

Had a "meeting" with Dr. Jay Moraski this a.m. - and Jay said that the number of teeth problems had increased tremendously during the time he Hale-Bopp Comet has been visible believe it or not - Jay was not kidding. Any explanation?

And that is just about it for tonight Thank you to all those who are on the degree team, and those filling in Means a lot.

Thanks to Don for the Me