



## REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Date: March 3, 2019

Berth and Port: Two Guys From Italy, 11637 Webb Chapel Road, Dallas, TX 75229

Presiding Officer: Steve Mason, Third Mate

Time Convened: 1:10 p.m.

## CREW ON DECK

There were twelve attendees on hand.

## OPENING TOAST

- 1) Delivered by: Steve Mason
- 2) Honoring: Victorian Times
- 3) Source: *The Serpentine Muse*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Steve Mason – The La Madeleine’s French Café (5290 Belt Line Road, #112, Addison, TX 75254) where the society has met for the past five years closed due to a doubling of the rent.
- B. Don Hobbs, Herb Linder, and Jim Webb – Some early society meetings during the 1970’s/1980’s took place at Two Guys From Italy.

## THE QUIZ

“The Adventure of the Creeping Man” was this meeting’s story topic.

## HIATUS: DINNER

## THE QUIZ RESULT

Ann Caddell won this month’s quiz.

## REPORT

“I have serious thoughts of writing a small monograph upon the uses of dogs in the work of the detective.” This Holmes told Watson with regard to the family dynamics in the Copper Beeches story. “My line of thought about dogs is analogous. A dog reflects the family life.” – Doubleday, Page 1071

Steve Mason – Looking into such a relationship between dog and owner today, Steve found that studies exist, one such from U.T. Austin. A significant study correlated five variables possibly shared between the two. Offered explanations for the reflection of personality include the adaptation of the animal and the owner’s choice of breed. With a light-hearted turn, Steve displayed via his laptop a curious connection between the appearances of some dogs and their owners.



#### PROGRAM/PRESENTATION

- 1) Presented by: Angela Rusk
- 2) Title/Topic: “The Three-Dimensional Sherlock Holmes”
- 3) Basic Description: The 3-D printer was invented by Charles Hull in 1984. Various patents are expiring or have expired; so, 3-D printing is becoming more affordable. For the purpose of demonstration, Angela and Jason (her husband) Rusk used an available computer file to build a small bust of Sherlock Holmes on their 3-D printer. In contrast to the lesser time required to print the token Holmes silhouette keychains, the printer worked 18 hours to produce the bust. Angela provided a good description of the 3-D printer and the process of production: hotbed, supports, filaments, extruder, etc. Angela wishes to learn the computer language so she can build custom files and products.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- C. Steve Mason – Walter Pieper, Helmsman, will run next month’s meeting. Rusty and I will be at the 221B Con in Atlanta, GA.
- D. Allen Osbourne – “The Adventure of the Lion’s Mane” will be the story for next month’s meeting.
- E. Steve Mason – The Dallas Public Library has invited the society to participate in a panel discussion. We have previously taken part. Anyone interested in sitting on the panel, please contact me. Also, there are opportunities to attend Sherlockian conferences. The one in Dayton, OH is at the end of March. The one in Minnesota is especially good; it is held at the University of Minnesota.

#### DRAWING FOR THE GANGWAY PRIZE

Don Hobbs won Angela Lusk’s donated example of 3-D printing, the small white bust of Sherlock Holmes.

#### READING/TOAST

- 1) Delivered by: Steve Mason
- 2) Title: “May You Live to 120 More!”
- 3) Source: “The Editor’s Gas-Lamp” by Steven Rothman, *Baker Street Journal*, Winter 2007

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- F. Don Hobbs – This is interesting. The note posted on the door to dissolve the Red-Headed League lists 1890. We accept that as the year of the case. During a recent trip to Spain, while visiting a museum, I saw a Pablo de Sarasate program for the St. James’s Hall concerts. These were the only concerts he played there. The year on the program is 1888. That shows a two-year discrepancy for “The Red-Headed League” timing.
- G. Steve Mason – Tentatively, let us plan Movie Night for this coming Saturday at either Walter Pieper’s or Cindy Brown’s house. Walter is absent today. Cindy is out-of-town.

Time Adjourned: 3:00 p.m.

Minutes Recorded by: Brenda S. Hutchison