

Minutes from the Crew of the Barque Lone Star meeting February 7, 2021

There were 55 people in attendance on the Zoom call for today's meeting.

We started with a toast to Don Hobbs, recognizing Steve Mason as one of the newest members of the Baker Street Irregulars. Steve was invested in the January 2021 BSI event held virtually this year. His investiture was "Fortescue Scholarship", and we all agree that Steve was most deserving in this accomplishment.

We then had a quiz on this month's story, Silver Blaze. The winner was **Richard Krisciunas**. The quiz was followed by Bob Katz leading a discussion Conan Doyle's writing of Silver Blaze and how it compares to other Doyle stories.

Liese Fabre Sherlock then provided a reading of her newest published book, The Deceased Scholar. The reading was done by **R.J. Bayley**, from Edinburgh, Scotland. He is the artist who narrates the story and can be heard by those who download the book.

Our special guest speaker this month was Rob Nunn, from the St. Louis area. Rob did a presentation entitled The Immense Significance of the Curried Mutton. This is a reference to the mutton that was served to the stable boy in Silver Blaze. The presentation is also included in the book which will soon be released entitled, "Sherlock Holmes of Baking Street", which will support the Beacon Society.

Our Third Mate, Steve, then gave his annual report of the State of the Society for the year 2020.

We then had a lighting quiz on ending in the cannon.

Steve then finished the meeting by doing a brief presentation on The Rise and Fall of the Rest of the Medical Career of Author Conan Doyle.