

Meeting for the Crew of the Barque Lone

August 2, 2020

32 Attendees

We started the meeting with an opening toast given by Third Mate, Steve Mason, called "I Get No Respect".

The quiz for the month was from "The Speckled Man". Since the meeting was virtual, there was no prize given.

Richard Krisciunas did a presentation called Doctors Gone Bad, in coordination with the story which included an evil doctor. This presentation generated a lot of good discussion. Seems that everyone wants to hear about a doctor that's done somebody wrong.

Steve reminded everyone that August 31, 2020, is the deadline for the short story submission for the next book published by the Crew of the Barque Lone Star. The theme of the book will be articles from the Victorian Agony Columns.

Steve then mentioned that as things stand now, we will continue to meet virtually for the foreseeable future.

The SMU symposium, which is to showcase the Don Hobbs collection, is still scheduled for October 2021, however we are taking a "wait and see" attitude.

The Crew's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary party has had to be postponed again, but we will not let it slide off the books completely. Karen Olsen is still willing to host the party, but a date certain will have to wait until social gathering are considered safe.

Olivia Kirkendall announced that she will be moving from Iowa to Kansas City, MO, and would appreciate any contacts who could introduce her to the Sherlock Holmes club in that city. Cindy and Steve both have contacts there and will follow-up on this request.

Our guest speaker for the meeting was Dr. Carlina de la Cova, an associate professor and Director of undergraduate studies in the Department of anthropology at the University of South Carolina. Dr. de la Cova's presentation was entitled "Skulls coveted and otherwise: Criminal anthropology's bumpy ride". Her presentation was extremely interesting and very educational.

The final reading was done by Steve and was a toast he had given to the St. Louis scion society, entitled "Why is Sherlock Holmes so Popular Still".

We then had a lightning round quiz and closed the first portion of our meeting.

The majority of people stayed for a shorter meeting which focused on Arthur Conan Doyle. The Third Mate did a brief presentation and power point about the early years of Doyle and included a lot of interesting information about his family.