

Minutes of the Crew of the Barque Lone Star

November 4, 2018

There were 22 people in attendance

We began our monthly meeting with a long-distance presentation by Olivia Kirkendall, who is a college student in Missouri, and an avid Sherlockian. The presentation was titled "Nothing New Under the Sun, It's All Been Done Before." This was the first attempt to have a video conference with another Sherlockian and after a few issues with the video feed, it went very well. We hope to have more lectures/presentations of this type in the future.

We had a guest in our group today, who is a school teacher from Keller ISD. Emily Swart teaches theater for "at risk" teens at the Keller New Direction High School, and they will be doing a Sherlock Holmes play later this month. She wanted to advertise the play but also wanted to network with other Sherlockians. The play will be "Sherlock Holmes was a Woman". Our first mate, Steve Mason agreed to loan her some of his Sherlock Holmes memorabilia for the play.

Karen Olson gave the opening toast and it was to the Crew of the Barque Lone Star. Steve mentioned that the Crew of the Barque Lone Star is actually a part of the Texas Navy. When this happened, many years ago, the club received a proclamation from the Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives.

The quiz for the month was on the short story, The Adventure of the Red Circle. Karen Olson won the first prize and Mary Butcher won second prize.

Steve Mason mentioned the recently published book by Christopher Redmond, titled: "Sherlock Holmes is Like..." Steve wrote one of the chapters, and his comparison was to Lucy Van Pelt, of Snoopy fame. He handed out a copy of his chapter for members of the Crew.

Steve and Liese noted that the second in a series of books written and published by the Crew will be titled "Essays for a Grimmer Holmes" and will be available in a few months.

It was also mentioned that the Richardson Theater Center will be performing the play, "Holmes for the Holidays", from November 30 through December 23.

The Crew of the Barque Lone Star will be hosting a symposium at the Dallas Public Library at Royal and the Tollway, on November 13, from 6pm until 7:30 pm.

We will also be hosting our third symposium at the Allen Public Library on November 17, from 2pm until 5 pm.

The Olson's will be hosting a Christmas Tea on December 8, from 2pm until 6 pm. There will be a Sherlockian gift exchange. We do not plan to have a movie night in December.

Tim Kline was showing some of his recent purchases, including "Sherlock's Night Before Christmas".

Liese Sherwood Fabre mentioned that there is a wonderful Sherlock series on HBO titled "Miss Sherlock", and there is also a Chinese series called "Mr. Sherlock."

For the December presentation, Steve will bring his antique gasogene, tantalus, and his seltzogene.

Cindy Brown offered to do the January presentation.

Steve also mentioned there are a number of Sherlock Holmes conferences coming up in the first half of next year, including BSI, the Dayton conference, the St. Louis conference, and the Baltimore conference, as well as the Minnesota conference in August.

In closing Steve read "Capacity for Innocent Enjoyment" from the Baker Street Journal, by Steven Rothman.