Saturday, July 27 is our 23rd Annual Dr. John H. Watson Picnic!
It’s in the South Shelter at Seahurst Park in Burien from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
We have SOB Dawn Jaekel to thank for booking our picnic spot back in January; we’ll have SOB Chris “Bear” Berwald to thank for firing up the barbie for all us meat-eaters that day; we’ll have SOB Cameron Brandon to thank for our main entertainment: an updated version of his infamous variation on the Twister game; and we’ll have SOB Sunny Even to thank for some secondary fun that she says she’s bringing along!

Even though earlier in the day, this is still a pot-luck lunch, so please bring enough food—salads, main dishes, side dishes, chips, snacks, sweets—and beverages to share! (Haugens will provide coffee & breakfast treats to greet you and eating utensils, plates, napkins, cups, etc.) But, please, no alcohol or balloons allowed! Nor are RSVPs required, so bring your friends & family along!! But get there early for the best parking!

“13 Sherlock Holmes Riddles That Test How Bright You Are”

Sometimes our Saturday events can be more relaxed, less structured and, yeah, more fun! Secretary Terri found this silly quiz on the web before the June 1 Meeting, and some of the questions were quite lame. But a few were rather challenging, so we share them with you here!

3. **Guess the name of the murderer**
A rich man who lived in a beautiful house on Baker Street, Mr. Ronald Green, has just been kidnapped and Sherlock Holmes has been appointed to the case. He finds a note at the crime scene written by Mr. Green. It read: “First of January, Fourth of October, Fifth of March, Third of June.”
Sherlock knew that somehow, the killer’s name was hidden in the note. The suspects were as follows:

- Jack Green, the son and the heir of the property
- John Jacobson, an employee of Mr. Green
- June Green, Green’s wife

Sherlock deduced the killer’s name in an instant. Can you?

4. **Guess the victim and the murderer’s name**
There are five (5) men. These are the clues you’ve got:
1. One of them shot and killed one of the other five.
2. Dan ran in the New York City Marathon yesterday with one of the innocent men.
3. Mike considered being a farmer before he moved to the city.
4. Jeff is a top-notch computer consultant and wants to install Ben’s new computer next week.

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"There was a crooked man..."

The Regular Monthly Meeting of The Sound of the Baskervilles will begin at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 21, 2019 at the Seattle Public Library (Queen Anne Branch), located at 400 West Garfield, Seattle (driving directions at left). If you have a favorite snack, please bring it along to share!

Says Program Chair Sunny Even: Nowhere else but in “The Adventure of the Crooked Man,” does Conan Doyle treat us to such a deft and engaging camouflage of exotic mystery to reveal the real moral “crime doesn’t pay.”

The story unfolds, and our perception of victim and villain switches place like a clever optical illusion. The “crooked” man morphs from the pathetic bent creature who was James Wood, to the more disturbing image of Colonel Barclay as the morally corrupt but guilt-ridden villain of the story. Crooked, indeed. Enjoy!

“My God, it’s Nancy!” Mrs. Barclay turned as white as death and would have fallen down had the dreadful-looking creature not caught hold of her.

Try Charlie Cook’s Quiz on “The Crooked Man”

1. Visiting Watson, Holmes noted that the doctor still smoked what tobacco?
2. What did Watson say made so many regard Holmes as a machine rather than a man?
3. Who did Watson say would take his cases if he went where with Holmes?
4. What case was Holmes currently investigating when he visited Watson’s home?
5. Most of the facts of the case had been provided for Holmes by whom?
6. What was the name of the villa where the murdered man dwelled and what was his wife’s maiden name?
7. Name the housemaid at the villa and the word she heard uttered twice behind a locked door?
8. What did Holmes consider the most distinctive and suggestive point in the case?
9. Where did Miss Morrison tell Holmes that she and the wife were approached by a deformed man?
10. Name the deformed man and his trade!
11. What Irregular did Holmes assign to watch the deformed man?
12. What was the deformed man’s companion and by what name was it

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5. The murderer had his leg amputated last month.
6. Ben met Jack for the first time 6 months ago.
7. Jack has been in seclusion since the crime.
8. Dan used to drink heavily.
9. Ben and Jeff built their last computers together.
10. The murderer is Jack’s brother. They grew up together in Seattle.

5. The name is written on the note

One snowy night, Sherlock Holmes was in his house sitting by the fire. All of a sudden a snowball came crashing through his window and broke it. Holmes got up and looked out the window just in time to see three neighborhood kids who were brothers run around a corner. Their names were John Crimson, Mark Crimson, and Paul Crimson.

The next day Holmes got a note that read: “? Crimson. He broke your window.”

Which of the three Crimson brothers should Sherlock Holmes question about the incident?

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News from SOB Sonia Fetherston, BSI: Coming to Amazon.com in July, THE BOOK “VILLAINS, VICTIMS, AND VIOLETS: AGENCY AND FEMINISM IN THE ORIGINAL SHERLOCK HOLMES CANON”. This anthology is the work of the Studious Scarlets Society, a group of thirty women scholars and Sherlockians—one of whom is...me! My essay, “She Blessed The Hand,” considers the Holmes story “Black Peter,” and the women who fell victim to (and were able to overcome) alcohol abuse and domestic violence in Victorian times. It's long since time to apply a modern lens to the women who engage Sherlock Holmes!

“Sherlock Holmes and the Case of the Christmas Carol” WILL BE PRESENTED NOVEMBER 27 TO DECEMBER 31 AT THE HARLEQUIN THEATRE IN OLYMPIA, WA. Their ad-vert: “Presumed dead for three years, a hardened Sherlock Holmes, turning his back on… Continued on Page 4

The 5th Annual International Sherlockian Summit—a meeting of the multiple scion societies headquartered in the Pacific Northwest (along the I-5 corridor from Portland, OR to Vancouver, BC) and beyond—will be hosted by The Dogs in the Nighttime of Anacortes, WA!

Date: Saturday, November 2, 2019
Time: Noon to 4:00 p.m.
Location: Village Pizza (upper level)
807 Commercial Avenue, in “Old Town” Anacortes, WA
(360) 293-7847, https://villagepizza.org/
Parking: Use the Bank of the Pacific parking lot next door, or space on the street.

Says our Hostess Dogs’ President Kathleen Kaska: “The format of the event will be much the same as at previous events: Social time between 12:00 and 1:00, followed by a Holmes Pub quiz, a few games and a few toasts (still in the planning). We will also have the traditional raffle.”

SOBs: Please send your suggestions for games and toasts to—and arrange any raffle donations with—our Club’s coordinator for this event, SOB Sheila Holtgrieve (sheilaholtgrieve@gmail.com), or SOB VP Kashena Konecki (konecki@gmail.com).
SOB Dr. Ed Funk Makes World News!!
Yes, Issue No. 387 for May 2019 of “THE NEWSLETTER OF THE SHERLOCK HOLMES SOCIETY OF LONDON” reported this:

“The 22nd of May was ACD’s 160th birthday. David Burke (Jeremy Brett’s first Watson) celebrated his 85th birthday on 25th May. Terri Haugen of The Sound of the Baskervilles in Washington State, sends word that long-time member Ed Funk, MD will be 95 on 13th June. Felicitations!”

We started a snail-mail and email campaign within the Club on June 1 to deluge “Dr. Ed” with birthday wishes and, according to the birthday boy on June 15, “Please pass along a ‘Thank you!’ to all the SOBs that sent me birthday wishes and cards. It made my day!”

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...the people who need him most. After an ominous warning from his nemesis Professor Moriarty, three unexpected callers arrive on Christmas Eve uncovering clues from the detective’s past, present and future. Can they save Holmes and his world from a dire end? Seattle playwright/SOB John Longenbaugh deftly steers us through this magical holiday mystery, one clue at a time.”

Current ticket prices are $50 general admission, $48 for seniors. (Group Rate [6 or more] = 20% off; i.e. $40 gen'l adm., $39 seniors.)

Time: 7:30 p.m. Evenings, 2:00 p.m. Matinees. Theater is located at 202—4th Ave. East (at the corner of 4th & Washington) in downtown Olympia. For box office hours, purchase tickets: https://harlequinproductions.org/box-office-info

A Note from Playwright John:

Harlequin’s new artistic director, Aaron Lamb, was in BOTH the Taproot productions in Seattle, playing different characters including young Holmes and Moriarty, so I’m really excited to see what he does with it!

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Sad Loss of Member Rev. Henry E. Ernst
We were saddened to learn of the passing of long-term SOB Member Reverend Henry Ernst. The return of his snail-mailed copy of the April issue of our monthly newsletter was our only notice. We thought we’d lost him once before when mail came back from Hampstead, MD as “undeliverable” but we found that he’d simply moved. This time, however, our envelope was marked “deceased”.

Sadly we could find no obit for Dr. Henry but we believe we located the right gent by matching info from our prior search to another minister who passed at 90 years in May. A fond adieu, Dr. Henry!

Longenbaugh Now on Symposium’s Agenda!!
Friday, October 11, 2019, 6:00 p.m. to Sunday, October 13, 2019, 1:00 p.m.
University Place Hotel & Conference Center, 310 S.W. Lincoln Street, Portland, OR
Call: 1.866.845.4647

UPDATE: Get excited for a talk and live action demonstration from writer and fighter Sob John Longenbaugh! He’ll be speaking on Sherlock Holmes’ use of baritsu (or, correctly bartitsu) and giving a demonstration. Read more and register: https://www.leftcoastsherlock.com/post/john-longenbaugh-to-speak-and-fight-at-lcss

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6. Think outside the box with this one

A man was found dead in a field of snow. The only evidence that was left was a set of footprints between two (2) parallel lines. Who should the police be looking for?

Solution may be found below! Source: https://brightside.me/wonder-quizess/13-sherlock-holmes-riddles-that-will-test-how-bright-you-are-670360/

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☞ From Jean Upton, The London Society’s District Messenger:

● Readers might already be familiar with AUTHOR DANIEL SMITH through “The Sherlock Holmes Companion” and “How to Think Like Sherlock”. In “SHERLOCK UN-LOCKED: LITTLE-KNOWN FACTS ABOUT THE WORLD’S GREATEST DETECTIVE” (Michael O’Mara, 2019, $12.95), Smith provides over a hundred brief essays on aspects of the character, the stories, and their creator. It’s an attractive little volume that would be a NICE GIFT FOR SOMEONE WHO IS NEW TO OUR GAME.

● “SHERLOCK HOLMES CYCLOPEDIA VOLUME 2: SHERLOCK HOLMES ON SCREENS 1940-1959” by Howard Ostrom & Thierry Saint-Joanis. (Mycroft’s Brother Editions, www.mycrofts.net, 2019, $33. hbk) The second in this fascinating series; information is again presented in a scrapbook format. We're now up to the Rathbone years, but this book is full of unexpected surprises.

● Howard Ostrom says: “It looks like a MORIARTY TV SHOW MIGHT BE IN PRE-PRODUCTION. We will have to keep an eye out for this.” Lucy Rawlings is cast as Charlotte Holmes, with Charlene Aldridge as Jane Watson. There’s more on IMDb: www.imdb.com/title/tt9612244/?ref_=tw AR2nwD3Bzc9B57 Eh1cKQh_XhUVoyBQDZoiai95qTpnbyYQ33_W1opgg9iuov4 Asks PFL David, however: So who’s playing Moriarty?

☞ From Peter Blau’s Scuttlebutt from the Spermaceti Press:

● THE OFFICIAL SHERLOCK PUZZLE BOOK by Chris Maslanka and Steve Tribe (San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 2018, $17.95) was first published by BBC Books in 2017 as a tie-in to the Sherlock TV series; it presents more than 165 challenging puzzles featuring characters from the Canon.

● THE AFFAIR OF THE MYSTERIOUS LETTER by Alexis Hall (New York: Ace, 2019, $16) is a delightful fantasy that features a consulting sorcerer named Shaharazad Haas and her sometimes-bewildered housemate Capt. John Wyndham. The initials are not just a coincidence: they live at 221B Martyrs Walk and the novel has many allusions to the Canon.

● The JAPAN SHERLOCK HOLMES CLUB HAS LAUNCHED A NEW WEBSITE—“THE WRITINGS ABOUT THE WRITINGS IN JAPAN”—offering abstracts in English of monographs published in their annual journal “The World of Sherlock Holmes” (www.holmesjapan.jp/english/writings.index.html). While launched in 1978, abstracts are now available for issues from 2002 to 2010, offering an excellent look at the sort of scholarship written by Sherlockians in Japan.

Answers To Cook’s Quiz on CROO on Page 2:

6. Think outside the box with this one


Answers To Cook’s Quiz on Page 4:

1. The Adventurer of the Abbey Grange

2. The Red Indian preserved

3. Simpson, Sir

4. The Murder of Colonel Clay

5. Major Murphy

6. Lachine; Nancy Devoy

7. Jane Stewart; David

8. The Singular Disappearance

9. Hudson Street.

10. Henry Wood; a conjurer

11. Simpson.

12. A mongoose; Teddy.

13. Mr. Lestrade

14. His Red Indian composure.

15. Audley Cavendish

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19. Lestrade

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Member News & Notes
Our June 1, 2019 South Sound Meeting was presided over by PFL David Haugen.

- SOB Members present were:
  - Nancy Holder
  - Geoff Jeffery
  - Jody Holm
  - Margaret Nelson
  - Judy Lyen
  - Cara Cross
  - Margie Deck
  - Al Nelson
  - Terri Haugen
  - Chris ‘Bear’ Berwald
  - Cameron Brandon

- David made announcements and we chatted about ENGR, but no quizzing or scoring was really done! Instead we played a bit with the “13 Sherlock Holmes Riddles That Will Test How Bright You Are” that Terri had provided and spent the rest of the time noshing and yakking on the patio!

Our June 19 Regular Monthly Meeting was presided over by PFL David Haugen.

- SOB Members present were:
  - Sheila Holtgrieve
  - Melinda Michaelson
  - Shannon Wallace
  - Chris ‘Bear’ Berwald
  - Cameron Brandon
  - Dawn Jaekel

- Sheila let us know that our 2019 Treasure Hunt Team—run by the John H. Watson Society (online) scion—will be she and SOBs Margie Deck, Cameron, Sunny, and Ron Lies, with Francis Bond acting as consultant. In a group this size hearing everyone was a breeze so scoring on ENGR was easy! Dawn and Chris were tied for 1st; Melinda was in a class by herself in 2nd; Cam and Sunny tied for 3rd; and Shannon, Kashena and Sheila pretty much tied for 4th—Winners all!!!

- Apologies to SOB Sherrill Hendrick for our tardiness in passing on her news!! I hope to attend sometime soon, so that I will be able to catch up with you delightfully informed and hilarious folks…I’m currently rereading my way through Laurie R. King’s award winning pastiche series on the married couple of Mary Russell and Sherlock Holmes. I have been attempting to create a pastiche-mashup world that includes people with names of the best folks in ACD’s Holmesian world, yet they are not ACD’s characters. The reason for this situation will be fully explained in the stories. Additional characters are from the worlds of Thomas the Tank Engine’s Island of Sodor, How the Galaxy’s Alpha Quadrant. It’s a complex challenge that’s quite enjoyable. Perhaps it’s similar to a cat who has driven the ball of yarn hither and thither through the house (under, over, around, behind); rather than the tired person coming home and faced with the tangled mess.”

The Sound of the Baskervilles...is a scion society of the Baker Street Irregulars, serving the greater Puget Sound Region of Western Washington, U.S.A., and has met monthly since March 31, 1980. $20 per year brings Members the monthly newsletter “Ineffable Twaddle”, a copy of Beaten’s Christmas Annual, and the incalculable benefits of association with a group of certifiable Holmes aficionados.

Meetings are held the 3rd Sunday of each month. Location of the meetings may vary. Regularly scheduled additional events throughout the year include: “The Masters’ Celebration” honoring the meeting of Holmes and Watson (March), “The Annual Wreath Throw” commemorating Holmes’ loss at Reichenbach Falls (May), “The Dr. John H. Watson Picnic” (July), and “The Will Beaten Memorial Jollification” (December). Other activities—book crawls, teas, plays and gaming events—are announced.

To join or to renew your membership, send your check for dues—$20 for individuals, $30 for families (U.S. funds only)—to the address shown at left.