



Ineffable Twaddle

"It is my business to know what other people don't know."

The Adventure of the Blue Carbuncle

A monthly publication of
The Sound of the Baskervilles
A Scion Society of the Baker Street Irregulars • Since March 31, 1980
Serving the Greater Puget Sound Region of Western Washington



Volume 33 Issue 11
November, 2014



By: SOB DC Smith

Holtgrieve has viewed the reward and has this to say about it: *"The prize is a media treat fully packed with Holmesian connections, one of which is so blatant that you might miss it entirely. It is a must for your personal library, even if you are like your erstwhile Club Librarian who had never seen one before."*

As was mentioned in the September 2014 issue of *Ineffable Twaddle*, the SOB Library now has a complete DVD set of the much-praised, but very seldom seen **Soviet Sherlock Holmes TV series**. Not only is this production well worth viewing purely on its own merit, but it has inspired a deep dark mystery, in the form of a fiendish trivia question. Yes, genuine trivia, so a Holmesian's keen eye and a bit of esoterica will be required to arrive at a solution to this case. **Are you up to it?**



THE QUESTION: In the Russian series' first episode: "Acquaintance", (Disc one; "Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson", based on "A Study in Scarlet" and "The Adventure of the Speckled Band"), the Set Dressers have prominently placed something—or some *things*—in 221B that not only *do not* belong there, but are strongly tied not to the USSR, but to the USA. **Unlike Watson, can you observe what you see? More importantly, can you correctly identify it?**



Of course your work is its own reward, but as an added inducement **a suitably splendid prize is offered** to the first SOB to correctly solve the mystery. The exact nature of the prize will not be revealed, as that would spoil the surprise.

But our trusted **SOB Librarian Sheila**

It is a must for your personal library, even if you are like your erstwhile Club Librarian who had never seen one before."



The suggestion of "viewing parties" has been put forward. And we are all for them.

You've got almost 6 months to do your research!! But keep your brainwaves to yourself, because the single prize is of a nature that cannot easily be shared.



THE RULES:

- ☆ Entries must be clearly written BOTH locating or naming AND correctly identifying the object (or objects) in question.
- ☆ Place your answer in a sealed envelope, with your name clearly printed on the outside.
- ☆ Submit your answer to me or Sheila at an upcoming meeting or mail it to me at: P.O. Box 99294, Seattle, WA 98139-0294. The date of receipt (*or postmark date for those mailed*) will be noted. At the conclusion of the contest, the first complete correct answer will be the winner.
- ☆ Entries must be received at or before the regular April 19, 2015 SOB meeting, the winner to be announced in the following issue of *Ineffable Twaddle*.

ALL SOBs are eligible, so give it a go!!

Inside this issue:

<i>Trivial Twaddle: You See But You Do Not Observe...</i>	1
<i>Finally, the Black Formosa Corruption</i>	2
<i>Places to Eat by Seattle Public Library: Queen Anne Branch</i>	2
<i>Queen Anne Location Was Good, but Good Enough?</i>	2
<i>Will Crakes Memorial Jollification is Saturday, December 6</i>	3
<i>Name The Story! Quiz #2 by SOB Charlie Cook</i>	3
<i>Lost Silent "Holmes" Film Discovered After Century</i>	3
<i>Things to See, Buy, Do & Know</i>	4
<i>Member News & Updates</i>	6



The Seattle Public Library on Queen Anne Hill is at 400

West Garfield, Seattle

Library opens at 1:00, and closes at 5:00. Come early, and catch up with other SOBs!



Driving Directions to the Queen Anne Library

From northbound or southbound I-5, exit at Mercer Street and head west. Turn right on Queen Anne Avenue, and head up the hill. At the 3-way stop sign at the top, turn left onto West Galer Street. At 4th Avenue, turn right. The library is one (1) block north, at the cross with Garfield Street, on the north-west corner. *(The next cross street to the north is Blaine.)*



Sherlock Holmes Coffee/Traveler Mug

Says Peter Blau: Thanks to a reader for spotting the “Sherlock Coffee” mug available at eBay.

Says PFL David: I found a listing for “Sherlock Holmes BBC TV Starbucks Tumbler Travel Mug Coffee Cup Made in Japan” for \$13.99 (+ \$9.99 shipping from China!!).

Chef Giuseppe Gorgiano says “Here are The SOBs’ requirements for holding meetings at a restaurant”:

- Seating for 15 to 25 people
- A standing reservation for our group on the 3rd Sunday each month
- No individual reservations or advance head-counts required
- Separate checks
- No limitation on number or type of menu items offered to us



Finally, the Black Formosa Corruption!

The November 16, 2014 Regular Monthly Meeting of The Sound of the Baskervilles will begin at **1:30 p.m.** at The Seattle Public Library at 400 West Garfield, Seattle (Queen Anne Branch).

PFL David got shouted down at our September Meeting—our last at T.S. McHugh’s—*so the story to study is again “The Adventure of the Dying Detective”.*

Says PFL David: In this our 45th short story in the Canon (by publication date) we are shocked at the attitude of some folks upon hearing of Holmes’ diseased state: “exultation”, “pleasure”??? Ye gawds, man, he is dying!!

Or, is he??!! How and why does Holmes convince both Mrs. Hudson and Dr. Watson of his dire condition? What possible help can Culverton Smith provide in dealing with this contagious disease?? Who is the real victim here??

Places to Eat by Seattle Public Library: Queen Anne Branch

With our Meetings being held at Queen Anne Library, you can eat prior to the meeting, after the meeting, or grab something to go and eat informally at the Library during our meeting!

Many thanks to SOBs
Jon Strandberg & Sue Reid
for this list of places to eat nearby!!!

What’s a Sherlockian event without food! Five blocks east of the Library is Queen Anne Avenue, which is loaded with restaurants. Among them are:

Before the Meeting:

• **The 5 Spot** at 1502 Queen Anne Avenue North. Open 8:30 a.m. to midnight daily, they serve regional American cuisine.

• **Hilltop Ale House** at 2129 Queen Anne Avenue North. Open Sundays 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., it provides decent pub fare. Says Jon, *“I believe the landlord runs a goose club at Christmas, and his beer, I’ve been told, is as good as his geese.”*



• **Orrapin Thai Cuisine** at 10 Boston Street (at the intersection of Queen Anne Avenue North and Boston). It’s open Sundays 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

• **The Paragon** at 2125 Queen Anne Avenue North. They offer a list of eclectic cuisine.



• **Olympia Pizza and Spaghetti** at 1500 Queen Anne Avenue North. Open Sundays 11:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., they have excellent pizza, with a Greek slant as their owner is Greek. Says Jon, *“I’m told he supplements his income interpreting for Greek visitors with no English skills.”*

After the Meeting:

• **Betty** at 1507 Queen Anne Avenue North. Open Sundays 4:30 to 9:00 p.m., she serves Northwest cuisine.

• **Via Tribunali** at 317 West Galer Street (*Galer is one block south of the Library*). Open Sundays 5:00 to 10:00 p.m., they offer good (but pricey) pizza and Italian food.



Queen Anne Location Was Good, but Good Enough?

Those attending our October 19 Meeting at the Queen Anne branch of the Seattle Public Library seemed highly impressed. The room we’ve been assigned is spacious, seating is plentiful, parking is nearby and the WC is right across the hall. The weather was glorious, so we were able to leave the ground-level entry open for those challenged by stairs.

We don’t know if our stint at this location will continue past December. **We need more comments and input! Kindly phone or email PFL David (see P. 6) your answers to these questions:**

- Is this Queen Anne location convenient for YOU?
- Was the location and setting of our October Meeting the reason YOU did not attend?
- Are YOU ok with a non-restaurant location?
- Are YOU ok with eating before, during or after the Meeting at a non-restaurant location?
- If YOU prefer a restaurant setting, can you recommend a new one for us? In the column at left is the list of our restaurant requirements.

Will Crakes Memorial Jollification is December 6

✂ Kick off the holiday season with a ✂ visit to Federal Way! Food and fun to welcome the holiday season: The SOB's Annual Will Crakes Memorial Jollification!!

SOB Carrol Clemens has invited us to her home on Saturday, December 6 at 1:00 p.m. to celebrate our Annual Will Crakes Memorial Jollification!! ✂

Whip up your favorite sweet dessert or savory snack and bring it, or a favorite beverage, along to share! Your contributions of desserts, snacks, and beverages are welcome and highly anticipated!!

✂ **Says** PFL David, "If you have not attended this event before, we encourage you to start! It is just a great way to kick off the holidays! There'll be lots of fun amidst a relaxed atmosphere with your fellow SOB's."

For newer Members, Will Crakes was a Seattle antiques dealer and a Sherlockian of some renown. He was a much-beloved Member of The Sound of the Baskervilles, often hosting either our Master's Dinner or our annual holiday party. He loved good food and drink, good cigars, Holmes & Watson, and his fellow SOB's. His death was a major loss to our Club, thus our memorializing of him through our Annual Will Crakes' Memorial Jollification!

Driving Directions to Carrol 's Home

From I-5 north- or southbound, exit in Federal Way at S.W. 320th Street and head west. After passing through intersections at 21st Ave. S.W. and 26th Ave. S.W., turn left on S.W. 323rd Street. Then take the first left on 33rd Avenue S.W. Clemens' home will be on your right at 32148—33rd Avenue S.W. If you need further, call her at (253) 838-1790.



From Editor Terri Haugen

Your submission to our 2015 issue of **BEATEN'S CHRISTMAS ANNUAL**

is due by December 31, 2014.

This will be our 32nd year of publishing our Members' pastiches, quizzes, recipes, jokes, illustrations, puzzles, commentary, research and more!!

Don't be left out!!

If you have questions, please phone or e-mail me. Then, e-mail or snail-mail your submission soon!!

Name The Story! Quiz #2 by SOB Charlie Cook

1. A personalized valise.
2. A cowardly visage.
3. Not really a Romantic scholar.
4. Seaside properties of Pons, other teller of tales.
5. Hateful attitude of a Theda Bara-type from a British County.
6. It may have helped a certain scientist



obtain transportation.

7. A pride or so of Italian cats.

8. He may have been consulted by the Easter Bunny.

9. Maybe baseball, possibly not.

10. Found in a colorful geometry class.



Spoiler alert: Answers on Page 5!

Lost Silent "Holmes" Film Discovered After Century

A complete print of the 1916 silent film, "Sherlock Holmes" featuring William Gillette, has been found in an archive in France.

Says SOB Ann Milam: I found the details of the find in *Variety* at: <http://variety.com/2014/film/news/lost-sherlock-holmes-film-discovered-william-gillette-1201318659/>. I hadn't known this film was the only one Gillette ever appeared in!!

Says SOB Sonia Fetherston, BSI: It's right now being restored in Italy. I spoke with one of the restorers (Russ Merritt, BSI, professor emeritus of film studies from UC Berkley). He's in Italy working shoulder-to-shoulder with the restorers and told me that if I could see what he's seen of Gillette's performance I would "cry tears of joy."

The restored film will be shown in Paris in January and in San Francisco in May at their 2015 Silent Film Festival.

I plan on going to San Francisco to see it there and **am currently scheduled to discuss it at The SOB's July 19, 2015 Meeting in Seattle.**

This is just absolutely amazing news—a Holmes film everybody thought was LOST forever is now here for our generation to re-discover!



From SOB Margie Deck

This three minute trailer titled "A Lifetime of Original British Drama on the BBC"—which

offers a unique glimpse of some of the BBC's biggest upcoming dramas—just might make you into a Cumber-babe, if you aren't one already: http://m.youtube.com/watch?v=h92iEc_t-IM



From Proud Pop & SOB James Romnes

Our budding Chef and Sherlockian Emily entered the Mason County Oysterfest's "2014 Seafood Cook-Off" in Shelton in September. At age 16 she was the youngest participant ever. Her entry was in the category appetizers and was something she dreamed up called "Oysters Benedict".

This was no Maiwand defeat for her: *She not only won the gold in her category, she also won "best overall"—in fierce competition against contestants that included executive chefs! Mrs. Hudson would be proud.*



The SOB's Electronic Stops

We're on the web at:
www.soundofthebaskervilles.com



Like us on Facebook at:
www.facebook.com/soundofthebaskervilles

Follow us on Twitter at:
twitter.com/SeattleSherlock



Follow us on Tumblr at:
<http://thesoundofthebaskervilles.tumblr.com/>

**From PFL David**

For those who can get KCTS—Seattle's PBS station—get ready for **Queen**



Victoria in November: They have the slot 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. advertised as "Tea Time"!

Queen Victoria Legacy Showcase 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

- 11/7—Edward VIII-The Nazi King
- 11/10 & 11/11—Queen Victoria's Empire
- 11/12—Queen Victoria and the Crippled Kaiser
- 11/12—Extraordinary Women: Wallis Simpson
- 11/14—Wallis Simpson: The Secret Letters

Queen Victoria's Children 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

- 11/12 & 11/13

Repeats in the evening 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. as follows:

- 11/2—Edward VIII-The Nazi King
- 11/9—Queen Victoria and the Crippled Kaiser
- 11/16—Wallis Simpson: The Secret Letters

For those living beyond Western Washington, check your local PBS listings for November!!

Things to See, Buy, Do and Know

• **As seen on our Twitter page:** "221B Con" says they are "A fan con for all things Sherlock Holmes in Atlanta, GA, April 10—12, 2015". More: 221bcon.com.

• **From SOB DC Smith:**

⇒ Stephanie Ogle at Cinema Books in the U-District (*4753 Roosevelt Way N.W.*) says she has a **2015 Benedict Cumberbatch calendar** available for \$16.⁹⁵. She cautions that the photos are not necessarily Cumberbatch as Holmes.



⇒ Victorian, though not Sherlockian, are **Benjamin Pollock's Toy Theatres**, which are still available at Pollock's Toy Shop in Covent Garden. Check them out at:

www.pollocks-coventgarden.co.uk They are great fun!

• **From SOB Webmaster Stu Nelan** (*back from a day at the great State Fair of Texas in Dallas in early October*):

⇒ A group of us from The Crew of the Barque Lone Star went to see the play "**Sherlock Holmes and the Case of the Jersey Lily**"—another telling of the Gillette play with Lily Langtry and Oscar Wilde introduced. Very well done, very interesting, very enjoyable evening.

⇒ One of the members attending that day was Dean Clark, retired editor of the Society of Geophysicists publication "The Leading Edge". He and Society of Exploration Geophysicists (SEG) member Enders Robinson have just published a **new book through SEG called "Remote Sensing in Action: The Curious Case of Sherlock Holmes and Albert Einstein"**. He had a early-publication copy with him, and it should be available soon. Don't know what the price will be, but I'm sure it will be good! Watch for it at www.seg.org/publications/subscriptions

• **From The Stormy Petrel's Prez Fran Martin (Vancouver, BC):**

⇒ From start to finish, the "**Gillette to Brett IV Conference**" in September at the university in Bloomington, IN did not disappoint—from marvelous guest speakers discussing all aspects of Holmes on the stage, on radio, on TV, in movies and the fandom, to handling

rare manuscripts and books and seeing many items used in the filming of Holmes in movies and for television. It was a wonderful opportunity to re-connect with old friends and meet new ones; a chance to exchange ideas and share stories. Sherlockian fellowship at its best! I can't wait for "Gillette to Brett V".

⇒ On October 22, The **Petrels attended a dinner with Peter Blau, BSI and Dan Polvere, BSI** who were in town for the Geological Society of America annual meeting. Peter had sent me a copy of my cousin's published paper on a geological topic. My cousin is a professor of geology at the University of Hanover in Germany and has traveled extensively working for the German Geological Survey. (*Our own Al & Margaret Nelson drove up for the dinner also—retired geologists both!*)

• **From The Crew of the Barque Lone Star Prez Steve Mason (Dallas, TX):** For those in the DFW area, we've started a **movie night at a member's home** once every two months or so. Our first was a showing of Basil Rathbone's "The Hound of the Baskervilles" on October 25. We served munchies and a dessert as well as coffee and tea, but it was BYOB for those wanting to partake of spirits. Check our newsletter, The Bilge Pump, for updates. **Editor's Note:** *A movie night sounds like a good idea for The SOBs too! Perhaps a viewing of the Russian Sherlock Holmes TV series, in preparation for our new contest?? See Page 1!!*

• **From SOB Margaret Nelson:** We received the **2015 Taproot Theater schedule** and noticed two intriguing plays: One is "The Explorers' Club", set in London in 1879—described as "an unprecedented female member could destroy the balance of the entire British Empire!" Runs from January 28 to February 28. The second is "Jeeves Intervenes", based on P.G. Wodehouse's "Jeeves and the Hardboiled Egg". A few years ago we saw another Wodehouse adaptation, 'Jeeves in Love', which was excellent with wonderful costumes too! So I expect these will be good and people can wear historic costume if they wish. For more, go to: www.taproottheatre.org

• **From PFL David:**

⇒ MSN had a small... **Continued on Page 5**

Things to See, Buy, Do and Know

Continued from Page 4

headline recently that read, "Holmes as Jackie O". I thought, **What is Cumberbatch doing dressed as a former U.S. First Lady?** When I clicked on the headline, this is what came up: Katie Holmes reprising Jackie O role in miniseries. This just goes to show you that you can't trust everything on the internet.

⇒ **Jet City Improv will have a new improvised Sherlock mystery!** It is set in the modern era, stars a fantastic lady Holmes and lady Watson. It opens right before the Sherlock Seattle Convention on January 8 and runs through mid-February! This live show will be made up on the spot, fast-paced and hilarious, PLUS the entire cast will be coached on all things Holmes. Expect plenty of Canonical tomfoolery and choice references to the adaptations. *(Says PFL David: For those concerned about a lady playing Holmes, I give you a quote from Moriarty in The Final Problem: "You have less frontal development than I should have expected.")*

• **From SOB Bill Seil:** The TV movie "Sherlock Holmes in New York" is now available on DVD (\$19.99 from Amazon). It stars Roger Moore as Holmes and Patrick McNee as Watson.

• **From SOB Jim Nagle:** Benedict Cumberbatch has been immortalized as a wax figure at *Madame Tussauds* in London.



The life-sized statue was unveiled in late October. "I'm excited to see the finished, perfect, waxy me, although slightly terrified," said Cumberbatch. "The work is so detailed it's going to feel a little uncomfortable and surreal seeing what I really look like. I just wish it could take 'selfies' and sign autographs."

• **From District Messenger Editor Roger Johnson:** ⇒ "Good things come in small packages." That's certainly true of the tiny but gorgeous item published on 2 October by Walker Books and the Royal Collection Trust. In 1922 Conan Doyle was one of the notable authors who were invited to contribute to **the library of Queen Mary's Dolls' House.** "*How Wat-*

son Learned the Trick" was the result, a very short self-parody, written in his small neat hand on tiny sheets of paper that were then exquisitely bound for the Dolls' House library. Conan Doyle's delightful little joke isn't nearly as well-known as it should be, and this beautiful facsimile of the unique original is a real treasure. It comes in a lovely gold-stamped cloth-bound package, with an attractive, informative booklet. *(PFL David ordered his copy online from Book Depository and paid \$16.40 for it.)*

⇒ "**Sherlock Holmes and the Scottish Question, or Sons of the Thistle**" (by Mike Hogan) seems singularly appropriate to the year of the Scottish referendum, as it starts with the reported theft of the Coronation Stone from Westminster Abbey, leading Holmes to uncover a plot by Scottish nationalists to destroy the Union. In the shadows behind the plot is a foreign power, whose aim goes beyond the dismantling of the U.K. Terrorism, espionage, danger and hair's-breadth escapes make *The Scottish Question* a political thriller rather than a detective story—and why not? There's also wit and a pinch of satire in the mix. Mr. Hogan writes well too. *(PFL David says you can get it online from Amazon for \$13.46 plus tax & postage, or \$13.44 from Book Depository.)*

• **From Peter Blau:** This may be a first for Sherlockian collectors: Warpzone Prints uses a 3D printer to make an assortment of "geeky themed cookie cutters," and Holmes and Watson are included (based on BBC's "Sherlock" series). There's a "Sherlock Profiles Cookie Cutter Set" (\$7), and a "Sherlock Portraits Cookie Cutter Set" (\$10). Go to: www.warpzoneprints.com.

SAD NEWS FROM DOWN UNDER

Our Aussie friend **Steve Duke of the Sherlock Holmes Society of Victoria—Elementary Victorians** sent us his last issue of their newsletter, *The Morning Echo*, in September and the news that he's had to step down as their President after 23 years due to ill health! He's been a good friend to The SOBs, and we wish him all the best. *(Steve did give us the e-mail of another of their members, whom we'll keep on our e-list.)*



The Third Sherlock Seattle Convention is January 9 to 11, 2015 at The

Broadway Performance Hall!!

Membership now through ↓	Basic	VIP
December 26 "Boxing Day":	\$45	\$65
At the Door:	\$55	\$75

Theme: Curious Collections
Guests of Honor are NOW:

Tim Johnson, U of Minnesota

Peggy Perdue, Toronto Public Library

For further details as they develop, check our social media!!

Facebook at: www.facebook.com/soundofthebaskervilles

Twitter at: twitter.com/SeattleSherlock

Tumblr at: <http://thesoundofthebaskervilles>.

Answers to Charlie Cook's "Name The Story!" Quiz (See Page 3)

1. A personalized valise. **A Case of Identity**
2. A cowardly visage. **Yellow Face**
3. Not really a Romantic scholar. **The Greek Interpreter**
4. Seaside properties of Pons, other teller of tales. **The Copper Beeches**
5. Hatful attitude of a Theda Bara-type from a British County. **The Sussex Vampire**
6. It may have helped a certain scientist obtain transportation. **The Engineer's Thumb**
7. A pride or so of Italian cats. **The Six Napoleons**
8. He may have been consulted by the Easter Bunny. **The Dying Detective**
9. Maybe baseball, possibly not. **The Red-Headed League**
10. Found in a colorful geometry class. **The Red Circle**



The Sound
of the
Baskervilles

By appointment
of Her Majesty,
Queen Victoria

Ineffable Twaddle

A monthly publication of
The Sound of the Baskervilles
A Scion Society of the Baker Street Irregulars since March 31, 1980
Serving the Greater Puget Sound Region of Western Washington

President: David Haugen, PFL, SOB, PSC
Treasurer: Hank Deck (spanawaydeck@yahoo.com)
Vice President: Kashena Konecki (konecki@gmail.com)
Secretary/Editor: Terri Haugen (terri@soundofthebaskervilles.com)
Board Member Emeritus: Al Nelson (nelsonah46@yahoo.com)
Lending Librarian: Sheila Holtgrieve (sheilaholtgrieve@gmail.com)
Webmaster: Stuart Nelan (stu.nelan@gmail.com)
Website: www.soundofthebaskervilles.com

Direct correspondence to:
The Sound of the Baskervilles
6710 – 51st Street Court West
University Place, WA 98467-2287
Phone: (253) 460-2753
Email: david@soundofthebaskervilles.com

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 Master's Dinner" celebrating 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 Crakes Memorial Jollification" (December). Other activities—book crawls, teas, plays and gaming events—are as announced.

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



Dates of Interest

- **SUNDAY,**
November 16
Regular Monthly Meeting
1:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Queen Anne Library, 400 West Garfield, Seattle
- **SATURDAY,**
December 6
Annual Holiday Jollification
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Home of SOB Carrol Clemens, Federal Way
- **SUNDAY,**
December 21
Regular Monthly Meeting
1:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Queen Anne Library, 400 West Garfield, Seattle

Member News & Updates

SOBs attending our October 19, 2014 SOB Meeting, presided over by **PFL David Haugen** were:

Lauren Messenger	Airy Maher	Terri Haugen
Sheila Holtgrieve	Margie Deck	Hank Deck
John Longenbaugh	Larry Raisch	Sue Reid
Jon Strandberg	Ed Funk	Joyce Funk
Vivika Sundqvist	Al Nelson	Pat McIntosh

● It was great to see **Dr. Ed & Joyce**, who've avoided us due to the bad parking down the hill on Mercer ★ **Larry** finally got to his third Meeting, where he got lucky on our auction items and took home some treats! ★ **Al** had stayed in town the night before to see Seattle Opera's production of "Don Giovanni". He also talked about their recent trip to the UK, friends they've made and visited with, and showed treasures and photos brought home ★ **Margie** has agreed to entertain us at the December 21 Meeting with something surprising on our annual visit to BLUE ★ Everyone seemed to warm to our new space at the Library. **Sheila, John L** and others brought treats; **Sue & Jon** brought a list of recommended restaurants in the neighborhood (see P. 2 for that list) ★ Our guests included **Katherine Rudebusch**, who's studying art at U-Dub and found us on the web; we also welcomed **Daniel Polvere, BSI**. He's a member of The Speckled Band of Boston, but living in Bellingham currently ★ **Airy's** "Holmes on the Radio" talk was enthusiastic and informative, with lots of "color" and good

asides! See more at our website at: <http://www.soundofthebaskervilles.com/recent.html>

● Thanks to a lead from **SOB Jean Macdonald**, we thought we'd found another option to consider for future SOB Meetings! But, it appears the "Terrible Beauty" chain is no more: All our phone calls went unanswered and their web presence is gone.

● We got a charming and lengthy letter from **SOB Dr. Henry Ernst** in Hampstead...not England...but Maryland! He's been an SOB since early 2009 and is a retired pastor. He'd resolved 2013 would be his last year teaching bible classes but, naturally as any good retiree, he's continued doing so this year. He says he'll be celebrating his 85th on November 10! *All best wishes from The SOBs for a happy birthday to you, Dr. Henry!!*

● The SOB team of **Margie Deck** and **Sheila Holtgrieve** continue to amaze in The Watson Society weekly quizzes!! They scored "10/10" or "100%" in quizzes for weeks 36, 38, 39, 40, 42 and 43—they took week 41 off! For week 39, the Society blog page posted Sheila's "more expansive solution" on Moriarty's binomial theorem. For week 42, they actually scored 11/10, earning an extra point for Margie's "most creative answer" to the first question! Watch <http://www.johnhwatsonsonociety.com/quiz-page.html> for weekly updates!