

July 2024

## THE PRIORY SCHOLARS OF NEW YORK CITY



Dear Scholars,

We are delighted to invite you to the Summer 2024 session of the Priory Scholars. Class will be held on **Saturday, July 13, 12pm-4pm EDT**. Guard your ankles against aggressive bull terriers, and meet at THE CHURCHILL TAVERN, 45 East 28th Street, New York, NY 10016, located between Madison and Park Avenues, around the corner from the 28th Street subway station for the 4 & 6 trains.

Our meeting will be centered around **“The Adventure of the ‘Gloria Scott.’”** We will be challenged by another of Prof. Raj Pandravada’s prosaic but effective quizzes. Other possible topics of discussion include:

- **“a communicative humor”** – Although Watson writes it, most of the adventure is told from the point of view of Sherlock Holmes. How does this shift affect the story?
- **“that’s your line of life, sir”** – Holmes tells us this was a formative experience in his career, the matter that turned his mind towards a career. What do we learn by considering this case, this mystery, as his origin story?
- **“we hoped our past was forever buried”** – Consider the role that memory and the idea of “the past” play in this story. Many characters in this story are looking backwards and framing their own narratives; how does everyone use memory, or legacy, in their own way?

Our dining room can comfortably seat approx. 35 people, and we are asking that students pay for class at the time of enrollment; we will otherwise not be able to hold your place. Please send your RSVP and **tuition fee of \$40** no later than **Saturday, July 6** to our Bursar, Prof. Christopher Zordan, via Paypal to **cazordan@aim.com**; choose the “send money to friends” option. You may also send a check payable to Christopher Zordan, 242 Rooney Court, East Brunswick, NJ 08816. If you have any questions, please email [PrioriNYC@gmail.com](mailto:PrioriNYC@gmail.com). If financial challenges may prevent you from attending, please contact the Headmaster directly at **NickMartorelli@gmail.com** to inquire about our scholarship program.

As always, **if you feel sick, please do not attend**. Kindly let us know via email, and we can discuss how your payment can be transferred.

In addition to a spirited discussion and prizes for quiz winners, there will be toasts, chit-chat, and more! As usual, if you are interested in offering a toast, please inquire of Prof. Tamar Zeffren ([tamar.zeffren@gmail.com](mailto:tamar.zeffren@gmail.com)) or the Headmaster.

Yours with milk and biscuits,

Nick Martorelli, Headmaster

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