

THE PRIORY SCHOLARS OF NEW YORK CITY

Dear Scholars,

As the season turns towards fall, so too may thoughts turn toward more bracing adventures, and so The Priory Scholars invite you to our next virtual meeting on **Saturday, October 17, 2020, from 1:00-4:00 PM**. As with our summer session, class will be held via Zoom, and login information will be sent to all **registered** participants.

The story for this meeting is **"The Problem of Thor Bridge.**" We will be challenged by another of Prof. Raj Pandravada's perplexing quizzes. In preparation, I encourage you to read the story and reflect upon some possible topics of discussion, below:

- **"a formidable man"** Consider the personality of J. Neil Gibson, as well as his interactions with his wife, Holmes, Grace Dunbar, and Mr. Bates
- "what perverted love can bring about" Compare the depiction of both women in this tale, and consider that we only hear about one of them second hand
- **"a sufficient clue"** This crime has an abundance of clues, both at the scene and elsewhere. How do these clues spotlight Holmes's methods?

We are happy to make our virtual meetings **FREE** for all scholars and guests. Our virtual meeting room might be larger than our physical one, but **reservations are still required** and must be received by **Tuesday**, **October 13**. To confirm your attendance, please email our Bursar, Prof. Christopher Zordan at <u>cazordan@aim.com</u>. As this meeting is open to Sherlockians across the country, we recommend reserving your space early.

As we meet online to ensure participant safety, we continue to cherish our Manhattan home, **THE CHURCHILL TAVERN**. They have re-opened for outdoor dining, and we continue to hope they will be there for us when we are once again able to meet in person. Though we are not requiring tuition fees for our gathering, once again **we are accepting any donation you wish to make to the Churchill**, and will send them 100% of your gift. As always, you may send a check payable to Christopher Zordan, 242 Rooney Court, East Brunswick, NJ 08816. Payment can also be made via Paypal to <u>cazordan@aim.com</u>; choose the "send money to friends" option. Please email <u>PrioryNYC@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

In addition to our spirited discussion and prizes for quiz winners, there will be toasts, reports from recent Sherlockian events, a rousing rendition of our school song, and more! If you are interested in offering a toast, please inquire of Prof. Tamar Zeffren (tamar.zeffren@gmail.com) or the Headmaster (NickMartorelli@gmail.com.)

Yours, with milk and biscuits,

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