

# Nashville Scholars of the Three Pipe Problem

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As light is such a critical component of the Hound of the Baskerville, so is light to our band of Southern scholars.

Hear the words from the Master:

"Really, Watson, you excel yourself," said Holmes, pushing back his chair and lighting a cigarette. "I am bound to say that in all the accounts which you have been so good as to give of my own small achievements you have habitually underrated your own abilities. It may be that you are not yourself luminous, but you are a **conductor of light**. Some people without possessing genius have a remarkable power of stimulating it. I confess, my dear fellow that I am very much in your debt."

Light and darkness fight each other throughout the story fo the gigantic hound as it fights its legendary battle down to the last of the Baskervilles. Whether it be the light of day which sweeps away the fear ort the light of the moon which casts its ominous glow across Dartmoor and the Grimpen Mire.

And, phosphorus is layered onto the Hound to give him his eerie glow, no such artificial ingredient is necessary for this gentleman.

An ever present and dynamic player of the birthday weekend celebration in New York City, we are fortunate that he has left his New Jersey roots to join his country cousin here. He sings, he dances, and he quotes poems and scriptures. His talent seems to never end.

A collector of obscure books with Canonical ties, he always seems to be able to bring the appropriate point to the conversation from his years of study and inquiry into the Sherlockian world. But his interests run the gambit which allows him to share a wealth of knowledge and learning when we gather.

Among us is a brilliant light who shares his love for Holmes and Watson with us. While not a native of the southern lands, he certainly has been able to acclimate to our biscuit and gravy ways although he has been known to surrender his biscuit to a Scholar in need. He fits into this society as if he had been here for years and we are even noticing just a bit of Southern drawl occasionally slipping past his lips.

From this day forward, let it be known that Drew Thomas shall be recognized as Conductor of Light of this august group.