



“[T]hese little records of our cases”

The Baker Street Irregulars Trust Collection Guidelines

The mission of the BSI Trust is to collect, preserve, and share the history of the BSI through documents, publications, photographs, video, and other media produced by or affiliated with the BSI and its members.

The following list is an overview of the types of records with long-term historical value that the BSI Trust seeks to collect. Within each category, the BSI Trust is interested in records that are both analog and digital.

Before donating materials, please contact the board chair of the BSI Trust at <TrustChair@bakerstreetirregulars.com>.

- Correspondence
 - Among and from BSI members pertaining to the BSI
- BSI artifacts and ephemera, including BSI membership certificates, medals, objects produced for presentations at the BSI Dinner, and awards
- Production materials for *The Baker Street Journal*
 - Correspondence between contributors and editors
 - Manuscripts and drafts of published articles and letters
 - Artwork contributed to the *BSJ*
- BSI Press and Pamphlet House records
 - Correspondence between contributors and editors
 - Manuscripts and drafts of published essays
 - Artwork supplied for BSI Press volumes
- BSI Conference records
 - Planning meeting minutes
 - Programs and conference proceedings
 - Surveys
 - Publicity materials
 - Contracts
- Photographs
 - Official BSI Dinner photos
 - Unofficial photos of BSI Dinners, especially the early years
 - Photos of BSI Members and *The Women*
 - Photos of other BSI Events (e.g. BSI Conferences, field trips, various runnings of the Silver Blaze)

- Audiovisual records
 - Recordings of BSI Dinners
 - Recordings of BSI Conferences
 - Recordings of BSI field trips
 - Recordings of BSI Members presenting on Sherlockian subjects in other venues
- Toasts, presentations, and speakers' notes for BSI events (e.g. the Distinguished Speaker Lecture)
- Deeds of gifts to the BSI
- BSI mission statement(s)
- Publicity materials

NOTE: The BSI Trust is NOT collecting material about the history of the various scion societies. The BSI Trust does NOT collect non-BSI publications relating to Sherlockiana, unless there is a significant BSI association or provenance.

However, non-BSI Sherlockian publications and other Sherlockiana will be accepted as donations in kind by the BSI Trust for resale to support the BSI Trust.

The BSI Trust is happy to respond to queries about donating materials or to assist with making provision in your estate to donate cash to The BSI Trust. Please contact the board chair of the BSI Trust at TrustChair@bakerstreetirregulars.com.