

# The Whippoorwill

Eta Chapter of Psi Upsilon Fraternity – Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA

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Greetings Brothers. In the February issue I mentioned that the undergraduates were under increased pressure and financial demands attempting to execute a successful rush in pandemic conditions. I asked alumni to help on the financial side, and commended the undergraduates for the job they were doing under such unique circumstances. I am happy to report that our Eta brothers met both challenges with great success.

First, on the financial side, over 30 alumni sent in donations totaling nearly \$4000 to help defer the cost of meeting prospective members at restaurants rather than the Chapter House. Special thanks go to this [growing] list of “Clasped Hands” level alumni who recently donated \$250 or more.

Gregory Mueller '87	Nicholas Steiner '10	Brad Groff '88
Phillip Gauffreau '84	John Mathews '81	Steve Foresti '89
John Spafford '83	John Hemmendinger '79	Paul LaPorta '79

It is not too late [ever] to join this illustrious list – or to just make a \$50 dues payment. We are expecting unplanned expenses when we finally – well after a year – get back into the Chapter House in August. Just click the memberplanet link below and send in your support so that today’s young people can enjoy the same type of experience that you had. Alternatively, checks can be sent to the GLA Treasurer at **Goodale Literary Association c/o Rob Stone 3179 Rachel Dr. Bethlehem, PA, 18020-2858**. If you donate \$250 or more, you earn a frame-quality print of the Chapter House.

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## Rush Success Leads to Initiation of 18 New Brothers

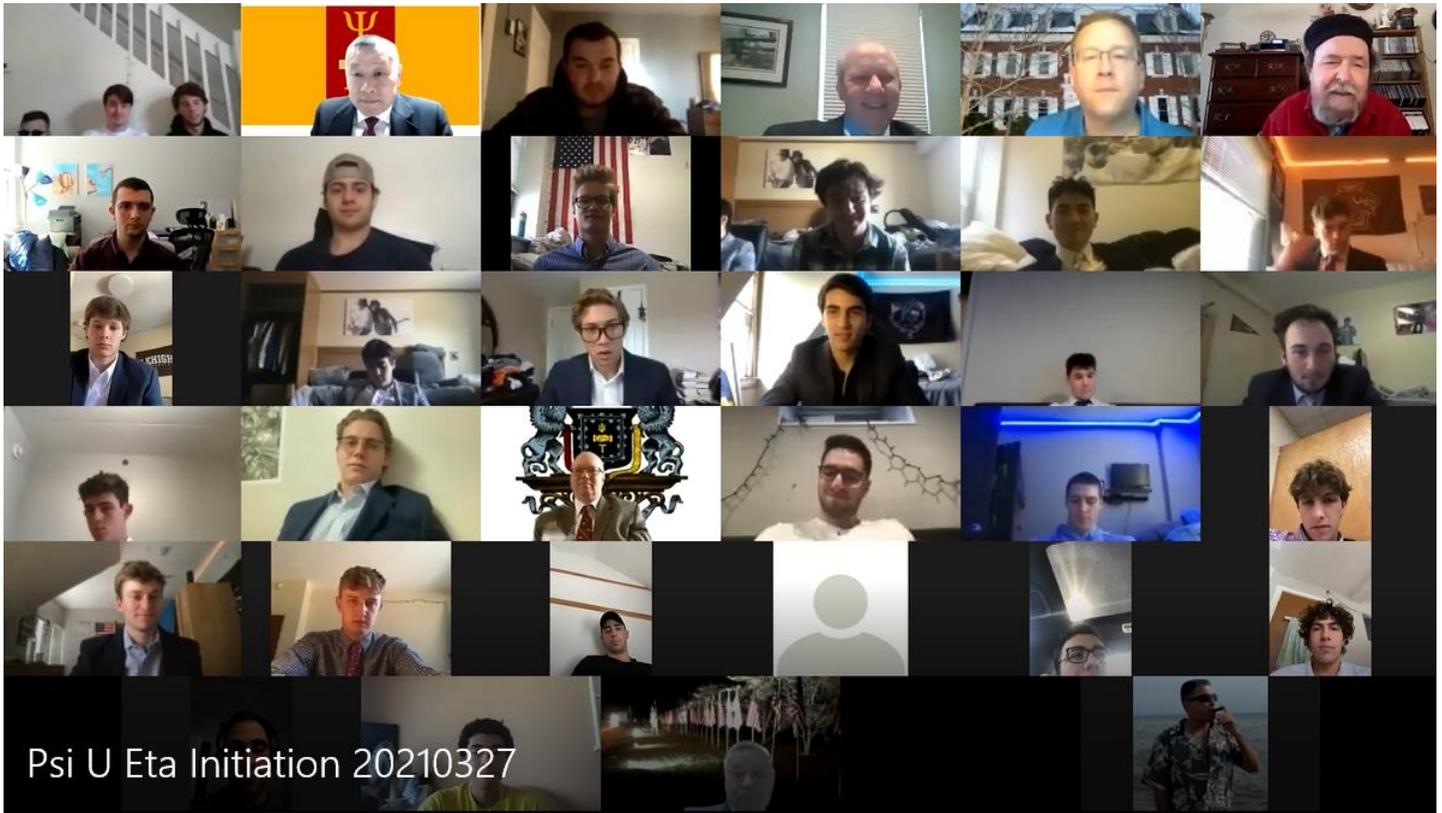
Our undergraduate Brothers weathered the pandemic quite well indeed. Not only have they maintained their own relationships while lacking a central living or meeting place, but they successfully recruited 18 men to join those “who wear the emblem of the chosen few”. On March 27<sup>th</sup>, many alumni joined the undergraduate brothers and the to-be new Brothers in a via Zoom initiation ceremony. Clicks go to alumni that helped the undergrads in making the best of a less than desirable situation: Gary Pan, Declan Nowak, Matt Hamati, Steve Moore.

The ceremony began with Bill Bear leading the singing of the Initiation Dirge.



All ye mortals who have trod the ashen way  
And whose feet have brushed aside Cyprian dew,  
If your palsied hand can grasp the flaming blade,  
We will tell you the secrets of Psi U,  
Of Psi U, of Psi U,  
We will tell you the secrets of Psi U

The Archon and Executive Board led the ceremony [sorry, missed getting their photo]. Gary Pan assisted as quasi-master-of-ceremony. Renditions of Welcome Brothers Old and Young, and Dear Old Shrine were sung. [Do you remember the tunes?] Russ Allison – as the most senior Brother attending – ended the Symposiums.



## 2. DEAR OLD SHRINE

*By: Prof. C. S. Harrington, D.D., Xi '52  
Air—"Dearest Mae."*

—1—

Come brothers of Psi Upsilon, who trod its halls of Yore,  
Unbar the ivied gate of years, and tread these halls once more;  
The buried jewels glitter still—the ling'ring voices call,  
While we, with spirit gaze and grasp, at ancient alters fall.

### CHORUS

O dear old shrine,  
Our hearts around thee twine;  
We love thee yet,  
We'll ne're forget  
The days of auld lang syne.

—2—

Come brothers of this later time, of earlier worth the peers,  
Who bear the honors of the past along the hurrying years;  
Ye keep our temple walls still bright, ye weave the wreaths of bay,  
Ye feed the hallowed vestal fires we gather round today.

—3—

Come brothers of the then and now, one, whom no time can part,  
Linked by a chain whose diamond clasp gleams bright above each heart;  
Come sing again the good old songs, the mystic bond still bless,  
The diamond of Psi Upsilon shall never sparkle less.

*After 3<sup>rd</sup> verse, chorus is sung twice. First time it is sung at normal volume, second time it is sung very softly.*

## 5. WELCOME, BROTHERS, OLD AND YOUNG

*By: Charles Harry Arndt, Iota '89  
Air—"Tramp, tramp, tramp, the boys are marching."  
Written for the Convention of 1888.*

—1—

Welcome brothers, old and young,  
Welcome ev'ry loyal son,  
All who wear the emblem of the chosen few;  
Let us loud our voices ring,  
And each brother gladly sing,  
Sing the praises of our own, our lov'd Psi U

### CHORUS

Psi Upsilon, Psi U forever!  
Symbols dearest to our heart!  
Ever 'round thy holy shrine  
We'll the victor's myrtle twine,  
And our love for thee,  
Psi U, shall ne're depart.

—2—

In our various paths of life  
Cares and sorrow may be rife,  
And the night be dark and faithful friends be few;  
When the storm is raging high,  
And deep darkness rules the sky,  
Then the beacon light shall burst from old Psi U

—3—

When our race on earth is run,  
And our labor here is done,  
And the jeweled crown of life is fairly won,  
May our last, faint, faltering breath,  
Ere 'tis hush'd in silent death,  
Breathe the sweetest of all words, Psi Up-si-lon.

## Eta Founder's Day Career Night

On Tuesday, February 23rd, just a day after Founder's Day, nearly 50 of us gathered on-line for an Eta Career Night. Our enthusiastic group of active brothers, new members, and alumni spent an hour and a half sharing our stories, tips, and general advice for starting a new career, internship, or graduate study. As you can see from these pictures, we made the most of our virtual setting and breakout rooms to enjoy an evening of fellowship and mentorship.

Special thanks to our listed speakers, volunteers, and everyone who supported this event!

Paul Myslinski '04	Stuart Schnabolk '09	Nick Steiner '10	Alex Ziets '11
Alex Keating '15	Adam Knuckey '18	Declan Nowak '19	Matt Hamati '20

We are making plans for more events like this and additional opportunities for alumni and undergraduates to connect for career coaching and mentorship. Please reach Bill Bear, Eta '84 at [sherman.bear@gmail.com](mailto:sherman.bear@gmail.com) with your ideas or to volunteer for our GLA Career Committee.

