The Center for Orientation, Transitions and Leadership, in partnership with SAIL, in excited to announce the inaugural winners of our monthly Student Leadership Recognition program.

Brian Conway is a member of the class of 2023, Finance & Management double major with a minor in Writing. He is a member of the honors program, and resides in Point Pleasant, New Jersey. Brian holds positions as the former Delta Sigma Pi Business Fraternity President, he is the Executive Treasurer of the Board of Programmers, and a Fall Orientation Leader. He is a member of the 2023 Dirigo Honors Society, a Leadership Fellows Graduate, and a student worker for the Education Department.

When asked about a highlight of his leadership, Brian stated, "My two years on BOP have allowed me to plan various events and meet awesome people, all of which I am incredibly grateful for. I have put on smaller-scale events such as Friartown Mini Golf, Mangia, and Lunar New Year, and this year I helped run our Spring Semester Kickoff and the Black and White Ball. Through all of my programming experience, I improved in my communication skills, time management, and financial budgeting."

Brian talked about his leadership development on campus, expressing, "Something I have learned through my leadership and involvement on campus is the power of "we, not me." I cannot accomplish anything on my own because I am constantly in relation to others, so it is crucial that I am always listening to my peers and thinking about what our purpose is in whichever team I am a part of. This also involves creating environments with diverse people, ideas, and backgrounds where ideas can be shared without judgement and open dialogue can flourish". Brian looks up to other leaders as well, stating, "Two student leaders that stick out to me are Catalina Betancur-Velez and Santi Najarro-Cano. They both happen to be on the executive board of OLAS, but they are involved in countless other programs and organizations on and off campus. These two leaders inspire me because they are so involved and yet they put their absolute all into everything they do."

"With only a few weeks left, I can only say that I hope to leave a footprint on PC's campus that will be remembered. I always felt so welcomed by upperclassmen leaders since I got here, and I hope that I can do the same for the students below me. Every organization and program I have been a part of here has given me so much to be grateful for, and I am so glad that I got involved during my time here".

Admissions Ambassadors supports the Office of Admission by registering prospective students for tours, providing them with student perspectives during information sessions, giving them a first person look of campus through our Day in Friartown program, as well as answering any questions students and their families may have during admission related events.

The club stated their favorite event recently was Admitted Students Day, "Where we welcomed a number of families to campus on a beautiful spring day and helped admitted students choose where they will enroll. It was exciting to see the prospective students enjoy a beautiful day on campus and hear about how many of them had decided to commit to Providence throughout the day. As a team that started at seven this year and recently grew to thirteen, we have worked hard to provide prospective students with a welcoming feeling on campus!"

Jaclyn Coppinger, coordinator of the Denim Day on April 26th event, created a display where PC members of the community were invited to wear denim and write a note of support to add to the denim patch work display for Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

When asked about a highlight of her event, Jaclyn stated, "The highlight of Denim Day was seeing so many faculty, staff and students wearing denim----it was a subtle yet beautiful display of solidarity. Through Denim Day, we practiced advocacy, an important part of leadership."