



Parents Leadership Council Newsletter

Fall 2025

As we begin a new academic year, we're excited for what's to come. We look forward to welcoming you back to campus for Fall Weekend, October 17–19. This year's celebration will be especially memorable as we combine Homecoming and Family Weekend with President Lugo's inauguration — an invigorating moment for the entire Trinity community.

In a spirited showcase of campus life, the fun-filled and festive weekend will feature performances, academic symposia, the formal installation ceremony, and a luncheon for members of the Trinity community and honored guests. There will be a series of special events for Parents Leadership Council Members including a Friday reception, Saturday's PLC breakfast, and of course, the tailgate before the big game.

While we plan for the months ahead, we're still reflecting on a summer filled with connection and Trinity pride. In July on Nantucket, Trustees Amanda Jacobson '94, Elissa Raether Kovas '93, P'25, Malcolm MacLean '92, and James Yu '87 welcomed over 100 families, alumni, and friends for a fun-filled celebration. On Martha's Vineyard, Trustees Josh Newsome '95, P'22 and Damian Wilmot '97, P'25, along with their spouses, Benagh Richardson Newsome '95, P'22 and Dr. Yndia Lorick-Wilmot '99, P'25, hosted another beautiful reception. President Dan Lugo joined both events, offering meaningful opportunities for engagement with Trinity leadership.

The Trinity spirit continued to grow during August events, including parent-hosted events in Duxbury, Massachusetts, and Manhattan Beach, California. At the Manhattan Country Club, California-based Bantams enjoyed a warm, welcoming evening thanks to hosts and PLC Members Greta Kessel and Michael Horowitz P'28. In Duxbury, our new PLC Chairs, Ben and Julie Fawcett P'28, '29, hosted a memorable reception at their home, featuring perfect weather, lively conversation, and a seafood spread that drew more than 60 guests. These gatherings were joyful reminders of the deep bonds uniting Trinity families across generations — including the Class of 2029.

As PLC Members, you play a vital role in shaping Trinity's future through your philanthropy, outreach, and involvement. Your commitment strengthens our network and enriches the student experience in ways that extend far beyond campus—ensuring that Trinity's tradition of excellence continues to thrive.

Beth Brett, *Interim Director of Parent & Family Giving*

Matthew Slaughter, *Senior Associate Director of Parent & Family Giving*

Rose Ferrie, *Program Coordinator of Parent & Family Giving*

New PLC Chairs

Ben and Julie Fawcett P'28, '29

Ben and Julie Fawcett, of Duxbury, MA, are proud parents to Benjamin '28, Harrison '29, and Zachary, who is entering eighth grade. A tight-knit family who enjoys golf, traveling together, and cheering on their hometown Red Sox, the Fawcett's were drawn to Trinity for its historic charm, inclusive spirit, and strong sense of community—all within a few hours of their family home. College counselors at Milton Academy (attended by Ben, Benjamin, and Harrison) reinforced their decision to prioritize Trinity.

Ben and Julie are lifelong advocates for education and deeply value involvement in the institutions that shape their family. They are grateful for the impact Trinity has already made and they're confident that its urban setting and well-rounded liberal arts experience will continue to challenge and enrich their sons.

As new PLC Chairs, Ben and Julie are excited to help strengthen parent engagement and support Trinity's momentum. "We've always believed in supporting the communities that are important to us," says Ben. "We're incredibly thankful for the education our boys are receiving and want to do our part to support Trinity and its vibrant campus. It's a special place and an exciting time—especially with the arrival of President Dan Lugo. That spirit of connection is exactly what drew both Benjamin and Harrison here."



The Fawcett family at a Red Sox game—with Julie proudly repping Trinity in her favorite cap.

The Student Experience:

Now a sophomore at Trinity, Benjamin, quickly found his stride, enjoying time in and out of the classroom. From the start, he enjoyed his Quest orientation program and spending time hiking in the great outdoors. Later, an educational course that allowed him to work with elementary school children in Hartford—along with classes in Hip Hop Culture and an entrepreneurial engineering—became core memories. He frequently attends basketball, hockey, and football games, meets with fellow students to discuss coursework, and spends time in the Writing Center—finding Trinity’s academic resources especially helpful.

Benjamin is passionate about environmental sustainability and spends much of his free time fishing and boating. He cares deeply about marine life and fish populations and is drawn to conservation efforts. In the winter, he enjoys skiing and snowboarding with family and friends at Mount Snow in southern Vermont.

This summer, both Benjamin and Harrison worked for Stout Property Management in Plymouth, MA, where they developed carpentry, HVAC, plumbing, and electrical skills, while liaising between landlords and tenants to help manage relationships.

Benjamin’s positive experience inspired his younger brother, Harrison, to forge his own path as a Bantam. Having visited often and fallen in love with the community, Harrison applied Early Decision. Harrison has been selected as a Tyree Fellow, a prestigious entrepreneurship program for students eager to tackle global challenges with innovative solutions.

Cheers to a successful semester for both Benjamin and Harrison—and all your exceptional students!

Family Weekend



Save the Date: October 17-19, 2025

Please join us for our Fall PLC Program this October. On Friday, there will be a reception, followed by Saturday’s PLC breakfast, the inauguration of new College President Dan Lugo, and a tailgate before the big game. Stay tuned!