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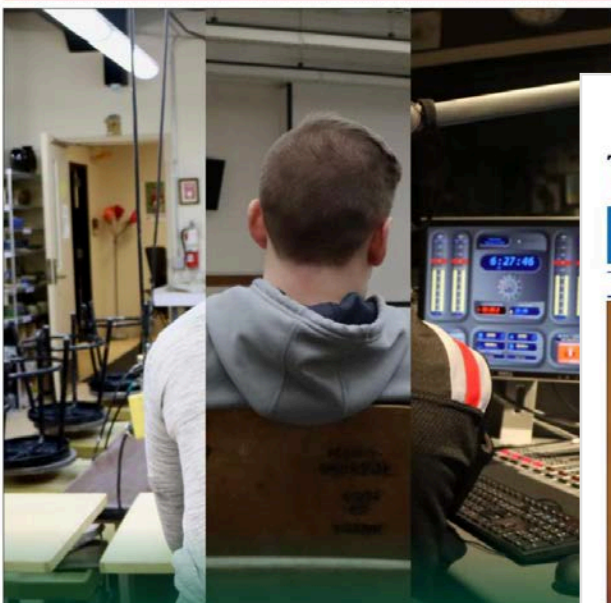
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2nd Place
The Daily Cardinal
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THE MARQUETTE TRIBUNE

Celebrating 100 years of journalistic integrity

Pedestrian safety
 With incoming guard inflexible, students feel concerned over intersections

Johnson replaces Morrow
 Following departure of redshirt senior, grad transfer sees more action

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Remembering Joe

College of Business dean's life celebrated in Gesu Church

Administration releases from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to allow students and faculty to attend the funeral.

The ceremony began at 10:30 a.m. with a Mass in which people close to the deceased shared their loved one's life.

Deaugh became dean of the College of Business Administration in January after serving as acting dean since May 2019. Prior to that, he was the chair of the Economics Department at Marquette for more than 29 years.

He was a cancer survivor, diagnosed in 2006 with stage four lymphoma before fighting the illness and winning cancer-free for 14 years. At his funeral, Lora said the crowd that Deaugh led for the illness drew him down, and he was cancer-free just five months after the diagnosis.

Deaugh's family asks that well-wishers donate to Marquette to help establish a scholarship in his name. Gifts can be sent to the address: University Administration, PO Box 1881, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1881 or at See JOB page 3

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State breaks more COVID records

By Sophia Voligt
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Wisconsin saw 34 new COVID-19 deaths on Tuesday, breaking the state's record for the largest number of deaths in a single day from its previous high of 27 on Sept. 30, according to the state's Department of Health Services, or DHS.

The state also reached a new record on Tuesday for the greatest number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in a single day with 3,279 reported cases, according to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, or DHS.

Tuesday's increase in cases surpassed the state's previous single-day record of 3,132 confirmed cases on Oct. 8.

"There isn't a family, worker, business or community that hasn't been affected by the pandemic," Gov. Tony Evers said in a press conference Tuesday.

The state will also open an overflow facility for COVID-19 patients starting Oct. 14 at the State Fair Park in West Allis, Evers said.

"The alternate care facility will start accepting patients ... to help alleviate some of the strain on our health care system," he said.

Secretary-designate Andrew Falus said in the press conference Tuesday that the facility is prepared to accept 50 patients its first day and can scale up from there.

"We hope we do not need this overflow [facility], but the reality of this virus, its transmissibility, its incubation time and its potential severity dictate that we get ready," Falus said.

Wausau County is experiencing an "uncontrolled spread" of COVID-19 and saw 145 newly confirmed cases as of 3 p.m. Tuesday.

The New York Times ranked the Oshkosh-Neshanic area as No. 2 in its Top 20 list of U.S. hot spots.

the time I was 12, I was a full-blown alcoholic'
 Chris Kessler's path to recovery

By Neal Hegden
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time with others in recovery.

Todd Vander Gulen, a PRISM team coordinator, said Chris has been an effective and successful recovery coach.

"He's had a number of tele-support relationships where it has gone on for weeks or months, to the point where a person has been able to get in and develop their own support system," Vander Gulen said.

Chris's own journey from a busy, drug-filled childhood in California to a life working as a server in a bar in Oshkosh is one filled with pain, addiction, inspiration and hope.

The path to darkness
 Chris's upbringing was tumultuous, which forced him to mature long before he should have had to. He grew up in Yuicac, California, where cocaine was king in the early '70s.

As a child, Chris was essentially given the role of a doorman while his dad and his dad's girlfriend partied, making sure that unwanted people were kept out.

Chris's dad, Mickey, sold hard drugs, like cocaine, to some big-time people in Los Angeles, so it was essential that only certain people be let in.

Chris also played the role of protector to his little sister, who was three years younger, as he tried to shield her from the drug use and bad characters constantly in the house.

"I was 10 at the time and I was raising [my dad's] girlfriend Nancy's two daughters, Tracy and Jessica, and then my younger sister," Chris said solemnly. "I made sure that my little sister, Tracy, and Jessica got food and always got to eat, and that they did their homework and got to school."

Chris lived with both of his parents until he was 15 years old, when they got divorced. After the divorce, Chris and his sister went to live with his mother in a small apartment in Ventura.

However, Chris's mother's boyfriend at the time was abusive and one day, while he was choking Chris's mother, Chris decided he had enough and grabbed the man's leg with a propane torch.

Chris was forced to move back in with his father because of the violent act. But the flow of drugs at his father's house never stopped, and young Chris, once again, took on the role of caregiver.

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3rd Place
The Advance-Titan
 UW-Oshkosh

On the Cover

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“Wisconsin men’s basketball”
by Justin Mielke, *The Badger Herald*

Winner of the First Place Sports
Photography Award

“Deserted” by Carter
Uslabar, *Advance-Titan*

Winner of the Second Place News
Photography Award

“Protesters march, speak out
against new \$150 million jail
at County Board meeting” by
Ahmad Hamid *The Badger Herald*

Winner of the First Place Feature
Photography Award in Division A

“Becoming Becky” by Quinn
Clark, *Arches*

Winner of the First Place Feature
Photography Award in Division B

JOURNALISTS OF THE YEAR



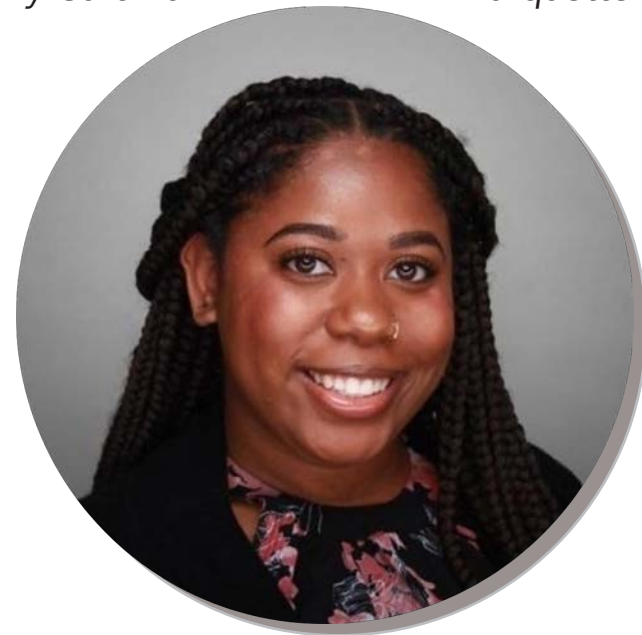
3rd Place

Nathan Denzin
The Daily Cardinal



2nd Place

Benjamin Wells
Marquette Tribune



1st Place

Patricia McKnight
MediaMilwaukee

General Excellence

Group A

First Place: *Marquette Tribune* - Staff

Judge's Comments: A highly professional news outfit with great editorials and a newsy issue each week.

Second Place: *The Daily Cardinal* - Staff

Third Place: *Advance-Titan* - Staff

Honorable Mention: *The Clarion* - Staff

Collegiate Journalist of the Year

Group A

First Place: *MediaMilwaukee* - Patricia McKnight

Judge's Comments: Phenomenal multimedia and written work that shone through the competition. Stunning photojournalism is at the heart of McKnight's portfolio, each image a story of its own.

Second Place: *Marquette Tribune* - Benjamin Wells

Judge's Comments: Great job of giving voice to students and issues that need it. Strong writing and coverage.

Third Place: *The Daily Cardinal* - Nathan Denzin

Judge's Comments: Strong writing and good coverage.

Honorable Mention: *Advance-Titan* - Joseph Schulz

Judge's Comments: Nice quality of work on a wide variety of subjects.

Breaking News Reporting

Group A

First Place: "Bullet enters The Commons window, no injuries reported," *Marquette Tribune* - Sydney Czyzon

Judge's Comments: This is exceptional reporting of an incident than can be difficult to report. Getting the information the paper did is top-rate and everyone involved in putting together this story should be congratulated. Outstanding!

Second Place: "'Strong majority' of Blugold football team opposed to university-ordered reinstatement of five suspended players," *The Spectator* - Madeline Fuerstenberg, Lea Kopke, Ta'Leah Van Sistine

Judge's Comments: This is a very well done piece that made me keep reading and reading. Tough topic that was handled well. Great job.

Third Place: "Oshkosh bars shut doors a second time," *Advance-Titan* - Andrew Haese

Judge's Comments: I had a difficult time selecting a third place because several entries were at the same level after the top two. But this gets the nod. Good story on a key community topic.

First Place: "College donates supplies to help hospitals," *The Clarion* - Mandy Scheuer

Judge's Comments: Clearly the best entry in this category. Nice job reporting on the issue. Hopefully, some followups were done to include more information. Kudos.

Second Place: "Child care center expanding into new building," *The Clarion* - Chris Bird

Judge's Comments: Good reporting job. Story flows well and provides information. Nice job.

Third Place: "Coronavirus leads to class suspensions and alternative classroom methods," *Student*

Voice - Melissa Thorud

Judge's Comments: Good job reporting on the pandemic. Read a little "canned" but provides information.

Honorable Mention: "Union solidarity march demands worker representation in Milwaukee," *Arches* - Quinn Clark

Public Affairs Reporting

Group A

First Place: "Dane County, UW divided over COVID-19 in Madison," *The Badger Herald* - Mia Lee

Judge's Comments: Reporter does a nice job of blending the sources in the article to cover all sides of this impactful piece. Inclusion of

statistics assisted the story well. Overall, great job.

Second Place: "Housing code violation inspection finds company with multiple issues," *Advance-Titan* - Sophia Voight

Judge's Comments: Reporter does a nice job of including research while obtaining information from great sources to support the story. Well done.

Third Place: "Residents urge county board to vote down health officer amendment," *Advance-Titan* - Sophia Voight

Judge's Comments: Solid job of including multiple quotes/perspectives. Both sides of the issue covered well for the reader.

Honorable Mention: "Tackling

BREAKING: Bullet enters The Commons window, no injuries reported

Sydney Czyzon, Executive Director | February 17, 2020



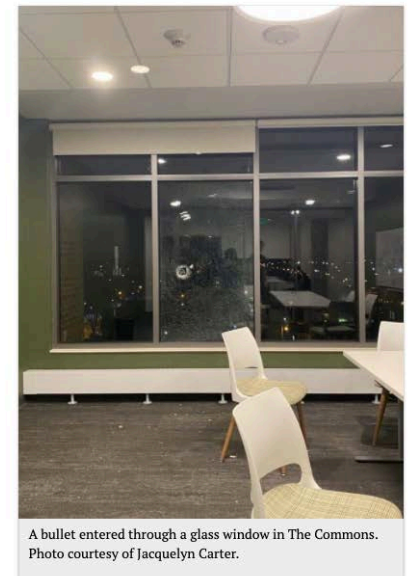
A bullet entered the eighth floor window of a study room in Wells St. Hall in The Commons residence hall Sunday shortly before midnight, according to a Marquette University Police Department [safety alert](#).

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A bullet entered through a glass window in The Commons. Photo courtesy of Jacquelyn Carter.

Breaking News Reporting, First Place (Division A)
Marquette Tribune, Sydney Czyzon

the moral restart: Faculty, TAs, campus staff rally against in-person classes, fight for worker protections," *The Badger Herald* - Mary Magnuson
 Judge's Comments: A lot of information packed into this piece that is beneficial to the readership base. Did a nice job of presenting the information to the reader.

Public Affairs Reporting

Group B

First Place: "A historic election: Mount Mary students explain who they voted for," *Arches* - Quinn Clark, Emily Cabaltera
 Judge's Comments: This entry ran away with the first place prize. Great use of quotes from multiple sources. Included background information. This was a fantastic piece.

Second Place: "Respecting pronouns part of gender awareness," *Student Voice* - Brooke Shepherd
 Judge's Comments: Article was presented well and provided a fantastic insight on what can be a challenging topic to cover.
Third Place: "Reaction to Floyd's death will shape class discussions, professors say," *Student Voice* - Brooke Shepherd
 Judge's Comments: Reporter took a simple approach to write this article and it works. Drives home the point of the message being conveyed.

Honorable Mention: "Completing the Census is important for many reasons," *The Clarion* - Paige Zzulka

Judge's Comments: There were some editorial issues that hurt this article. Overall though, this was a good article. Provided an important focus on the Census for readers.

In-Depth Story

Group A

First Place: "Albert Colom investigation," *The Spectator* - Madeline Fuerstenberg, Clara Neupert, Bridget Kelley
 Judge's Comments: This series had the "what's next" factor. Great digging for all the information and coverage of this difficult employee challenge.

Second Place: "The Lonely Year," *MediaMilwaukee* - Jay Stahl, Staff
 Judge's Comments: This story will prove to be a historical archive for the time we've spent living through the pandemic. Great stories for a hard subject.

Third Place: "Your Mother Just

Saved Your Life': Part of the FIXED Series," *Advance-Titan* - Natalie Dillon, Neal Hogden, Kaitlyn Scoville, Joseph Schulz
 Judge's Comments: Visually, this was a good layout. The story tackled a hard subject and touched hearts.

Honorable Mention: "(Press)ed for Freedom: As U.S. erupts with protests, debate on press rights ignites as journalists face police violence," *The Badger Herald* - Nuha Dolby

Judge's Comments: It was a challenging year for the press in large and small towns. This coverage seemed balanced and covered the gambit of the issues.

In-Depth Story

Group B

First Place: "Edgewood eliminates seven faculty positions; Three tenured, four tenure-track," *On The Edge* - Anna Hansen

Judge's Comments: Use of anonymous sources can be tricky, but this reporter made it work flawlessly. Story weaved together perfectly with quotes and research. Job well done.

Second Place: "The CREO fashion show cancellation: Why, and what's next?," *Arches* - Brenda Nelson-Davis


Judge's Comments: Reporter could have made this a short story. Instead, they captured the significance of the moment and how it affects those involved. Great job!

Third Place: "Academic Rank Committee echoes AAUP's recommendations," *On The Edge* - Anna Hansen

Judge's Comments: Good use of

A HISTORIC ELECTION: MOUNT MARY STUDENTS EXPLAIN WHO THEY VOTED FOR

Posted by Quinn Clark | Nov 9, 2020 | Campus, Featured Posts | 0



By Emily Cabaltera and Quinn Clark

It's no secret that the 2020 presidential election has been polarizing. The days after election night on Nov. 3 left Americans at the edge of their seats, waiting to see who would prevail in the close race. Vice President Joe Biden is the projected president-elect; however, the Trump administration has not yet accepted the loss, which has made the election even more controversial.

Many Mount Mary University students have voted in the election, and, in order to bridge the divide, it can be important to ask the questions: who did you vote for and why?

"IF WE SAY VOTING IS A POWER THAT WE HAVE, IT IS ONLY A POWER IF IT IS RECOGNIZED BY THOSE IN POWER."

Common Ground had a strong presence on the Mount Mary campus leading up to the 2020 presidential election. Group members encouraged students, staff and community members to make a commitment to vote and provided information about registration and voting.

Public Affairs Reporting, First Place (Division B)
Arches, Quinn Clark & Emily Cabaltera

sourced material. This reporter made sure all aspects of this story were covered.

Feature Story

Group A

First Place: "A Cause for Paws: Students turn to four-legged friends during times of stress," *The Badger Herald* - Gretchen Gerlach
 Judge's Comments: This is an interesting feature about emotional support animals on campus. Has numerous sources, good quotes. It may be a bit long for today's scrolling readers, but has lots of good information. One aspect not covered is some students get a pet, then turn them loose when summer comes.

Second Place: "Family, Faith, Friends," *Marquette Tribune* - Benjamin Wells
 Judge's Comments: Do college friendships last? Benjamin Wells of the *Marquette Tribune* tells of some friendships that have lasted 30 years. Well-written and good sourcing.

Third Place: "One Tomato at a Time: Local efforts work to reconnect Black growers with the land," *The Badger Herald* - Molly DeVore
 Judge's Comments: Molly DeVore of *The Badger Herald* produced a good tale about urban farming, and how Black students were being introduced to a way of life practiced by their ancestors--growing crops on small plots of land.

Honorable Mention: "This is the time for change: Milwaukee activist organizes impromptu march to Washington D.C. for racial equality," *The Daily Cardinal*

- Michael Parsky

Feature Story

Group B

First Place: "Christine Bellport on life after NBC15," *The Clarion* - Mackenzie Moore
 Judge's Comments: The lead is relatable for everyone. Not from your state, I immediately thought of news anchors in my past and the lead set a tone for a beloved icon. The article was light intertwined with the serious side of her job, nice balance.

Second Place: "Greenhouse offers multiple learning opportunities," *Student Voice* - Isabella Forliti
 Judge's Comments: This feature of a student achiever was well presented with the hook of being a homeschooler. Many over achievers work full time, get 4.0 but being a homeschooler and able to enter college, then university was a good story. Well-written and presented.

Third Place: "Former Madison College student named a Harry Truman Scholar," *The Clarion* - Kaleia Lawrence
 Judge's Comments: This story has many points. It rolls through the content in an informative, easy to understand and interesting format. Honestly, when I read the topic, I thought it would bore me. It did not-educational. But I don't think I want to see the corpse plant.

Honorable Mention: "The meaning of Black Lives Matter: Students share their insight," *Arches* - Shanita Rowsey
 Judge's Comments: I liked the layout of this story. It was quote heavy, but informational and

explained the white privilege issue clearly.

Arts and Entertainment Story

Group A

First Place: "Embroidery series

fosters message of inclusivity," *The Spectator* - Evelyn Nelson
Second Place: "Playwright Richard Kalinoski: A total beast," *Advance-Titan* - Carter Usalabar
Third Place: "Badgers with beats: Life as an underground student musician," *The Badger Herald* -

A Cause for Paws: Students turn to four-legged friends in times of stress

As students face mental health disorders, therapy animals, emotional support animals provide relief

by GRETCHEN GERLACH · Mar 10, 2020

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Students gathered in the Sellery residence hall lobby after a long day of classes, work, internships and studying. With midterm season in full swing, time to socialize and unwind is greatly needed. But it's not just the dorm-life camaraderie that brought these students together on a Tuesday evening — it's the five fluffy, slobbery dogs eagerly awaiting head pats and belly rubs.

The dogs and their owners are part of *Dogs on Call*, a Wisconsin-based nonprofit dedicated to "improving human health through service and therapy animals." This dorm visit to Sellery is one of over 60 visits DOC makes to the University of Wisconsin campus during the school year in hopes of providing students with stress relief and a break from studying, according to DOC UW Events Coordinator Todd Trampe.

Feature Story, First Place
The Badger Herald, Gretchen Gerlach

Life without live music

Performers miss being on stage, just trying to wait out pandemic



Photo provided to the Clarion

Musician Dana Perry

Mackenzie Moore, Staff Writer

May 7, 2020



Since Wisconsin's bars and restaurants closed for in-house dining on March 17, it hasn't only been bartenders, servers, and cooks who have had to come to terms with increased financial instability. In addition, freelance musicians within the state have lost all of their booked shows until further notice. This has led many to search for new ways to make up for lost income. In contrast, while musicians with day jobs do not see same financial struggle, they're still using the unexpected time off to grow.

Dana Perry is a longtime staple in Madison's folk and rock music scenes. Like many others, she has been live streaming on her Facebook page every Saturday in exchange for tips through online transaction services. Facing the loss of a fully booked summer, she notes that streaming is no replacement for the energy of a live crowd. "It helps to visualize the faces of friends around me," she says, "but the end of the song usually feels a little awkward."

Arts and Entertainment Story, First Place
The Clarion, Mackenzie Moore

Veronica Kuffel

Honorable Mention: "Syllabus weeks brings mixed feelings, nostalgia," *Marquette Tribune* - Ariana Madson

Arts and Entertainment Story

Group B

First Place: "Life without live music," *The Clarion* - Mackenzie Moore

Second Place: "Becoming Becky: The youngest drag queen at Hamburger Mary's," *Arches* - Quinn Clark

Third Place: "Gay Straight Alliance hosts drag show," *Student Voice* - Brooke Shepherd

Honorable Mention: "UW-River Falls Stage and Screen Arts produces film instead of live show this semester," *Student Voice* - Brooke Shepherd

Sports Story

Group A

First Place: "Unequal Pay," *Marquette Tribune* - Bryan Geenen
Judge's Comments: The best of 20 excellent stories in this division It takes a story of numbers & figures and makes it very readable and engaging.

Second Place: "What if Netflix turned Badgers' 2014-2015 season into version of 'The Last Dance'," *The Badger Herald* - Emilee Kather
Judge's Comments: A fun story that looks back on a magical season with a clever angle. It might have been the best, had you talked to a couple of those 2014-15 players.

Third Place: "The origins of Wisconsin's most popular

traditions," *The Badger Herald* - Will Whitmore

Judge's Comments: Another fun story to read that looks at longstanding campus sports traditions.

Sports Story

Group B

First Place: "Postseason play not a possibility this year," *The Clarion* - Christina Gordon

Judge's Comments: Well-written story by Christina Gordon about how being placed on probation by the NCAA for past infractions impacts a present team. Story is well-organized.

Second Place: "It was heartbreaking: Blue Angels' softball season cut short," *Arches* - Emily Cabaltera

Judge's Comments: Emily Cabaltera wrote an interesting story about how COVID-19 had cut short a team's season, and told it through the words of a two-sport athlete.

Third Place: "2 sports, twice the fun," *The Clarion* - Anica Graney
Judge's Comments: Anica Graney wrote an interesting feature about a female student athlete who competed in two sports in one year. Good quotes, well-organized.

Honorable Mention: "UWRF men's baseball works to become official team," *Student Voice* - Reagan Hoverman
Judge's Comments: Reagan Hoverman had an interesting story about trying to restart a baseball team as a college sport after many years. What is the team's W-L record for the past two years?

Editorial Writing

Group A

First Place: "On elevating Black stories through ethical journalism," *The Badger Herald* - Staff

Judge's Comments: It makes me proud as a professional journalist to see a collegiate paper write this quality of editorial. Really strong writing. I'm sure this wasn't popular but needed to be written. Nice job!

Second Place: "Customs lines in O'Hare airport unacceptable," *The Spectator* - Lea Kopke

Judge's Comments: This was extremely interesting and well-written. Very nice job. Like the portion about what needs to be changed in the process.

Third Place: "What did you expect?," *The Daily Cardinal* - Editorial Board

Judge's Comments: I'm sure your administration was not happy with this but needed to be written. Good job!

Honorable Mention: "Speaking out about sexual assault,"

Advance-Titan - Sophia Voight
Judge's Comments: Really strong writing. Would have placed higher but extremely strong division. Nice job.

Editorial Writing

Group B

First Place: "My experience quarantining on campus," *Arches* - Olivia Giorgio

Judge's Comments: Very well-written. I like that the student made suggestions on how to improve quarantine.

Second Place: "Unidentified

agents are unaccountable," *The Clarion* - Chris Bird
Judge's Comments: Really well-written. I like the point of view and the accompanying art.

Third Place: "The virus that stole a piece of our lives: COVID-19 from a senior's perspective," *Arches* - Julia Wachuta

Judge's Comments: Interesting perspective and you can tell the writer is emotional.

Honorable Mention: "UWRF policies may be infringing on free speech of students," *Student Voice* - Staff

Column Writing

Group A

First Place: "Gerrymandering: Democracy's greatest adviser or adversary?," *Advance-Titan* - Ian McDonald, Sadie Baile

Judge's Comments: Extremely thorough and well-organized presentation. Great supporting material with info-graphics. Good explanation of history, process, current situation, and need for change. Presents problem and suggests a way forward and a solution. Good job.

Second Place: "Dear Chancellor Leavitt, I was wrong," *Advance-Titan* - Joseph Schulz

Judge's Comments: Well-written, backed up with statistics, and refreshingly honest evaluation, courageously willing to acknowledge, "I stand corrected."

Third Place: "There's music in the air," *Royal Purple* - Lizzy Rost

Judge's Comments: This was a good piece about a really unique subject. The melding, quite literally, of music and art, done in a public setting for the

edification of all who witnessed it. Fantastic. The narrative captured the process, the inspiration, the background in an understandable way. Good job.

Honorable Mention: "How Oshkosh mishandled the COVID-19 pandemic," *Advance-Titan* - Joseph Schulz
Judge's Comments: Very thorough

and thoughtful narrative. The chronological approach, naming names, and providing details is effective.

Column Writing

Group B

First Place: "Kamala Harris is making history," *The Clarion* -

The Badger Herald Editorial Board: On elevating Black stories through ethical journalism

by BADGER HERALD EDITORIAL BOARD - Jun 8, 2020

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The last time our audience heard from [The Badger Herald Editorial Board](#) was one week ago. Within those seven days, Madison — like much of the country — has [erupted](#) into protests sparked by the brutal death of George Floyd at the hands of police and fueled by the deaths of [Breonna Taylor](#), [James Scurlock](#), [Ahmaud Arbery](#) and far too many others.

The Editorial Board began this week by informing our audience that our lack of coverage at the outset of the protests was not because of apathy or indifference, but technological difficulties. As an organization, we understand that the choice to cover these protests and the way by which we cover them influences social discourse. Through accurate and nuanced reporting, we aim to elevate the ideas of the protestors — their grief, passion, anger and hope — in the marketplace of ideas to make Madison and the University of Wisconsin safe and equitable places for Black lives to prosper. Fortunately, our technical issues were quickly resolved, and our managing editors have attended and reported on every single protest since.

Editorial Writing, First Place (Division A)
The Badger Herald, Staff

Hannah Dotzler

Judge's Comments: Very heartfelt and passionate article. Got straight to the point and provided solid examples. Writing style,

in parts (such as the use of "I mean"), distracted from the otherwise good presentation.

Second Place: "Becoming a religious sister," *Arches* - Sister Yen Bui

Judge's Comments: Good descriptive writing. Perhaps a bit too long getting to the point.

Third Place: "Halftime hoopla," *The Clarion* - Ezra Peters

Judge's Comments: This column was well-written and generally focused on the expressed theme. However, the introduction was lengthy and it was halfway through the column before the author stated his position.

Honorable Mention: "Being a college student with autism during COVID-19," *Arches* - Olivia Giorgio
 Judge's Comments: This personal narrative was insightful and generally well-written. I helped me get to know the writer better. However, I felt it read more like a diary entry than a newspaper column.

work that is important within the college community.

Third Place: "Records reveal UWPD spent over \$6,000 on pepper spray, smoke grenades during George Floyd BLM protests," *The Badger Herald* - Mary Magnuson

Judge's Comments: It's rare to see police costs get broken down, so it was nice to see this here. Good job.

UPDATED: City government members raise concerns about MPD lobbying in police policies

'If advocating for change is disrespectful, then I don't even know what the system is,' committee member says

by ARUSHI GUPTA - Dec 22, 2020

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Madison Common Council members raised concerns about the Madison Police Department's alleged "intimidation" of the Public Safety Review Committee and subcommittee members during meetings.

The PSRC acts as an advisory body to the mayor and city council and reviews the capital budget priorities of MPD. The PSRC has several subcommittees, including a budget subcommittee that examines the MPD budget.

Matthew Mitnick, who serves as a committee member on the PSRC and chairs the PSRC's budget subcommittee, said he sometimes felt members of MPD would challenge certain aspects of committee discussions without viewing items holistically. While Mitnick said the challenges themselves are not "necessarily bad," he said the methods often came off as "combative."

"I think ultimately, the power lies in the committee members, and also the subcommittee and committee members, who are part of the larger committee ... but MPD is not a committee member, and they cannot act as de facto committee members," Mitnick said. "They're there to answer questions, provide clarification and state opinions if asked, but there have been times [when] I felt like they crossed the line, and when it's too far in a way that maybe, as a committee member, made me feel very intimidated to go against them."

Freedom of Information Award, First Place
The Badger Herald, Arushi Gupta

Freedom of Information Award Group A

First Place: "City government members raise concerns about MPD lobbying in police policies," *The Badger Herald* - Arushi Gupta
 Judge's Comments: A great example of letting the documents guide the reporting, but putting real voices behind the concerns. This reporting helped hold a reform process accountable ó great and important work.
Second Place: "Complaint alleges harrasment by UW Oshkosh English Professor and Follow-up Story," *Advance-Titan* - Kaitlyn Scoville, Heidi Docter
 Judge's Comments: A good job of getting the documents, but letting their claims be held up for scrutiny. This story is good

News Photography Group A

First Place: "Unrest in Wauwatosa," *MediaMilwaukee* - Everett Eaton
 Judge's Comments: On first viewing, the tear gas photo was all I saw. It was enough ... but the others add to the package. Best of several protest photo packages.
Second Place: "Deserted," *Advance-Titan* - Carter Uslabar
 Judge's Comments: A very poignant and moving image, perfectly composed. More technically difficult than a non-photographer would realize.
Third Place: "Window visit at nursing home," *Advance-Titan* - April Lee
 Judge's Comments: Very still and gentle amidst so many protest & upheaval entries. It really conveys the sadness of COVID.
Honorable Mention: "Eau Claire protesters demand reform within police department," *The Spectator* - Lea Kopke
 Judge's Comments: This is one of the best of several photo packages of protests. Good job.

Feature Photography

Group A

First Place: "Protesters march, speak out against new \$150 million jail at County Board meeting," *The Badger Herald* - Ahmad Hamid

Second Place: "Rising Waters," *MediaMilwaukee* - Patricia McKnight

Third Place: "Fire Ball 2020 at UW-Eau Claire," *The Spectator* - Taylor Wilkinson

Honorable Mention: "DNC Security Zone," *MATC Times* - Denise Soto

Feature Photography

Group B

First Place: "Preserving downtown murals," *The Clarion* - Eimy Gonzalez

Second Place: "Becoming Becky," *Arches* - Quinn Clark

Third Place: "Shaker's Cigar Bar: Shaken with haunted history," *Arches* - Allyson Gebauer

Honorable Mention: "Chef series welcomes Graham Elliot," *The Clarion* - Tessa Morhardt

Sports Photography

Group A

First Place: "Wisconsin men's basketball," *The Badger Herald* - Justin Mielke

Judge's Comments: Incredible reaction shot. So much emotion on his face and the fans cheering behind him. Well done.

Second Place: "Marquette men's basketball," *Marquette Tribune* - John Steppe

Judge's Comments: Nice action shot. You can really see the focus on the face of the player dribbling

the ball.

Third Place: "Wisconsin women's hockey," *The Badger Herald* - Ahmad Hamid

Judge's Comments: Great timing on this photo to get the puck going through the defender's legs. Well done.

Honorable Mention: "Living and playing with heart," *MATC Times* - Veronica Rosas

Judge's Comments: Excellent portraits.

Infographic

Group A

First Place: "Elections Research Center battleground state survey

challenges decisive victory for Biden, Trump," *The Badger Herald* - Katie Hardie

Judge's Comments: Art is nicely laid out and easy to understand. Seems these numbers are among a specific demographic. Would like more info on your polled demographic.

Second Place: "Projecting Badgers' 2020-21 starting five," *The Badger Herald* - Katie Hardie

Judge's Comments: Good combination of images and art. All the information that a fan would want is there and placed in an easy to understand format.

Third Place: "DNC Security Zone," *MATC Times* - Charlie Sanchez-

Hernandez

Judge's Comments: Easy to understand graphic including street and building names. It definitely adds to the story for those of us unfamiliar with the area and I'm sure new students as well.

Honorable Mention: "2020 Presidential Election: Shifts in Wisconsin by Number of Votes," *The Daily Cardinal* - Lily Houtman

Judge's Comments: Looks like a lot of work was put into these polk-dotted graphics. Fun shapes and colors representing a large amount of information.



Feature Photography, First Place (Division A)

The Badger Herald, Ahmad Hamid

Infographic

Group B

First Place: "Human Trafficking," *The Clarion* - Maia Lathrop
 Judge's Comments: Excellent use of color and variety of art. A lot of information, laid out in a visually appealing way.
Second Place: "Ordering and Picking Up Books," *The Clarion* - Maia Lathrop
 Judge's Comments: I could see

how students might get confused with all the info. Great job in organizing it in a step by step way that even a new student can successfully get their books.
Third Place: "A Peculiar Semester," *Arches* - Denisse Hernandez
 Judge's Comments: The Good & The Bad is a nice info graphic. Separation of pros and cons with catchy bright colored art.

Page Design

Group A

First Place: "Nonprofits survive the pandemic," *Arches* - Leslie Chavez
 Judge's Comments: The white text on orange background really pops. Nice work on the illustration as well.
Second Place: "Chancellor Professor," *Advance-Titan* - Carter Uslabar
 Judge's Comments: Nice use of photos and love the periodic table design on the C and P.
Third Place: "Becoming a religious sister," *Arches* - Denisse Hernandez
 Judge's Comments: Love the butterfly B!
Honorable Mention: "Creative Works," *Arches* - Rob Steger
 Judge's Comments: Nice use of the frames to add an extra visual element.

Use of Multimedia

Group B

First Place: "Volunteer Across Milwaukee," *Arches* - Emily Cabaltera, Quinn Clark
 Judge's Comments: So creative! Love the interactions.
Second Place: "Art as a medium of change," *The Clarion* - Anica Graney, Diya Basima, Hailey Griffin
 Judge's Comments: The large photo as you open the story adds a very nice visual element.
Third Place: "Hidden place: The abandoned areas of Mount Mary," *Arches* - Sophie Snedecker
 Judge's Comments: I love this story idea and the use of so many photos is crucial to pulling it off.
Honorable Mention: "Behind the seams," *Arches* - Leslie Chavez
 Judge's Comments: Nice work on this video.

Website

Group A

First Place: *MediaMilwaukee* - Staff
 Judge's Comments: Real nice design. Easy to navigate. I like the special project a lot.
Second Place: *Marquette Tribune* - Staff
 Judge's Comments: Nice website.
Third Place: *Arches* - Staff
 Judge's Comments: Good design. Easy to navigate.
Honorable Mention: *Advance-Titan* - Grant Hunter, Olivia Ozbaki

Advertisement

Group A

First Place: "Scary story and artwork contest," *The Clarion* - Steven Andriantsiratahina
 Judge's Comments: Incredible work on the main graphics. Well done!



Advertisement, First Place
The Clarion, Steven Andriantsiratahina

Use of Multimedia

Group A

First Place: "Judge Scott Woldt," *Advance-Titan* - Leo Costello
 Judge's Comments:
Second Place: "Shattering the Silence: Student organizations pave way for sexual violence prevention, survivor support on campus," *The Badger Herald* - Anna Walters
 Judge's Comments:
Third Place: "Audio recording shows limited knowledge from university leaders concerning investment," *Marquette Tribune* - Beck Salgado, Annie Mattea
 Judge's Comments:
Honorable Mention: "Winnebago County Drug Court," *Advance-Titan* - Leo Costello

Second Place: "Facts or Fakes," *Advance-Titan* - Tatum Spevacek
 Judge's Comments: Love the facts or fakes graphic, very fun!

Coronavirus Coverage

Group A

First Place: "Fox Valley hospitals nearing capacity as COVID continues to surge in Oshkosh," *Advance-Titan* - Joseph Schulz, Billy Piotrowski
 Judge's Comments: Really strong reporting. I know how hard these interviews were to get. Nice job in an extremely competitive division.
Second Place: "OASD works to

combat opportunity gaps created with at-home learning," *Advance-Titan* - Joseph Schulz, Greg Sense
 Judge's Comments: I really love the angles of the stories reported in this series. Nice job.

Third Place: "Wisconsin senior living facilities battle COVID-19," *Advance-Titan* - Joseph Schulz
 Judge's Comments: This entry just made my heart break. Really nice job and good art to accompany it.

Honorable Mention: "Students recovered from COVID-19 share experiences as year begins," *The Badger Herald* - Abby Steinberg
 Judge's Comments: Very nice job.

Ascension Mercy in Oshkosh coping with COVID-19

Billy Piotrowski, Reporter
 May 13, 2020



As hospitals around the country help fight COVID-19, the Ascension Mercy Campus in Oshkosh has had to adjust in order to continue to provide care for those in need.

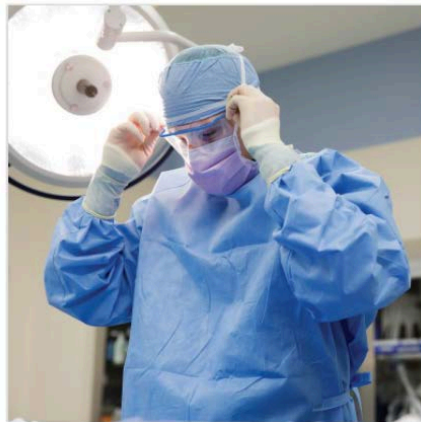
Jennifer Derks, vice president of hospital operations at the Ascension Mercy Campus in Oshkosh, Ascension: Calumet in Chilton and Ascension: St. Elizabeth in Appleton, said they now screen staff members before they even walk through the hospital's doors.

"All Ascension associates are screened for COVID-19 symptoms before they come to work," Derks said. "It's something that we do diligently as a part of our jobs; it's what we do to make sure that we can safely care for patients in our community."

Ascension also follows the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's protocol for universal masking, which means staff are asked to wear face coverings while on the clock at the hospital.

Derks also extends this request to incoming patients and visitors. Visiting hours are still under review, but Derks encourages family members and loved ones to schedule virtual visits with friends and family in the hospital.

"Some of our sites have provided devices to help people stay connected to their family members," Derks said. "It's really important during this time to stay connected, and if folks can't be on campus to be with their loved ones, then we're making sure that virtually they can be with their loved ones while they're here."



Courtesy of an Ascension Press Release — Ascension also follows the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's protocol for universal masking, meaning staff are asked to wear face coverings while on the clock at the hospital.

Coronavirus Coverage, First Place (Division A)
Advance-Titan, Joseph Schulz & Billy Piotrowski

Coronavirus Coverage

Group B

First Place: "Nonprofits survive the pandemic: Kathy's House and Red Cross adapt to COVID-19," *Arches* - Giselle Martin Gomez
 Judge's Comments: Strong reporting on a strong topic. Great job. Keep up the great work.
Second Place: "A peculiar semester: Students and staff reflect on classes during COVID-19," *Arches* - Giselle Martin

Gomez
 Judge's Comments: Great angle in reporting on the pandemic. This was well done. Some fine writing.
Third Place: "A critical lens on MMU safety regulations: Are COVID-19 guidelines being enforced?," *Arches* - Emily Blazer
 Judge's Comments: Covers a lot and does a good job doing so. Kudos.

NONPROFITS SURVIVE THE PANDEMIC: KATHY'S HOUSE AND RED CROSS ADAPT TO COVID-19

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COVID-19 forced many businesses to close, but nonprofit organizations are the lifeline of the people who rely on them. COVID does not stop the need for nonprofits, so they have no choice but to figure out how to remain open safely — but how?

Kathy's House

Patty Metropulos, chief executive officer and president of Kathy's House, said that the nonprofit never considered closing their doors. "There was not much of a consideration to the idea of remaining open," Metropulos said. "Our frontline staff didn't even flinch. Our commitment to guests never wavered." Kathy's House, currently located on 600 N. 103rd St, focuses on providing affordable lodging for individuals undergoing treatment for cancer or other life-threatening illnesses. These individuals come into the city for treatment, but finding a place for them and their family to reside temporarily can be costly.

Coronavirus Coverage, First Place (Division B)
Arches, Giselle Martin Gomez