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### **MUSG HOSTS RECOGNITION RECEPTION**

MILWAUKEE (April 23, 2009) The Marquette University Student Government's end of the year reception recognized successes and particularly influential individuals within the organization on Tuesday, April 21 in the Mashuda Ballrooms.

A few outstanding accomplishments noted at the reception included the allocation of \$58,000 to club sports, the Communications Department fulfilling over 100 publicity work requests to relay information to students and the hosting of over 80 events by the Program Board.

MUSG also took the time to recognize outstanding individuals within the organization. Since 1960, the MUSG Senate has selected a senator of the year for outstanding leadership and service. This year's senator of the year was Thaddeus McGuire. McGuire worked diligently on the SOA Committee, interacted directly with Marquette students and worked to pass various pieces legislation during his tenure as a senator.

"The senator of the year is everything that a senator is supposed to be," said former Legislative Vice President Jason Rae. "They are committed and give MUSG their all."

The Program Board also has the opportunity to award one specific commission with the programmer of the year award. This year the Co-Commissioners of the Diversity Commission, Adrian Garcia and Janice Blades, received the honor for reviving a previously overlooked commission and bringing events that reflect diverse values, interests and cultures to the Marquette community.

MUSG also awards three specific honors for spirit, leadership and service every year. This year MUSG's Executive Board honored Lauren Lakomek with the spirit award as a true embodiment of the MUSG. Lakomek worked to inform not only those within in the organization, but the entire student

body of the assets MUSG has to offer. She will continue on as the Communications Vice President next year and work to keep students apprised of what MUSG can do for them.

Megan Guilfoyle was presented with the leadership award for her dedication and representation of MUSG at events and throughout the community. She was recognized for her interest and involvement outside of her own department and her coordination with other organizations on campus to create truly comprehensive and valuable programs.

To conclude the night, Jesse Davis was awarded the service award for donating his time to MUSG as a receptionist and advocate for the organization. His work, though often unrecognized on any public level, keeps the organization running and the student body informed.

For more information on MUSG's news and events, go to <http://musg.mu.edu> or visit the MUSG office, AMU 133.

The mission of Marquette University Student Government is to identify, understand, actively address and represent students' needs, concerns, and interests through acts of leadership and service, which reflect Catholic, Jesuit ideals and contribute to the betterment of the Marquette University community.

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