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Bianey Calixto-Dominguez is a sophomore in the college of Business Administration majoring in Information Systems. She began her academic career here at Marquette studying Medical Laboratory Science, but she believes God had this perfect path designed for her all along. Over the summer (2022) she was offered a job at the IT Service Desk, and it was then that she discovered her passion for the tech world. She truly loves her job and goes in with excitement and enthusiasm for what she is able to bring to her workplace. In addition to her tech hobbies, Bianey enjoys composing music, making t-shirt designs, writing poetry, photography and creating random videos.

"Bianey Calixto-Dominguez is a Sophomore in Information Systems. Bianey is an EOP Student who is very dedicated to her education and passionate about her faith. She enjoys using her musical talents to serve others and praise God. She is involved with Gospel Choir having now."

Debbie Duff, Campus Ministry



Benedicta Beniana is a sophomore majoring in Business with a concentration in Human Resources. She is a first gen student, an active participant in the EOP-SSS program, and currently serves as president of the African Student Association (ASA). In addition, Benedicta works as a Program Assistant for the Center for Community Service, where she serves as a community resource for students and student groups. She promotes community service and civic engagements throughout the Marquette community, while recruiting and involving students in service in Milwaukee. She, also, is a current 414 Fellow at Next Door assisting In Early Childhood classrooms. Being a Program Assistant and a 414 Fellow has impacted her positively. For example, she has gotten the opportunity to serve in the Greater Milwaukee Area, connecting with many people from all walks of life, young and old, in the city. It is Benedicta's mission to stay connected with the Marquette community and the Greater Milwaukee Area community in hopes of promoting kinship.

"Benedicta has proven that leadership can simply be a result of persistence and motivation. What began as an effort to overcome some of the most daunting challenges for a first generation student, developed into a commitment to service, and building an organization that embodies her culture. Benedicta has found her own way of contributing to the needs of others that falls within her areas of comfort and has excelled at doing it in her way. She has a talent at building personal connections and relationships that ultimately lead to groups of dynamic individuals coming together. Benedicta's warm and welcoming personality has served as a crucial bridge for connecting organizers in service of others."

Lester Harris Jr, Engagement and Inclusion



Tess Brinkmann is a sophomore majoring in Exercise Physiology within the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program and minoring in Peace Studies. She currently is a site coordinator for Midnight Run, sacristan, member of Youth Empowered in Solidarity, intern for Feminist Power Hour at Turners Gym, and a Marquette Action Program facilitator.

"Tess has a heart for justice and serving others that clearly reflects Marquette's Ignatian mission. She is involved with Campus Ministry in many capacities: as a sacristan for various Masses, retreat leader, Camino member, MAP participant, and Midnight Run volunteer. While Tess gives of her time and leadership in many areas, the manner in which she leads and serves others is most notable: she is warm, welcoming, and makes even first-time participants feel a part of the Marquette Campus Ministry community and service initiatives. Tess's kindness and bright light is a beacon of hope and joy for the Marquette community."

Megan Heeder, Campus Ministry



Amyah Brooks is a Sophomore majoring in Political Science and Social Welfare/Justice with minors in Spanish and Criminology. She currently serves as President Pro-Tempore and as senator for The College of Arts and Science in Student Government. She is on the advisory board for Marquette University Police Department. She is an active member with her faith on campus by being a part of Campus Ministry as a retreat director and a part of Campus Crusades. She volunteers weekly at The Cathedral Center by taking care of children. She holds three campus jobs as a Social Engagement intern with Late Night Marquette, a server at the Annex, and a receptionist at Carpenter tower. She is a RISE mentor for first year students.

"Amyah is an intentional and insightful leader who has a heart for others. From the moment I met Amyah I see her time and time again create a welcoming environment for someone. She is intentional about ensuring everyone is seen and heard. She challenges and inspires others to get out of their comfort zone to meet new people. "

Tamra Keith, Engagement and Inclusion



Darrell Campbell is a sophomore double majoring in Criminology and Law Studies & Social Justice and Welfare. Darrell currently serves in numerous roles across campus for different organizations. He currently serves as the Vice-President for the Marquette University's Urban Scholars Program, Vice-President for Epsilon Tau Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., and he is a founding committee chairperson and facilitator for Marquette's University Black-Brown Get Downs Initiative. Outside of his involvement in these organizations, Darrell serves as the FIRST Student Director of Inclusive Initiatives for the New Students and Family Programs Office as well as A Future Leaders Fellow for the American Federation for Children to access to education.

"He is an active member in his community often volunteering to help those in need. Many of his efforts provide others with an example of leadership and ambition. Darrell is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. and serves as the Vice President and Treasurer of his chapter. Darrell is also the Vice President of Urban Scholars and the Student Director of Inclusive Initiatives for NSFP."

Tamra Keith, Engagement and Inclusion



Will Eikenbary is a sophomore triple-majoring in Digital Media, Advertising, and Philosophy. Will currently serves as president of Art Club, secretary of Poetry Club, and secretary of Marquette Filmmakers Association. Their on-campus jobs include working as a Residential Assistant at Straz Tower; co-lead for the 2023-2024 Honors Peer Mentor Program; and Campus Manager for Student-made Marquette, a student-led arts and entrepreneurship collective. One of their favorite memories at Marquette was serving as Script Supervisor on *Diffraction*, a feature-length film shot on Marquette's campus.

"Will is the epitome of what it means to be a strong mentor and resource for residents. They have not only been a strong resource for their residents, but for residents throughout the building as well. In addition to serving as an RA, Will is also a strong support for students through their position as a Honors Program Peer Mentor. Will has had multiple students come to them as a resource they feel comfortable talking to and sharing concerns with; and Will has been able to be a strong support and advocate for resident with a variety of needs."

Katie Kane, Residence Life



Lauren Frank is currently a sophomore majoring in Biomedical Sciences and Theology with plans to attend dental school. She is currently serving as the secretary of the Pre-Health Peer Mentor Program, as well as is also a member of Alpha Omega Epsilon Sorority, Pre-Dental Organization, Pre-Health Organization, the swim team, and is a Desk Receptionist at Straz Tower. She was a SPARK and Orientation leader last year and is now serving as a Student Director in the Office of Student Development. When she is at home in Iowa City, Lauren likes to spend her free time volunteering at her church as well as has been a volunteer at the CommUnity Food Pantry for the past three years.

"Lauren is a bright light in our New Student and Family Programs office! She is a great leader and acts with positivity at all times. Lauren joined our team as a SPARK Leader last summer and she stood out from the start. No matter the situation, Lauren is ready to adjust and she is always willing to take on more work for the greater good. Lauren is now a Student Director and she is truly demonstrating her leadership potential through this role. She has been and will continue to be a great leader among her peers. Lauren is making a true impact on her peers and Marquette Community."

Katie Kane, Residence Life



Sophia Guiter is a freshman at Marquette studying Finance with a minor in Environmental Studies. Sophia is involved with different campus organizations and has maintained a 4.0 in her course work. She is involved in Cru campus ministry and attends a weekly bible study with her peers. Within the Office of Residence Life, Sophia works as Abbottsford's Hall Leadership Coordinator in which she leads a committee that plans community events for the first-year residence hall. Sophia also shows leadership abilities through her work as a campus tour guide by guiding potential students through their college search by sharing all that Marquette and Milwaukee has to offer.

"Sophia is an incredibly organized individual and when it comes to planning, she truly thinks of everything. She is always prepared and ready for any challenge that she may face. Sophia has applied to be a Resident Assistant for next year and has expressed that she wants to help first-year residents the same way her current RA has helped her. She has a true commitment to serving others and promotes the greater good of all individuals within a community."

Hannah Gonzalez Residence Life

Leila Hernandez-Salinas is a sophomore majoring in Political Science and Criminology and Law Studies. She is a Burke Scholar, and is currently conducting her service, interning at Legal Aid Society. On campus Leila is involved with LASO, HPGM, Campus Ministry and works as a Social Justice Peer Educator. She plans to continue to contribute to the Milwaukee community as she graduates Marquette and work with the immigrant community to amplify their voices.



"As a young advocate of justice, Leila has accepted a commitment to educating her and other communities around her on various topics related to social justice. Leila consistently shows courage and integrity as she steps into spaces of discomfort to emphasize the importance of inclusion and equity on Marquette's campus."

Lester Harris Jr, Engagement and Inclusion



Tyce is in his sophomore year as a first-generation college student majoring in Criminal Justice on a Pre-Law track. He is grateful to be a part of the student panel for the Black-Brown Get Down program. Also, he is a proud Urban Scholar devoted to serving others in his community. He gives all glory to Jesus Christ for his accomplishments.

"Tyce has a magnetic charisma that invites others to join any conversation. He loves to talk about and navigate tough issues that challenge others around him to think about various topics. He is a dedicated leader of his church and volunteers his time giving back to the Milwaukee community. He is also a part of the Black and Brown Get Down planning team dedicated to encouraging his peers to have meaningful conversations that shape the culture of campus."

Tamra Keith, Engagement and Inclusion

Avery Jennings is a sophomore majoring in Mechanical Engineering. He currently serves as the Student Director of Event Logistics for Marquette's Office of New Student Development where he works to plan and organize the large-scale events for Marquette's SPARK and Orientation programs. Previously at Marquette Avery has served as a SPARK Leader for incoming Engineering First Year students, guiding them through Fall Semester class selections and demonstrating what it means to be a Marquette student and acting as a welcoming face to campus. Avery also led his club Valorant eSport team, operating as Team Captain finding matches, scrimmages, and practices as well as crafting strategies to execute in game.



"As a sophomore student, Avery is already a strong leader. This was demonstrated this past summer as he served as a SPARK Leader for the first in person SPARK since 2019. Avery thrived working with the incoming students and you could tell he was confident in his actions. Avery is not afraid to vocalize his thoughts or ask questions because that is how he learns and grows. Avery is also involved in various organizations across campus where he is continuing to learn his true leadership style. Now serving as a Student Director for New Student and Family Programs, Avery is ready for even more growth as a leader, and I am excited to see what he can do."

Kate Cibich, Student Development



MacKenzi (Max) Johnson is a first generation, first-year student at Marquette majoring in Computer Science with a Spanish minor. She is involved in several campus organizations, is an incoming RISE mentor for the 2023-2024 school year, and serves as the Social Media Program Intern for Peer Engagement Programs.

"Max arrived at Marquette with ambition and initiative that drove her to seek engagement and resources as opposed to letting it come to her. She exemplifies what it means to have a growth mindset as a developing scholar and leader at this institution. Her passion to succeed is not simply for the sake of achievement but for her personal enrichment, development and understanding. Maxx has shown a desire to be committed to the community she feels most connected to and with her radiant charisma she shows the potential of an organizer who can bring that community together."

Lester Harris Jr, Engagement and Inclusion



Lexi Kotwica is an international student from Poland who moved to the U.S. by herself less than 2 years ago. She is a sophomore double majoring in Psychology and Criminology. Being an Apartment Manager at Campus Town East takes up most of her time outside of class, where she serves as a leader and supervisor to Desk Receptionists and residents. Thanks to previous experience at The Office of International Education, The Brew, and Summer Crew, Lexi can excel as a leader and role model to her CTE community. In her free time, she frequents meetings of the Marquette Polish Student Alliance sharing her cultural values with fellow students of Polish descent.

"Lexi has been a committed member of the Marquette community as the Campus Town East Apartment Manager, Summer Crew, and Barista at The Brew. As the Apartment Manager at Campus Town East, Lexi has jumped into the role to support DRs and CTE residents. She shows leadership as she adapts her leadership style to meet the needs of DRs, and creates trainings to ensure on-going education and trainings to improve the services and security at CTE."

Shannon Salter, Residence Life



Ryan Lardner is a sophomore studying Psychology and Sociology. They are also the president of GSA and the Outreach Vice President of MUSG. They are also a part of Dance Inc. and Alpha Chi Omega sorority. In addition to the student orgs they are a Social Justice Peer Educator. Most recently, they presented at the Justice In Action Conference as a part of their Peer Educator role. They also served as an Orientation Leader this past summer and they hope to serve as one again so that they can provide resources to first-year students.

"Ryan's involvement on campus are representative of their passions and they have shown that they will proudly be the person to speak up for these passions if no one else will. Ryan takes the responsibility of educating groups and communities on ally-ship and acknowledging privilege. They have found a way to balance all of their responsibility while also having them intersect effectively with these interests and goals to speak up for those who need it most."

Lester Harris Jr, Engagement and Inclusion

Emma Loeding is a sophomore majoring in Journalism and minoring in Creative Writing and Political Science. She currently serves as the head of the philanthropy committee for Alpha Omega Epsilon sorority.

"In Emma's role as the student manager of the Intramural/Club Sport Office, she supervises a staff of 8 students and oversees the day to day operations of the office. Her passion for sports/recreation is contagious to those that work with her on a day to day basis and the students she serves. She is the youngest student that has held this job title in my thirty years at Marquette. That speaks volumes to her unique skill set and outstanding leadership qualities."

Scott Anderreg, Recreational Sports



Katy May is a freshman double majoring in Middle Childhood Education and Mathematics. She is involved in the Marquette Liturgical Choir, Marquette Art Club, and Straz Tower Community Programming Council. She also serves as the Art Club Ambassador, assisting the E-Board in meeting planning, set-up, and tear-down. Through her education coursework, she has done service learning at Catholic East Elementary and Howard Fuller Collegiate Academy. Katy is also part of the Marquette Core-Honors Program and has recently been hired as a Resident Assistant in the Honors Living Learning Community for the 2023-2024 school year.

"In only her first year in the Music Ministry program, Katy has proven herself to be a leader within the community. She works to promote the musical, spiritual, human, and social development of her peers. Her leadership within a music ensemble, even as a first-year, is clear. She is able to identify areas of growth for the ensemble without singling out any individual mistakes. Katy contributes additional time to help prepare the monthly Taizé prayer services, and she regularly invites her peers in music ministry to participate in other activities offered by Campus Ministry and other offices in the university. Her pastoral presence seems to always invite those around her to grow and continue to seek excellence."

Andrew Mountin Campus Ministry



Conner Morrill is a sophomore majoring in Political Science and History. He currently works in the office of New Student and Family Programs where he serves as the Student Director of Staff Development. Prior to this role Conner acted as a SPARK and orientation leader over the summer. Conner is also a member of the Spikeball club on campus and participates in many different intramural sports.

"Conner is a wonderful student leader, even as a sophomore on campus. Conner jumped right in to being a leader serving on our New Student and Family Programs staff as a SPARK Leader. When you first interact with Conner you could tell he was dedicated and caring and hoped to succeed in the role. Conner grew immensely in his SPARK Leader role and joined the Student Director role in January. Conner is continuously looking for ways he can get involved and interact with students in the Marquette community. He goes above and beyond not only in the work that he does, but also in the way he helps his team succeed."

Kate Cibich, Student Development



Daequan Muirhead is a sophomore majoring in Digital Media with minors in Creative Writing and Advertising. Their involvement includes serving as a program intern in the LGBTQ+ Resource Center, a member of the MUSG Elections Committee, and a tutor-in-training for the Ott Writing Center. He is also a member of multiple student organizations and clubs like the Marquette Filmmakers Association, Written & Spoken, and NAACP.

"Quan is an inimitable staple in the LGBTQ+ Resource Center. He was hired fall of 2021 as a first-year student and has really grown in the position. Not only does he autonomously lead events (such as autumnal Tea in the RC, QPOC movie screening, and Dungeons and Dragon night), but he fills the space with an infectious spirit and air of maturity. Quan undeniably makes the RC a better place and proactively increases our impact at Marquette. He is a great example of an emerging leader; the sky's the limit for Quan."

Emma Wuetrich Engagement and Inclusion



Jazmin Muro is from Racine, WI. She is a sophomore majoring in Environmental Science with plans of continuing her education after Marquette to focus on the study of Water. She is the social media manager for the Latin Dance Club, "No Se," as well as for the National Society of Black Engineers. Jazmin is an All-In Milwaukee Scholar and is also a part of LASO and SHPE.

"I have had the pleasure of getting to know Jazmin, she is a wonderful leader in the making. Her drive and effort to establish and engage the culture is unmatched as she strives to add into the community even when she receives no she still strives to do more."

Alecia Conway, Engagement and Inclusion



Jackie Rosas is a sophomore majoring in Sociology on the pre-med track. She currently serves as a student leader for Black Brown Get Down. She is also a general body member for LASO (Latin American Student Organization), SHPE (Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers), and HPGM (Hispanic Professionals of Greater Milwaukee).

"Jackie's involvement with the Latinx community has impacted how she shows up to work and her participation within the Black Brown Get Down. Her love for her community and her discernment of what community should look like for students of color has proven her to be a strong leader by being able to voice her concerns of her peers while also challenging the narrative. Jackie has also expressed her emotional intelligence when it comes to communicating when she is unable to show up in spaces due to concerns."

Alecia Conway, Student Affairs



Nestor Ruelas is a DREAMer Majoring in Corporate Communications, Digital Media, with a minor in Political Sciences. He is a First-Generation Student and a Proud Graduation plus & All-in Milwaukee Scholarship recipient. He is a part of Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity Incorporated. He has been very successful with the Fraternity in his very little time. He along with his Brothers have been able to put on Fiesta de Noche for the 8th Annual time and create career panels for all students. He has been a Member of Rise as a Mentor for the past year and will continue to do it until he graduates.

"Nestor has always had a vibrant personality that can make anyone's nerves become calm. His presence and attitude is an infectious gust of positivity that has uplifted others around him and continues to bring comfort to the community he leads. He is willing to try, which makes him not just reliable but inspiring. Walking into situations of challenge is the sign of an individual who doesn't have to consider leadership because it comes to them organically."

Lester Harris Jr, Engagement and Inclusion

Jasmine Scott is a freshman majoring in Psychology. She is currently one of the co-presidents of Black Mindz. Black Mindz is a space on campus where people of color can come and discuss mental health while doing activities. Jasmine wanted this club to be a comfortable non-judgement environment so that students can have another community on campus specifically for bettering their mental health. Jasmine and her team have collaborated with the Center of Engagement and Inclusion, the Counseling Center, and Greek Life on Campus. Jasmine is also a part of the Urban Scholar program along with being a part of the Honors Program here at Marquette. She has been involved with many events that have given her insight on how to be a leader.



"Jasmine is a first-year student who has shown her dedication to the Black student population at Marquette. Her journey began in participating in RISE and during her first semester her along with another student reconstituted Black Mindz, a club dedicated to sharing resource and aid for black students. With no intention of being involved heavily her first year she saw a need for spaces for students of color to talk about mental health she took it upon herself to bring back Black Mindz, with their programming they have education their peers on the importance of mental health especially when being students of color."

Alecia Conway, Engagement and Inclusion

Connor Seidl is a sophomore majoring in Mechanical Engineering. He serves as a retreat leader in Campus Ministry and plays guitar at Tuesday Night Mass. Connor is also involved in intramural sports and plays volleyball and basketball. He looks forward to stepping into a larger leadership role as a retreat director next year.



"Connor has jumped into leadership in Campus Ministry, beginning last year when he joined the music ministry team for the well-known Tuesday night Mass as a first-year student. While continuing on that team, Connor also began leading retreats this year. He mentored first-year students on the Ignatian Leadership Retreat in August, and then continued in leadership for this past fall's Finding God in All Things Retreat. Connor has a deep faith and a strong understanding of how to warmly invite people to reflect on their beliefs without pushing. He listens well to those around him, soaks up the leadership skills he sees in others, and then offers his own gifts. He is fully emerging as a leader and will be a gifted contributor to Campus Ministry in years to come!"

Sara Knutson, Campus Ministry

Kepina Tababa is a sophomore majoring in Elementary Education and Sociology. She is from the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and is very proud to represent her tiny islands at Marquette University. She wishes to pursue a career in the United States education system to provide a better education for disadvantaged students. She currently holds a Shift Lead position at the Brew Cafes, where she had been working at since the first semester of her Freshmen year. This is the second year she is receiving an Emerging Leader Award, and is very grateful to the person who nominated me and believes in me more than I do in myself sometimes. Kepina would also like to thank Clara Dwyer and Lester Harris who taught her what being a leader is.



"She was hired as a Barista in the Brew before even starting her Freshman year, and hit the ground running- she continuously works as much as she can, and truly leads by example. She was quickly promoted to Shift Lead based on her leadership, work ethic and mentorship towards coworkers. She truly leads by example and sets the bar for others. Kepina is extremely responsible, resilient, diligent & intentional in everything she does. She has quickly become an asset to the Brew Family and I can not wait to see how far she goes."

Renee Georgiev, AMU

Alma-Aliyah Tolson is a sophomore majoring in Psychology. She is a proud representative of the Educational Opportunity Program, serving as, both, a member of Student Support Services, as well as a recent inductee into the Ronald McNair Scholars Program. Alma has taken impressive initiatives in her involvement with the respective programs by becoming a student office assistant, providing support to EOP, and representing the office in a positive manner. Not only is she an active participant within EOP, Alma also serves as a member of the Marquette student chapter of the NAACP and Marquette's Black Student Council. Alma has also been part of the Gospel Choir for the past year where she has worked behind the scenes to be a help however she can.



"Alma has taken impressive initiatives in her involvement with the respective programs by becoming a student office assistant, providing support to EOP, and representing the office in a positive manner. Not only is she an active participant and bright light within EOP, Alma also serves as a member of the Marquette student chapter of the NAACP and Marquette's Black Student Council. Alma has also been part of the Gospel Choir for the past year where she has worked behind the scenes to help and support the choir in every way that she can. As she continues to matriculate through her educational journey, she will continue to raise the bar for herself while simultaneously being a beacon of hope for others as an Emerging Leader!"

Debbie Duff, Campus Ministry



Naomi Voglewede is a sophomore majoring in mechanical engineering and minoring in Spanish. She is a member of Marquette's chapter of Youth Empowered in the Struggle (YES) and works as an engineering assistant for Marquette Facilities and Planning Management. She is also involved in Campus Ministry through her work in reactivating Coming Out To God, a spirituality group with an LGBTQ perspective, involvement in Spanish Liturgies, and through her role as a facilitator for the Border Awareness Experience, a trip that takes students to El Paso, Texas to learn about migration and the meaning of borders. She is also on the Opus College of Engineering's Dean's List.

"Naomi Voglewede has taken impressive initiative in all of her involvement in Campus Ministry programming, like participating actively in the Border Awareness Experience in which her initiative shined particularly in support and solidarity with her student companions and members of the communities we visited and actively engaging in Spanish language liturgies. Naomi is a great element to any team of which she is part, and she constantly embodies servant leadership."

Bernardo Ávila-Borunda, Campus Ministry

Gillian Weesner is majoring in Secondary Education and Math. She participates in field experience each semester, engaging with the Milwaukee community and the schools within it. She is part of the Honors Program at Marquette. She is currently serving as a Resident Assistant in the Straz Tower Honors LLC. She was a mid-semester hire as an RA, so she has had to effectively use her leadership skills in this role. Next year, she will be the Facilities Manager in Straz Tower, increasing her leadership within the Marquette Community. She was an Orientation Leader, working with the new first-year students to make them feel welcome at Marquette. She also worked with New Student and Family Programs during Family Weekend, serving as a volunteer.



"Gillian is a primary example of what it means to be a student leader who works for and with others. Gillian has not only excelled in her current roles serving students and the great Marquette community; but also continues to challenge herself by taking on new responsibilities. Next year, Gillian will be the Facilities Manager for Straz Tower, continuing to serve as a role model and guide to students as well as taking on a supervisory role."

Katie Kane, Residence Life

Brennan Wills is a first-year student majoring in Digital Media. In addition to his courses, Brennan serves as the Senator of the Communications College in Marquette Student Government, a member of the Communication College Student Advisory Board, and is an active member of Liturgical Ministry, Pep Band, Jazz Band, Wind Ensemble, Mock Trial, Filmmakers Association, Written & Spoken, Philosophy Club, Marquette Radio, and Model UN.



“Brennan is an excellent student leader in Campus Ministry, particularly in our liturgical ministries. Beginning with his participation in our Ignatian Leaders Retreat, Brennan has been active and engaged with our office. He is a regular minister at our weekly masses, including being willing to volunteer and assist when not officially assigned. His generous, gregarious, and welcoming personality make him a welcome sight at our various events.”

Fr Nathaniel Romano SJ, Campus Ministry

Tess Al Fadhel is a 3rd year student in the College of Arts and Sciences. She is majoring in Criminology and Law Studies with a double minor in Arabic and Sociology. Tesneem is currently interning at the Career Services Center, where she helps graduate and undergraduate students with any career-related questions that they may have. This includes resume and cover letter review, interview tips, and professional headshots. She is also a peer wellness educator at the Center for Student Health Promotion. As a wellness educator, she is in charge of organizing and participating in wellness-related events on campus. Lastly, she volunteers at the Milwaukee Justice Center to provide pro bono services to clients from the Milwaukee County.

“Tess is a Junior majoring in Criminology and Law Studies and minoring Sociology and Interdisciplinary Arabic Language & Culture Studies. She is also a member of the McNair Scholars Research Program. Beyond the classroom, Tess is deeply involved in the Marquette community. Her work as a Career Education Intern has allowed her to make meaningful connections with students and alumni through supporting their educational and career goals. As a Peer Wellness Educator, Tess has dove head first into creating programming and education initiatives, along with pursuing various forms of lasting change that impact Marquette students.”

Emily Foley, Wellness Programs

Mackenzie Allen is a senior studying civil engineering with a certificate in excellence in leadership. Mackenzie is currently a Fresh Coast intern at Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District. In this role Mackenzie has the opportunity to work in the community through outreach about sustainability and storm water management. During her time at Marquette Mackenzie has also worked as a co-op at Kapur and Associates. Here she worked in transportation engineering which is her passion in civil engineering. On campus Mackenzie has also served as the president of Institute for Transportation Engineering as well as a leader in campus ministry and tutoring, and has remained involved in MU volunteer corps, and Society for Women Engineers.



“Mackenzie has been a strong leader in Campus Ministry for years, with her biggest role coming this past fall as she directed the Finding God in All Things retreat. Mackenzie did a phenomenal job guiding her team as they created a schedule, reached out to interested students, experimented with different retreat and publicity ideas, and successfully executed a meaningful and fun retreat experience. Mackenzie was attentive to every detail of the retreat, carefully noting what worked well and offering thoughtful feedback for the future. Her team clearly looked up to her and have mentioned their hopes of emulating her style when they direct their own retreats. Mackenzie is a very strong Contemplative in Action and is very worthy of this award!”

Sara Knutson, Campus Ministry

Rhea Arora is a junior majoring in Exercise Physiology within the Direct-Admit Physical Therapy Program. Rhea has been a resident assistant in Humphrey Hall for two years, and takes pride in her ability to diffuse conflict, build relationships, and foster inclusivity on the floor. Rhea is also currently serving as treasurer on Marquette's Women's Club Ultimate Frisbee Team. Rhea values the leadership qualities obtained from both the RA role and treasurer position. Going into her desired field of healthcare, Rhea hopes to continue promoting the development of well-rounded members of the community to improve compassion, safety, and quality of care towards others.



“Rhea has been an invaluable member of the Humphrey Hall staff during her time as an resident assistant. During Rhea's time as an RA, she has had to manage several delicate situations with her residents. Throughout these situations, Rhea has shown much care for ensuring that her residents are provide with the support/resources that they require while also taking time to ensure that the problems that her residents are facing are resolved. Rhea has also served as an essential outspoken voice for herself and her fellow RAs throughout the year. This has occurred in several different ways, such as discussing more efficient ways to complete a task or stating how she feels a particular policy is unrealistic or unfair. Rhea is always willing to discuss these situations and is willing to work towards a solution that benefits all parties that are involved.”

Zachary Reindel, Residence Life

Abi Benjamin is a junior double majoring in Sociology and Gender and Sexualities Studies and minoring in Literature. They are currently employed as a PI for the LGBTQ+ Resource Center on campus and was recently published in *Conversations on Jesuit Higher Education*, a professional magazine, for an article supporting trans students. They are looking to secure an internship for the summer studying Indigenous cultures and the impact of climate change on Manoomin. Abi spends their free time reading books, doing yoga, and hanging out with their cat, Sage.



“Abi is unapologetically tenacious. They do more than command a space, generate ideas, and bust every deadline. Abi bears a self-imposed responsibility to uplift the LGBTQ+ Resource Center to be the best it can be. They don't wait to be assigned a task, Abi is quick to investigate and propose projects to perfect. This year Abi has initiated updates to the queer literature in our lending library, hosted National Coming Out Day, and created a gender-affirming makeup workshop. They pour an immeasurable amount of passion, compassion, and distinction into serving a population so deserving of increased equity and dignity.”

Emma Mentley Wuetrich, Engagement and Inclusion

Eddie Bergmann is a Junior majoring in Economics. He is currently an RA in Abbottsford hall and an e-board member for Camp Kesem's Marquette chapter. Eddie is also a peer mentor for On Your Marq, his role with this organization is spending time with a student at Marquette who is on the autism spectrum. Eddie plans on graduating in the fall of 2023 and then enrolling in dental school in the fall of 2024.

“Eddie is a Resident Assistant (RA) at Abbotsford Hall this year. There is no better way to describe Eddie than to say that he is the difference. Eddie is constantly uplifting and praising others. I have never had an encounter with Eddie in which he hasn't expressed some kind of compliment or appreciation for who I am as a person, and I have witnessed him time and again do the same for others.”

Hannah Gonzalez, Residence Life

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Drew Bolisay is a senior majoring in psychology and minoring in neuroscience. He currently serves as lab manager of the Inquiries in Affective Science Lab headed by Dr. Gordon. Along with this, he is a Peer Wellness Educator at the Center for Student Wellness and Health Promotion. Through both of these roles, he has excelled in his ability to organize, collaborate, create campus connections, and lead effective programming.



“Drew is a Junior majoring in Psychology and minoring in Neuroscience. Whether it be in the classroom or on Marquette's campus, Drew is a strong student, leader, and advocate for others. He dedicates his time working as an undergraduate research assistant, along with being a Peer Wellness Educator. Through both of these pistons, Drew has excelled in his ability to organize, collaborate, creating campus connections, along with leading strong and effective programming. His work ethic is contagious and it is evident that Drew is truly leaving his mark here on campus and within the Milwaukee community.”

Emily Foley, Wellness Programs

The Black Panther Party

TEN-POINT PROGRAM:

1. We want freedom. We want power to determine the destiny of our Black Community.
2. We want full employment for our people.
3. We want an end to the robbery by the capitalists of our Black and oppressed communities.
4. We want decent housing, fit for shelter of human beings.
5. We want education for our people that exposes the true nature of this decadent American society. We want education that teaches us our true history and our role in the present day society.
6. We want all Black men to be exempt from military service.
7. We want an immediate end to police brutality and murder of Black people.
8. We want freedom for all Black men held in federal, state, county, city prisons, and jails.
9. We want all Black people when brought to trial to be tried in a jury of their peer group or people from their Black communities, as defined by the Constitution of the United States.
10. We want land, bread, housing, education, clothing, justice and peace.



Kaiden Brinson is a Marquette alumni with degrees in Psychology and Social Welfare and Justice. Founder of The Community Student Organization, a group dedicated to building community both on and off campus through social justice organizing and advocacy for the marginalized, Kaiden continues to work in neighborhoods around Milwaukee after graduating early. Many of his efforts revolve around supporting and fighting for individuals impacted by the criminal punishment system, having worked with The Community and Project RETURN, but he tries to reach as many areas as possible, realizing their intersectionality. He also volunteers at NextDoor, an early childhood development center, and with Metcalfe Park Community Bridges for mutual aid efforts.

“There are very few people like Kaiden - accountable, thoughtful, intelligent and most importantly humble. Without a doubt, Kaiden has transformed how students understand the notion of justice and what it means to care for those whose dignity has been maligned. Working to form a campus organization; The Community, Kaiden has exemplified the pursuit of justice, insisting that people impacted by the justice system and incarceration deserve kindness care and humanity. Kaiden worked tirelessly on the project always finding ways to include students from different campus spaces. The community has grown with over 20 student participants across campus. In addition to this, Kaiden strives to learn more about his community, fulling immersing himself with community organizations such as Metcalfe Park Community bridges, serving on a weekly basis at their mutual aid shed. Kaiden wears Black AF1's, and if anything that should indicate that standing along justice requires bold steps and humble heart.”

Sessie Agbley, Center for Community Service



Maria Julianna Morales Cabello is a junior from Guam studying biomedical sciences with a minor in health communication on a pre-dental track. Last year, she served as the Student Director of Family Experience for New Student and Family Programs, where she was given the opportunity to interact with the incoming class and their families while simultaneously acquainting them with the Marquette Experience. She enjoys connecting with the Marquette student body and is looking forward to doing more for the community in her role this year as a Wellness Peer Educator, where she is able to promote health and wellness to her peers through various programs.

“Juls leapt into the Student Director role for New Student and Family Programs with such ease, and that truly demonstrates her ability to be a leader. Her leadership was clearly demonstrated as she worked with our families who attended SPARK and Orientation. Her friendly demeanor allowed other leaders to feel comfortable talking to her, and engaging with her. Juls went above and beyond in her role as she assisted her leaders and professional staff alike. She consistently strives to give her work the best she can while also being okay to stop and ask questions. These qualities of her leadership style are ones that she has only continued to grow in through her time with New Student and Family Programs and at Marquette.”

Kate Cibich, Student Development

Gabrielle Chun is a third-year Mechanical Engineering student in the Opus College of Engineering and is minoring in Business Administration, Graphic Design, and Writing-Intensive English. Chun is accepted to the Graduate School of Management at Marquette University to start her coursework towards a Master of Business Administration (MBA) as a part of the five-year STEM-MBA accelerated degree program. With her diverse interests, Chun is a Norman H. Ott Memorial Writing Center tutor, a Teaching Assistant for both Dynamics and Physics, a Sacristan for Campus Ministry, and on the executive boards of the Society of Women Engineers (SWE), Art Club, and the Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society.



“Gabby is a deserving recipient of the Contemplative in Action Leadership Award because of her strong leadership as a sacristan, retreat leader, and Campus Ministry volunteer. Gabby is generous with her time, and is a stable and consistent presence at Masses as a sacristan. In this role, with her years of experience, she helps new priests presiding at Mass learn the in's and out's of presiding in different spaces as well as welcoming and supporting students who are new to their liturgical minister role. Gabby also helped lead Salt and Light, a spring semester retreat, helping other students explore and dive deeper into the riches of the Catholic Tradition. Gabby, through her leadership in Campus Ministry, embodies what it means to be a contemplative who puts their faith into action.”

Megan Heeder Campus Ministry

Skyler Chun is a senior double-majoring in journalism and international affairs with a minor in digital media and a concentration in cross-cultural studies. She currently serves as the Executive Investigative Editor for the Marquette Wire and is a team leader for the Marquette Volunteer Corps. She is also a communications intern for the Jesuit Honor Society, Alpha Sigma Nu, and program intern for the O'Brien Fellowship in Public Service Journalism. Skyler previously served as a program assistant for the Center for Community Service, where she helped with event planning, social media and communication for community and school-wide service events and volunteered weekly.



“Skyler Chun is a with majors in Journalism and International Affairs. Skyler is very interested in volunteering and has participated in the Marquette Volunteer Corps for several semesters. Skyler currently serves as a team leader for the Next Door Read with Me (Friday shift) and drives with her team to the site every other Friday for the whole of the Spring semester. Skyler has indeed been contributing towards creating a more just society through her service within the Milwaukee community. One of the things I love most about Skyler is her cheerfulness while talking about her experiences at the site where she volunteers. Skyler stated that she has made a lot of great friends, built connections, and had great experiences participating in community service. In the 2021 school year, Skyler was a program assistant for the Center for Community Service, where she worked on communications, social media, and some event planning. She also currently leads the investigative reporting team.”

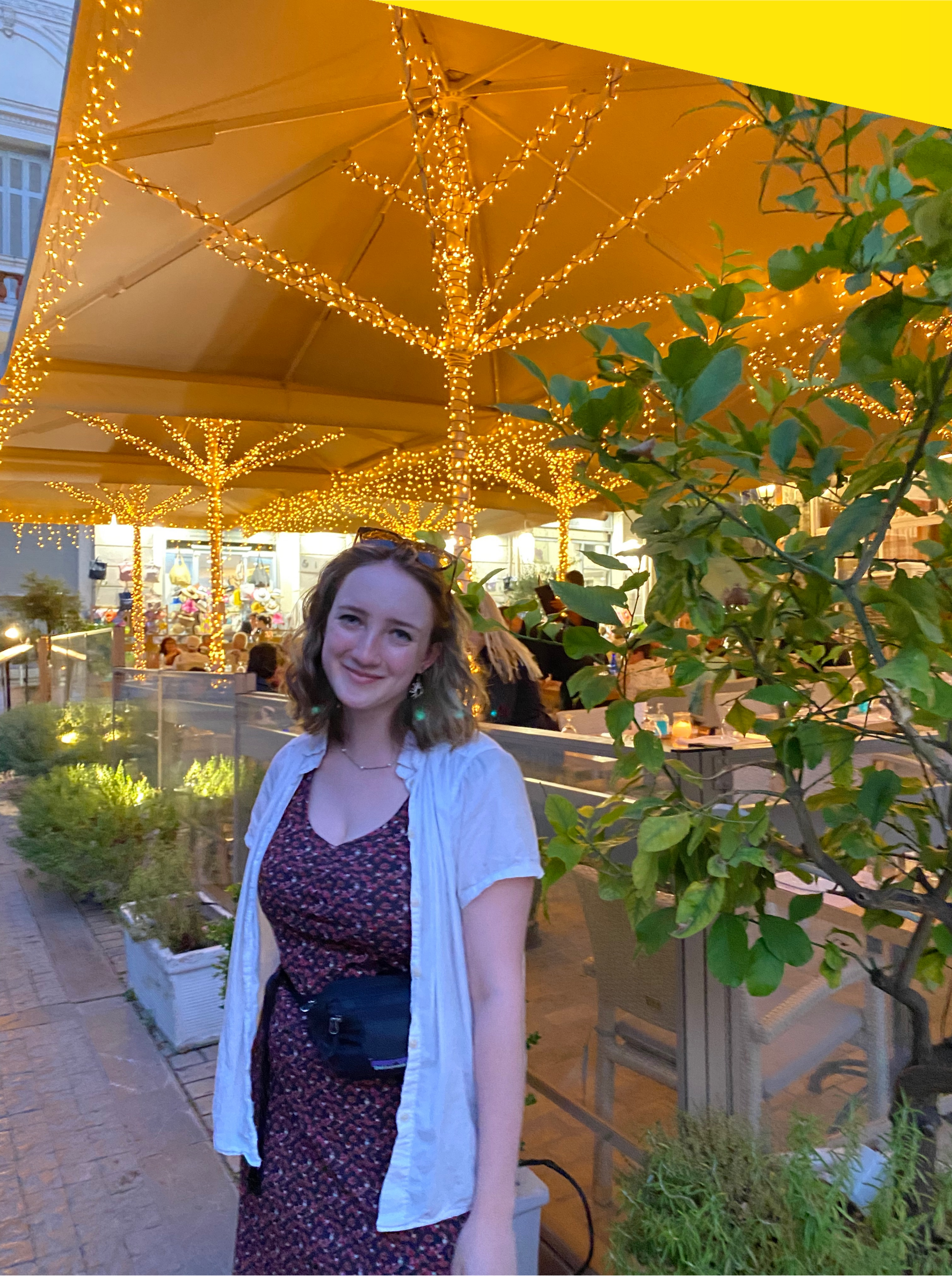
Mercy Egbuikwem, Community Service

Dylan Cole is a Junior majoring in Biomedical Sciences with an interest in pursuing dentistry. He is currently working as a Team Leader for Marquette Volunteer Corps, leading a group of Marquette students in service to the Milwaukee community. Dylan also serves as a Resident Assistant in Carpenter Tower, working with freshmen and sophomores to help navigate this part of their life. Dylan strives to leave a positive impact on Milwaukee and Marquette's community through leadership and service to others. A fun fact about Dylan is that Blue MUPD's community outreach dog is his favorite Marquette employee.



“Dylan Cole is a junior, majoring in Biomedical Sciences. He is very passionate about volunteering and has been part of the Marquette Volunteer Corps, where he involves himself in community service within the Milwaukee community. Dylan is an MVC Team Leader for Our Next Generation Non-profit Organization and leads and drives the team every Monday evening for the Spring 2023 semester. Dylan stated during his application for the team leader position that “Since I came to Milwaukee, working with students at Our Next Generation has been a blessing. Being able to help put a smile on the children’s faces and do what I can to help them with schoolwork is my goal”. Dylan is also a resident assistant at Carpenter Tower Dorm. Above all, Marquette Volunteer Corps is happy to have Dylan participate in service and lead his team again this semester, and we appreciate his contribution in helping create a more just society.”

Mercy Egbuikwem, Community Service



Grace Dawson is a senior majoring in Writing-Intensive English and Digital Media. She is currently a co-coordinator for Midnight Run. Additionally, she works as a communications assistant at Marquette's Center for Peacemaking and as a peer tutor at Marquette's Ott Memorial Writing Center.

“Grace serves as a Midnight Run Co-coordinator and site coordinator at Cathedral Center and Redeemer Noon Run. In consensus driven leadership with three “Co-cos”, Grace helps guide and build a team of 23 site coordinators and over 135 volunteers in weekly service across Milwaukee. Grace works with great care to build relationships with community agencies, facilitate student service addressing housing/food insecurities, and lead meaningful reflection among Midnight “Runners.” Seeking to address issues of injustice with others, Grace is a servant leader supporting others in a way they will be more likely to serve with others for the common good. “Making sure that the work we do is not surface level or performative, as well as continuously evaluating ourselves and our role in the community are other factors that I believe make Midnight Run a great organization.” Grace listens. She approaches challenges with a sense of humor, mindfulness, and dedication that sets an example to strive for.”

Mary Sue Callan-Farley, Campus Ministry

Julia Dedic is a senior in the College of Nursing. Throughout her college career, she has been involved with New Student & Family Programs, Alpha Sigma Nu, Sigma Theta Tau, and Stand-up Comedy Club among other activities. She enjoys spending her free time with her hamster and her friends. After graduation, Julia plans to stay in Milwaukee and work in a Medical ICU.



“Julia has been exemplary in her leadership with New Student & Family Programs. As a returning Student Director, Julia not only learned a new role but also provided insight, support and guidance to her fellow student directors. Julia is calm under pressure and knows how to rely on her leadership skills whenever needed. She demonstrated great initiative within her role, constantly looking for new ways to get her work done so that she can also help others. Julia is never afraid to ask questions because she is passionate about the outcome of her work. She has made tremendous contributions to New Student & Family Programs and is off to do great things as a nurse.”

Kate Cibich, Student Development

Cara Denten is a senior majoring in Elementary Education and Psychology. She is currently student teaching in a first-grade class. Cara has been involved with Campus Ministry since her freshman year. She has gone on several Campus Ministry retreats and has taken on the position of being a retreat leader and a retreat student co-director. Recently, she was a leader on the Marquette Experience retreat this Spring. Cara has also stayed involved with Campus Ministry by attending school Masses, participating in Ignite, serving the community through Midnight Run, and joining a Camino group.



“Cara is a warm, energetic, and gifted presence in the Campus Ministry community. She has led retreats for the past three years, including directing last year's Milwalking Retreat when we ran it back-to-back for the first time. Cara lifts up the gifts of her peers, generously gives of her time, and regularly volunteers to do whatever is needed. She has continued to lead this spring after a fall retreat was cancelled, while concurrently student teaching, and brings a joyful spirit to the events and Masses she attends that lifts up the whole atmosphere. Cara has been a role model for other leaders and younger students, and is highly deserving of the Contemplatives in Action award.”

Sara Knutson, Campus Ministry

Michaela Drake is a senior, majoring in Biological Sciences. She is currently a student leader of the Black and Brown Get Down planning team, leading group discussions directed to fostering solidarity among students across racial and ethnic boundaries. Michaela is also the former Vice President of the Urban Scholars Program where she helped restructure the program, after an additional 40 scholarships were granted in result of the 2020 protest of BSC. Michaela has also planned numerous events in efforts of building community, cultivating cultural awareness, and women empowerment.



“She is a talented leader who will leave her mark on the world. She has demonstrated the ability to lead and manage large group discussion in a meaningful way. Michaela is an entrepreneur inspiring others that also dream of owning a business. Michaela is a part of the Black and Brown Get Down planning team and has impeccable organization skills and takes initiative to help wherever she is needed. She creates content and hosts the event ensuring everyone leaves the space knowing someone they never spoke to before. Her presence is calm and comforting which eases the nerves of anyone who is reluctant to share their thoughts.”

Tamra Keith, Engagement and Inclusion



Sabrina Edwards is a senior majoring in Nursing with a minor in Culture, Health, and Illness. She is heavily involved in the Panhellenic community at Marquette. In January 2022, she joined the Kappa Delta sorority. In 2021, she served on Kappa Delta's council as the Panhellenic Delegate. In 2022, she served on the Panhellenic executive board as the Vice President of Membership Operations. Sabrina is dedicated to her nursing education. She currently has a nurse externship at Aurora St. Luke's Medical Center in the Coronary ICU. She is also a part of Disciplinary Honors in which she works with Dr. Ohlendorf on research. Outside of Marquette, Sabrina helps her family foster dogs.

“Sabrina has demonstrated leadership through her role as Vice President of Membership Operations for Panhellenic Council at Marquette. Sabrina has been a mentor to the sororities recruitment officers during formal recruitment. Sabrina managed every challenge with grace and professionalism. She was quick to problem solve when situations arose and communicated new directions to other chapters clearly and in a timely matter. Sabrina is a Nursing student and is currently doing her practicum/internship at St. Luke's. Sabrina also has been on the dean's list this past semester. Sabrina has effectively juggled school and work while also running a successful formal recruitment.”

Sarah Johannes, Sorority & Fraternity Life

Iris Evans is a junior from Kansas City, Missouri. She is majoring in Communication Studies and minoring in Health Communication and Health Studies. She currently serves as a Student Peer Educator for the Center for Student Wellness and Health Promotion. She is passionate about promoting and sharing information about both health and wellness on campus as well as working directly with fellow students. Her job gives her the opportunity to make a positive impact in students' lives, especially through presenting prevention training initiatives such as Red Watch Band and Bringing in the Bystander. Iris is passionate about being an example for others and modeling leadership in an ethical and respectful way.



“Iris is a Junior majoring in Communication Studies and minoring in Health Communications and Public Health & Equity. She currently serves as a Peer Wellness Educator for the Center for Student Wellness and Health Promotion. She has been a key player in the creation of comprehensive prevention and education programming that directly serves and impacts the students of Marquette. Iris is never afraid to share her ideas, collaborate with campus partners, or conquer a tough task. Iris' ability to be resourceful and creative is what makes her exemplify what it means to be a leader and companion for others.”

Emily Foley, Wellness Programs

“Olivia Ford is a driven person with a vision to positively impact others. Olivia cares deeply for her community and is constantly thinking of ways to include and unite her peers. She is a part of MUSG and always steps up to take on many challenges no matter how big or small.”

Tamra Keith, Engagement and Inclusion

Reese Gee is a junior majoring in political science and minoring in criminology. Reese serves as the Residence Life Leadership Board (RLLB) Chairperson, holding the position since May 2021. In her role, Reese facilitates leadership activities for student Hall Leadership Coordinators (HLCs) and promotes community building within the Residence Halls. Reese also serves as the treasurer for Marquette Best Buddies and maintains a 1:1 peer friendship with a developmentally disabled Milwaukee community member. Reese is a member of the Marquette Equestrian Team and competes in the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA). Reese is a pre-law scholars' program member and has been accepted to Marquette Law School for the Fall 2023 semester.



“Reese has worked with ORL to design RLLB which helps promote leadership, DEI learning, and community engagement. She has managed to serve as a mentor and leader within this team while encouraging others who are a part of RLLB to also step up at their individual halls to help build community among the hall's residents. This is all done while she furthers her own understanding of both leadership and social justice by engaging with her peers and her education.”

Cassondra Thornton and Hannah Gonzalez, Residence Life



Mia Gleason is a junior in the College of Education, majoring in elementary education and psychology. Mia is involved in the Core Honors program and currently serves as a co-president of the Honors Student Advisory Board. She is also a research assistant for the Marquette Autism Research Initiative. Outside of classes, Mia plays the flute in the Wind Ensemble and piccolo in the Pep Band. Additionally, Mia works as a program assistant in the Center for Community Service, specifically working with the 414 Fellows. She has worked on many service events and various projects, including the College of Education Mural, Marquette Community Day of Service, and Make a Difference Day. Mia is honored to be named a Contemplative in Action!

“Whether it's ringing out Ahoya on the flute or piccolo, or creating a Tik Tok about the latest music and dance trends... with a twist, Mia Gleason, has been a beaming light to her Fellow students and staff at the Center for Community Service. Mia served as a 414 Fellow, serving 300 hours over the course of an academic year working with young learners, ages 0-3 years on brain and literacy development activities. Along with 30 other students, Mia engaged in reflection topics on justice issues and its impacts on society, including ourselves. The core of being a contemplative in action requires an intentional cultivation of introspection, reflection and discernment. Witnessing Mia attitude and willingness to work towards justice and create spaces for students to thrive and feel seen has been very humbling and continues to teach us the alternatives to connecting with students and allowing them to feel seen and represented. Mia is dope! And we are dreading her graduation day next year.”

Sessie Agbley, Center for Community Service



Christian Golden is a junior at Marquette University studying corporate communication and entrepreneurship. On campus, he has held the position as president of the Urban Scholars program during the 2022-23 academic school year. He's also a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Incorporated, where he holds the position of the fraternity's exchequer, and is responsible for the fraternity's finances. Most recently, Christian was in the running to be the president of MUSG. Outside Christian's involvement on campus, he's currently interning for the Milwaukee Bucks Corporate Social Responsibility team; Where he's responsible for facilitating community relations events with the Bucks player & managing & distributing charitable tickets & donations.

“Christian has become a recognizable pillar of distinguished leadership at this institution. His work is recognizable through organized clubs, scholarship programs and informal mentorship. Christian has been a warm welcome to Marquette for many individuals on this campus and has contributed to Milwaukee just as much as he had given to the school. Christian unselfishly gives to his organizations and his city while still finding a ways to continue to elevate his potential. He has no ceiling and the only limitations he will have will be set by him alone. It is truly a treasure to witness Christian's wisdom and initiative as he can influence and convince those around him of their value and ability to impact. Knowing that he is one of the leaders on Marquette's campus is a promising sign for those who will follow him.”

Lester Harris Jr, Engagement and Inclusion

Nora Graham is a senior majoring in Peace Studies and minoring in Sociology and History. They have worked as a Programming Assistant in the Center for Community Service for the past three years assisting in a variety of different areas. This includes planning and coordinating Make a Difference Day, Hunger Clean Up, Marquette Volunteer Corps, and Justice in Action. Additionally, Nora has been involved with Midnight Run since freshman year, serving as a coordinator and later co-coordinator of the organization. In both of these positions, Nora worked with other student leaders to build community and empower others in their leadership and in their work for creating a more just world



“Nora Graham is a senior studying Peace Studies, History, and Sociology. They are very considerate, brilliant, and delightful to be around with. Nora’s impact can be seen across campus spaces. Along with their other positions on campus, they currently work as a program assistant in the Center for Community Service, specifically for Marquette Volunteer Corps (MVC). They have been a great resource for MVC and have contributed in incredible ways to seeing the progress of MVC. Nora have served as a Midnight Runner extraordinaire throughout their Marquette career. They never cease to inspire enthusiasm and commitment to address injustice and provide service that affirms basic human rights and dignity. This year, Nora served as one of the Co-chairs of the Programming Committee for the Justice in Action Conference. This is always a challenging role! Nora collaboratively designed a reflective and engaging program that supported conversations about justice campus-wide.”

Mercy Egbuikwem, Center for Community Service

“Makayla Harrow, on top of being an RA, stepped in to lead MUSG's funding process this year in the absence of executive officers. She has helped the funding committee understand the process and has navigated challenging conversations with her peers as part of the process. She approaches these conversations from a space of generosity. She has been instrumental in helping MUSG to function this year.”

Jen Reid, AMU

Max Hernandez is a senior majoring in Civil Engineering from Dallas, TX. He currently serves as social media coordinator for the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, runs the social media for the Black-Brown Get Down, is a member of Sigma Phi Delta Engineering Fraternity, an Encuentros mentor (a program that pairs MU students with Cristo Rey Jesuit Milwaukee students in a mentorship program), and is a proud Engineering Scholar. Max is (hopefully) graduating this May and has agreed to work full time for LAN, an engineering firm back in Dallas.



“Max is a Senior with and an Engineering major. He is deeply rooted in the Marquette community and serves others in many different capacities. Max is a true leader who cares deeply about leaving this community a bit better because of his efforts. He creates joy in every room he walks in and it spreads to everyone. It is a pleasure to know him.”

Tamra Keith Engagement and Inclusion

Maggie Huber is a junior majoring in biomedical sciences and minoring in neuroscience and Spanish for the health sciences. After graduating from Marquette she plans on going to PA school and working with children. Outside of school, she is a member of Alpha Phi sorority, plays on the women's club volleyball team, and is a student manager at Recreational Sports. She also enjoys traveling, exploring Milwaukee, and cooking. She is grateful for the opportunities that the Marquette community has given her and does her best to take advantage of those opportunities.



“Maggie excels in her new position of Student Manager at Recreational Sports. She is always willing to lend a helping hand and offer support to her peers. Maggie continues to appear on the Dean's List in her Biomedical Sciences major. Additionally she serves as the Social Chair on the Marquette Women's Club Volleyball Team. Maggie likes to serve others, and has traveled to Peru to volunteer to help natives that were disabled. In her current role as Student Manager she helps with training and supervising the next group of Building Supervisors. This role takes a lot of hard work and effort - when this is combined with her personality and outstanding customer service - she is an excellent student-leader and very deserving of a Contemplatives In Action Award.”

James Friel, Recreational Sports



Katie Jacobson is a junior majoring in psychology and minoring in gender & sexuality studies. She currently works as the social justice intern at Marquette's LGBTQ+ Resource center under the psychology and social justice internship. Recently she curated and executed a queer student art show in order to show off the talents of Marquette's student artists.

“Katie demonstrates the best of Contemplatives in Action. She shines in her role as a Social Justice Intern at the LGBTQ+ Resource Center. She gives more of herself in programming, such as developing a make-your-own-muppet workshop for Trans* Compassion Week. New to the team in September, Katie ambitiously proposed presenting a Queer Art Show. She logged countless hours empowering students from across campus, engaging in a professional collaboration with the Haggarty Museum staff, and crafted a unique opportunity for queer expression. The show garnered support from MKE’s Public Museum and Black Holocaust Museum and hosted nearly 100 attendees. Katie has served as a vital, delicate, and compassionate resource for students in unrest and has gone above and beyond in facilitating trainings for Safer Spaces, Soup with Substance, and the Justice in Action conference. She is the epitome of this award and has gone above and beyond in helping the RC provide dignity and belonging to students.”

Emma Wuetrich, Engagement and Inclusion



Liz Jonas is a current Comprehensive Honors student in the College of Nursing. During her time at Marquette, Jonas was the Alumni & Fundraising chair for Club Sailing, a Peer Mentor for On Your Marq, a member of Kappa Delta, a graduation information assistant at Raynor-Memorial Library, a mentee in the Marquette Mentors and Project-Beyond 2 programs, a SPARK Leader, Orientation Leader, and the Student Director of Marketing & Media for NSFP.

“Liz has been a true joy to have as a leader with New Student and Family Programs. She brought tremendous energy and dedication to the success of our team and our programs. Not only does Liz lead with maturity, she consistently strives to advance the work of our office. She could be counted on as the go with the flow leader, approaching any challenge or setback with the utmost positivity. Liz has an infectious personality and has been truly a wonderful addition to our team and a great leader on this campus.”

Kate Cibich, Student Development



Komal Khatri is a senior studying psychology in the College of Arts and Sciences. She is going to be attending Marquette's Doctor of Physical Therapy program in the fall. Komal is a member of the Indian Student Association on campus along with the pre-health mentoring program. She has served as a public relations for the ISA and was a choreographer for their shows in the past. Komal works as a building supervisor at the recreational facilities on campus, where she acts as a leader and promotes a welcoming work environment.

“Komal has been an outstanding student-leader at Marquette Recreational Sports. Her personality and drive in all that she does is exemplified in her work. Komal embraces challenges and welcomes new opportunities - always suggesting new and improved strategies for the good of our department. Komal is very deserving of this Contemplative In Action Award. Congrats Komal!”

James Friel, Recreational Sports

Anathea Kordosky is a senior in the College of Arts and Sciences majoring in Sociology and Peace Studies. Throughout her time at Marquette, she has served as a co-coordinator for Midnight Run and as a Programming co-chair of this year's Justice in Action Conference. Additionally, Anathea works at the Center for Peacemaking as a Programming Assistant, the Career Services Center as a Career Education Intern, and the MPS Success Center as a Nonviolent Educator.



"As shared by her co-nominator, Kelly Walker, Anatheia served as the 2022-2023 Programming Co-Chair for the Justice in Action Conference. Anatheia committed fully to this challenging role, leading a team of students and staff towards consensus around the conference topics as well as executing the many details. Through Anatheia's leadership, 145 members of the Marquette community came for an inspiring day of dialogue and learning. A Midnight Run veteran, Anatheia served as a fall Co-coordinator and site coordinator at The Gathering and St. Ben's meal program. In consensus driven leadership with three "Co-cos", Anatheia guided and built a team of 23 site coordinators and over 135 volunteers in weekly service across Milwaukee. Anatheia works tirelessly and joyfully to build relationships with community agencies, facilitate student service addressing housing and food insecurity, and lead meaningful reflection among Midnight "Runners" for social change. Her leadership empowers others."

Mary Sue Callan-Farley, Campus Ministry



Daniel Kroll is a senior majoring in Physiological Sciences and minoring in Spanish and is in his first year of Marquette's physical therapy program. He currently serves as the co-president of Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF), a campus ministry which serves to connect college students to the Orthodox Church by cultivating a campus community of worship, witness, service, fellowship and education. Daniel is also a part of two fantastic crews as an Eckstein RA and an Organic Chemistry Stockroom worker

“Daniel Kroll has served as the co-president for MU Orthodox Christian Fellowship since 2019. He actively contributes to the vitality of the community through his leadership in liturgy and community building activities. Daniel has put a lot of work into learning Byzantine chant, helping to preserve and transmit this ancient contemplative tradition. Without any vanity or spiritual pride, he does so with a genuine joy and love for the church. Very naturally and with no agenda, Daniel welcomes both Orthodox and non-Orthodox students from various backgrounds. Daniel is inspired by the saints who have lived a life of service. He makes a clear connection between liturgy and ethics. This is expressed through sustained commitment to serving with others including an orphanage in Mexico; unhoused people in Orange County, CA; a health clinic at Pittsburgh. Daniel’s joyfulness in pursuing these things is a model of a life that is well integrated on the basis simple Christian humility and wonder.”

Rebecca Luft, Campus Ministry

Rosie Kyriakopoulos is a junior pursuing a bachelor's in Education Studies and a master's in School Counseling. She enjoys spending time and doing her life's work in spaces that fuel a purpose, which to her, is any school community. On top of her love for all things school, Rosie is a NASPA-certified Peer Educator making her an authorized college student coach and mentor. In Marquette's community, this is her second year working at the Center for Student Wellness and Health Promotion as a Peer Wellness Educator. While she knows how to complete tasks, Rosie is a true relational leader at heart!



“Rosie is a Junior majoring in Educational Studies, and recently started the journey toward pursuing her master's degree in School Counseling. Outside of excelling in the classroom, Rosie works as a Peer Wellness Educator and a substitute teaching assistant. She is the truest definition of a leader that works for and with others. Whether it be her unwavering support for her friends, family, and classmates, or her incredible genuineness, Rosie continues to be a source of comfort and knowledge to others. Rosie also enjoys using her talents to engage in expressive writing, painting, and landscape photography.”

Emily Foley, Wellness Program



Sebastián La Rosa is a Junior Double Majoring in Biomedical Sciences and Theology in the honors program. He is from Washington State. In addition to loving his Spanish heritage, hiking, and spending time with his friends, he is an avid lover of the local soccer team, the Seattle Sounders. At Marquette, he is a part of two honors societies, and is involved in a neuroscience lab, is a student alumni ambassador, active participant in Campus ministry events including retreats and was the driving force to the Saturday morning mass at Marquette. Ultimately, Sebastian hopes to have a full filling college career marked with good relationships, experiences and service to mold him into someone who will be the difference in the world.

“Sebastián is a powerful witness of what it means to be a “contemplative in action.” He is a kind, reverent, joyful, and caring person, as well as a leader for fellow students. His is a welcome presence in our office and other activities; he is very involved with Sunday and daily liturgies, including playing instruments at our 10:00pm masses at the St. Joan of Arc Chapel. Moreover, he was a major impetus for starting our new Saturday morning mass in that chapel. Sebastián saw a need and understood the desire for such a mass; he asked us to get one started, helped with organizing it and helping spread the word. It has been a great success, in no small part due to Sebastián's leadership and influence. We are grateful for his work with us and across the Marquette community.”

Fr Nathaniel Romano SJ

Marc Logler is a junior double majoring in marketing & information systems and minoring in history. He is currently a resident assistant at Mashuda Hall and works as student worker at the Bursars Office. Marc has been a peer mentor for the college of business since the beginning of his sophomore year. He has also been a member of Marquette club tennis for the past 3 years.



“Marc Lagler has been on staff for only a couple months, but has managed to make a big impact among Marquette students and staff. Marc is outgoing, positive, and a strong advocate for community in the face of societal isolation. Marc's residents trust and respect him because he lives by the principles he teaches, and his floor is better for it. Marc sacrifices his own time to serve others and he always lends an ear to those in need. He is a student who exemplifies Marquette's values, and wherever he goes will be lucky to have him.”

Colin Roberts, Residence Life

Trudy Lane is a senior majoring in Political Science and she will be attending law school in the fall. She has worked as a Resident Assistant at Mashuda Hall for the past two years and currently serves as the Senior Resident Assistant. Trudy is active in the Greek community, as a member of Alpha Phi and a sweetheart for Sigma Phi Delta. She volunteers for Campus Ministry as a Eucharistic Minister and Lector. Additionally, Trudy volunteers at the House of Hope one of the Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinics. She previously held an executive board position for the Pre-Law Society. Trudy is incredibly grateful to be receiving this award and would like to thank her parents and the staff of Mashuda who show her endless support.

“Trudy Lane is a senior RA at Mashuda Hall and a valued leader among the student staff. She takes the initiative on advocating for both RA's and residents, serves others in her day to day life, and brings grace and humility to events and meetings. Her humor lifts spirits and her positive outlook inspires. Trudy is active in the community and essential to fostering inclusiveness and connection within the halls. Mashuda is lucky to have Trudy and sorry to see her go, but there are bigger and better things in her future and everyone here is supporting her.”

Colin Roberts, Residence Life

“Eunbie is a Junior majoring in Biomedical Sciences and minoring in Creative Writing. For the past three years, she has truly made her mark here at Marquette. Since her Freshman year, Eunbie has diligently served as a Wellness Peer Educator for the Center for Student Wellness and Health Promotion. Here, she has grown as a servant leader, found ways to effectively collaborate with campus partners, and created programming that reflects the needs of Marquette student. Additionally, through her work as a Resident Assistant, Eunbie has worked to help foster a sense of community for her residents. No space is complete without Eunbie!”

Emily Foley Medical Clinic/Wellness Programs

Megan Lombardo is a senior majoring in Exercise Physiology in the Direct Admit of Physical Therapy Program. She is currently in her first year of the professional phase of the Physical Therapy Program. She is involved in campus ministry retreats, volunteers for the backpack program, and participates in intramurals. She also currently works as a building supervisor at Rec Sports.



“Megan has shown great strength as a student-leader at Recreational Sports. For four semester she has continued to improve and show great discernment in her actions and growth. She always has a positive attitude and effectively communicates to her peers. Megan is currently a Building Supervisor Trainer - helping the next wave of students learn and grow within our department. Megan is very responsible and a respectful recipient of the Contemplative In Action Award.”

James Friel, Recreational Sports



Lisbeth Lopez is a first-generation sophomore double majoring in Speech Pathology & Audiology and Spanish for the Health Profession. She actively serves as the Co-communication director for the Speech Pathology Diversity Engagement and Inclusion Committee. She is the sophomore representative for Marquette's National Student Speech Language and Hearing Association chapter. Currently, she works as a 414 Fellow and as a research lab assistant in the Speech and Swallowing Lab. Lizbeth is part of the Educational Opportunity Program through the Student Support Services and the McNair Scholars Program. Lizbeth is a Milwaukee native and centers all her education and future aspirations on giving back to her community.

“Lizbeth Lopez serves as a 414 Fellow with children ages 0-3 at Next Door and is an outstanding member of the cohort. Since day one of the program, Lizbeth has brought her full self to the classroom and group reflections. She consistently prioritizes building genuine relationships with others, including the students, teachers, and families at Next Door. Lizbeth demonstrates a commitment to ongoing learning in every space and is always pushing herself to grow in new ways. She embodies Jesuit values in her dedication to service for and with others through critical and compassionate engagement with the Milwaukee community, and draws others into this work alongside her. Lizbeth has been a light to us all and a lesson in caring for one another during her time with the Center for Community Service. We are so lucky to know and learn from her!”

Kat Becker, Center for Community Service

Sophie Lynch is a junior studying Nursing and Theology. She enjoys working as a Building Supervisor through Recreational Sports. She loves being a part of Campus Ministry by serving as a retreat leader, sacristan, and RCIA leader. She also is involved through Marquette Radio as a radio host with friends. Sophie also has been involved in intramural sports including Volleyball and Tennis.



“Sophie Lynch, a junior majoring in nursing and theology, supports fellow students on their journey of faith as they discern membership in the Catholic Church and/or prepare to receive the Catholic sacraments of initiation. Sophie excels at fostering connections and building community, bringing encouragement to others through her natural curiosity and promoting engagement and dialogue through her warm small group leadership style. Many students encounter Sophie on Thursday nights at the St. Joan of Arc Chapel where Sophie serves as a sacristan and welcomes Marquette community members participating in the 10 p.m. Mass. Sophie’s leadership and hospitality has helped build up the worshiping community at Thursday night Mass. Sophie has also served as a retreat leader and is an active member of MU Logrolling.”

Steve Blaha, Campus Ministry



Colleen McCabe is a Senior Majoring in Education and English with a minor in Marketing. She is currently one of the Co-coordinators of Midnight Run. Where she leads the current leaders in volunteering around Milwaukee. Previously she was a leader in Midnight Run and participant every semester. She is also involved in the Mardi Gras club. She has been on four service trips and she has led two service trips to New Orleans. Colleen was an Orientation Leader for three years. She is also on the Senior Challenge Committee that helps raise money for her senior class. Colleen is also involved with her club swim team, Ignite, and helps serve at Sunday masses. She also works as a lifeguard, Volleyball referee, and an intern at the Wellness Center.

“Colleen joined Midnight Run Co-coordinators this spring after participating in Midnight Run COVID roundtables, serving as a volunteer, and then site coordinator. As a dedicated leader Colleen brings energy, good counsel, and encouragement to Midnight Run’s work. With three “Co-cos” Colleen works with care and concern to build relationships with community agencies, facilitate student service addressing housing and food insecurity, and lead meaningful reflection among Midnight “Runners.” Colleen brings her experience from Cardoner Scholars, Orientation Leaders, and her formation in Education to inform and enhance the work of Midnight Run, from logistics to cura personalis. Colleen brings a strong sense of accompaniment to her work with others, her smile reflects warm hospitality at every encounter.”

Mary Sue Callan-Farley, Campus Ministry

Charlie McClintock is a junior majoring in Psychology and minoring in Creative Writing. He is currently on his second year as a Peer Wellness Educator at the Center for Student Wellness and Health Promotion. He has also begun his first semester as a Peer Mentor at On Your Marq, a safe space and supportive environment for students on the autism spectrum. As a Peer Wellness Educator, Charlie has been involved in the planning and hosting of many wellness-based events that combine elements of advocacy and entertainment, including Denim Day and Late Night Skate Night. Charlie also trains freshmen on alcohol safety, with Red Watch Band, and sophomores on sexual violence prevention, with Bringing in the Bystander.



“Charlie is a Junior majoring in Psychology and minoring in Creative Writing. He is passionate about mental health and creating spaces of inclusivity for the students of Marquette. Whether it be creating comprehensive programming as a Peer Wellness Educator or serving as a Peer Mentor for On Your Marq, Charlie sets the example of what it means to be a servant leader. All of this can be attributed to his commitment and passion toward helping make Marquette feel like a home for others. Truly, Charlie lives a life of Cura Personalis.”

Emily Foley, Wellness Program



John McNulty is a junior majoring in Finance with a Concentration in Commercial Banking. He currently serves as the President of The Commercial Banking Club, The Liturgical Coordinator Assistant for Campus Ministry's Liturgical Ministry, and The Faith Chair of Marquette's Knights of Columbus Chapter. John has just accepted an internship offer for this summer at PNC Milwaukee and will specialize as a commercial credit analyst.

“I have nominated John McNulty for the Contemplative in Action Award for his dedicated service to the Marquette University Community’s faith community. John is unswerving in his desire and work to invite more and more people to engage in their faith here on campus, especially regarding the Holy Eucharist, the communal practice of the Rosary, and community building centered around our Sunday masses and our weekday masses in the St. Joan of Arc Chapel and the residence hall chapels. He is prayerful, attentive to details, and encourages quality liturgical minister participation in our campus liturgies. Congratulations John!”

Grant Garinger, S.J. Campus Ministry

Angel Mora is senior majoring in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. They are currently a building supervisor for Marquette's Recreational Sports and has been serving in this position for two and a half years. Angel has also volunteered as a trainer for new Supervisors for two years. They previously served as Vice President of Marquette's Gender and Sexuality Alliance and as the Vice President of Marquette's Medical Accessibility Student Organization.



“Angel is an outstanding recipient of this award. In Recreational Sports, Angel is a Building Supervisor in charge of leading her peers, communicating with members and students and problem-solving. All of these skills she has refined during her time in Recreational Sports. All this while balancing a Biochemistry and Molecular Biology major. Currently Angel is tasked with training our next group of student leaders which I know she will use her skills and knowledge she has developed to pass along to the next generation. Angel strives to help the community and the world in any way possible through her work - she has left an impact on Recreational Sports and is a deserving recipient of a Contemplatives In Action Award.”

James Friel, Recreational Sports

Francis Nuguid is a current junior majoring in Mechanical Engineering and minoring in Mathematics. He is a captain and president of Men's Ultimate Frisbee Club. Francis began working at the AMU Information Center his sophomore year and became a student manager of the Information Center last summer.



“Francis is a Student Manager at the University Information Center. He leads the team by example and shows true leadership by trusting the team and helping out when support is needed. He is a thoughtful leader that thinks about the well-being of others and seeks multiple perspectives to guide decision making. He is a dedicated mentor to the new staff and always makes himself available. Francis is very friendly and approachable, which allows him to form great relationships with his peers. He wants the best for others and will always find solutions, no matter how difficult the situation may be. He is determined to make a positive impact on others and the Marquette community.”

Zack Kohlwey, AMU



Rebecca Odeh is a junior majoring in Physiological Sciences, along with pursuing her master's in Business Administration. Following graduation in May, she will be continuing her educational journey at Marquette's Dental School. Rebecca truly embodies Cura Personalis all while wearing many hats. Whether it be creating and executing programming as a Peer Wellness Educator, participating in Global Dental Brigades, serving as a Resident Assistant, or working as an On Your Marq Mentor, Rebecca continually works for and with others.

“Rebecca is a junior majoring in Physiological Sciences, along with pursuing her master's in Business Administration. Following graduation in May, she will be continuing her educational journey at Marquette's Dental School. Rebecca truly embodies Cura Personal's all while wearing many hats. Whether it be creating and executing programming as a Peer Wellness Educator, participating in Global Dental Brigades, serving as a Resident Assistant, or working as an On Your Marq Mentor, Rebecca continually works for and with others.”

Jenny Fierro-Padilla, Medical Clinic/Wellness Program

Natasha Paleothodoros is a senior in the honors program majoring in Information Systems & Marketing. Natasha will be graduating in Spring 2023 and working full-time as a Data and Risk Technology Associate at PwC. Throughout her undergraduate career, she has been a member of Sigma Kappa, served on Panhellenic Council as VP of Membership Programming (2021-2022) and as President (2022-2023), and helped her professor reboot the Information Technology Student Organization (ITSO). Last year, she received the Emerging Leader Award through DSA. This year, she will be receiving the 2023 Service and Leadership Award in Information Systems through the College of Business, along with the Contemplative in Action Leadership Award through DSA.



“Natasa has been President of Panhellenic Council for Spring 22 and Fall 22 semesters. Natasa has shown true mentorship and guidance for the sorority presidents and Panhellenic executive board. Natasa has maintained a high GPA while not just being president of Panhel, but also is involved in Sigma Kappa sorority, and Information Technology Student Organization on campus.”

Sarah Johannes, Residence Life

Nathan Pawlak is a senior majoring in Nursing and minoring in peace studies. Nathan has worked as a resident's assistant in Humphrey Hall for the past two years. He is the advisor of club tennis and loves volunteering in his free time. Nathan is an active presence in the college of nursing, he has been a speaker for numerous events and is MUSG nursing representative for the senior speaker committee. Additionally, he is currently doing a research project on the dementia population of Medicare. Nathan was selected to extern at La Rabida Children's hospital. This is a unique opportunity to serve underprivileged children with complex chronic medical conditions. In the future, Nathan sees himself working towards health equity in the Surgical ICU.



“Nathan has been an incredible member of the Humphrey Hall staff during his time as a resident assistant. He has often gone above what is expected of him within the role. For example: when one of his fellow RAs on his floor left the RA position, Nathan stepped up and took over several of his responsibilities, such as checking in on residents and running floor events, until a new RA was hired. Additionally Nathan has had to manage several unique crises while he has been on duty, during which Nathan was able to help with de-escalating the situation while also ensuring that residents were cared for. Nathan also served as a source of guidance for new RAs at throughout the year. Several of his peers expressed their appreciation for Nathan's guidance and assistance when they were learning different parts of the position. Nathan is also a positive individual within the Humphrey community and readily reaches out to residents with support and guidance when it is needed.”

Zachary Reindel, Residence Life

Tess Perumanoor is a senior majoring in Biomedical Sciences and minoring in Public Health and Equity. She is in the pre-med route with the goal of going to medical school and pursuing a career in Family Medicine. Tess is currently an Anatomy Fellow, the Biomedical Sciences Student Association's secretary, a retreat leader and student director for retreats through Campus Ministry, and the College of Health Sciences Ambassador. She is also part of Dr. Ghazemzadeh's research lab. Additionally, she volunteers at Father Gene's Help Center and is a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) at Froedtert in the Complexity Intervention Unit.



“Tess has been a significant leader in Campus Ministry for the past three years, culminating in her role as a student director for this spring's Marquette Experience Retreat. She is unfailingly reliable, willing to take on any task, and a leader in putting the needs of Marquette students first when considering how to design and facilitate a retreat. Tess invites other students to share leadership and has served as a strong mentor to newer leaders. Impressively, she does all of this while balancing the logistics of commuting to campus and work and other obligations. Tess is a great example of a contemplative in action!”

Sara Knutson, Campus Ministry



Lauren Pfeifer is a senior majoring in Accounting and Finance. She currently serves as President of Marquette University's Liturgical Choir where she has been a member since her freshman year. Throughout her time in choir, she has held various leadership positions as Treasurer, Publicity Chair, Vice President, and President. As a senior, she looks back at her college experience and could not imagine it without this organization and the people involved. She will miss this choir deeply as she leaves Marquette following her graduation this May.

“Lauren Pfeifer has proven to be outstanding in her leadership as President of the Liturgical Choir this year, especially in guiding the group through the bumpy process of adjusting to a new director. While normally a music ensemble experiences a drop-off in membership in a director's first year, the fact that the choir's numbers have stayed consistent is attributable to Lauren's leadership and encouragement of her fellow returners. Lauren has also shown great wisdom and thoughtfulness in her ability to consider change within the organization, and she deserves credit for how she invites other leaders to adapt to new circumstances. She has demonstrated great capability in tackling new challenges and leading an organization to grow and improve while still holding onto its core identity.”

Andrew Mountin, Campus Ministry

Micah Pierce-Coleman is a senior majoring in Communication Studies with minors in Psychology and Sociology. In her time at Marquette, she has been involved with the Office of Engagement as a Leadership Program Intern, The Student Wellness Center as a Wellness Peer Educator, as well as the Office of Admissions as a Campus Tour Guide. Micah has also shown dedication to the university by volunteering her time to act as an Orientation Leader for NSFP, serving on the communications team for the Justice in Action Conference, and completing the leadership development programs Cardoner Scholars and Arrupe Ambassadors.



“Micah is a Senior majoring in Communication Studies and double minoring in Psychology and Sociology. She is a passionate and dedicated student that is no stranger to leadership. Her work extends to all corners of Marquette, whether it be her work as a Leadership Programming Intern, a Peer Wellness Educator, along with playing key roles in the Justice in Action conference and the Olson Leadership Institute. Beyond these roles, Micah strives to create a plethora of inclusive spaces across campus by advocating for other and with others. She is someone who works to make the world a better place, one day at a time.”

Jenny Fierro-Padilla, Medical Clinic/Wellness Program



Gabrielle Prehn is a senior majoring in biomedical sciences in the doctor of physical therapy program. She has been involved in a many things throughout her time at Marquette. Gabrielle has been in the band since she was a freshmen cheering on the basketball team at pep band games and secretary of it for the past three. She volunteered as a part of the backpack program helping fight food insecurity at Marquette for the past four years. She has served as the director of both internal and external relations on the backpack program executive board. She is also a building supervisor through recreational sports for the gyms on campus.

“The way Gabrielle balances her academics, her work experiences and her leadership opportunities is a true reflection of this award. Within Recreational Sports she serves as a Building Supervisor - managing her peers and working with patrons. She is very effective at communicating with those around her and doing what is right. She serves the Marquette Community with her involvement in the Backpack Program and you may have heard her play in the Marquette University Bands at a Volleyball or Basketball game! When you combine all of this with her strong work ethic she is a worth recipient of the Contemplatives In Action Award.”

James Friel, Recreational Sports

Hannah Ray is a 4th year in the Physical Therapy program. She volunteers at Marquette's Pediatric PT clinic. She currently works as a Facilities Manager in the Office of Residence Life.



“Hannah Ray is a Marquette student who upholds justice, equity, and service to others in all that she does. She can be counted upon to advocate for those in need and values fairness and faith in her day to day life. Mashuda Hall is grateful to have Hannah serving as our facilities manager as she takes on residents' needs as her own. Wherever Hannah goes in the future will be blessed to have her. She is a shining example of a Marquette student, and her ideals will stay with Mashuda long after she has gone.”

Colin Roberts, Residence Life

Donny Robbins is a junior majoring in Data Science and Theology. He is part of the RCIA leadership team which helps students prepare for full initiation into the Catholic Church. He also the secretary of the log rolling team, a club team at Marquette.



“Math and theology major, Donny Robbins, serves on the team supporting students preparing to receive the Catholic sacraments of initiation. Donny’s dedication to accompanying peers on their faith journeys has found him helping lead and participate in a number of sacramental formation groups each week to best meet student schedules. Donny encourages an atmosphere of openness and inquisitiveness for fellow students by regularly sharing his own questions. An avid pickle ball player and bicycler, Donny is an active member of MU Logrolling.”

Steve Blaha, Campus Ministry



Maiya Sabree is a senior majoring in Psychology. She is also in the Core Honors program and the Educational Opportunity Program. She currently serves as the co-President of Black Mindz, an organization that is dedicated to providing a safe space for students of color to discuss mental health and the importance of maintaining a healthy mind. She also is a member of the Mu Beta chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated and works as a cultural programs and services intern for the Center for Engagement and Inclusion. She also interns at the City of Milwaukee Health Department with the Maternal and Child Health team with the intention of going into the public health field.

“Maiya Sabree is a senior Psychology Major, during her time on Marquette’s campus has been involved in various orgs. Currently she is the Program Intern for the Center for Engagement and Inclusion. In her role she has assisted in major campus programming. She has gone above and beyond in her role by creating programming and adding into the community in the CEI. She has also restarted Black Mindz, which serves as a club that is dedicated to providing a safe space for students of color to discuss mental health and the importance of a healthy mind. Her campus contribution is not only need but appreciated as she has impacted the social experience for many students of color.”

Alecia Conway, Engagement and Inclusion

Nadxely Sanchez is a proud 1st generation, a low-income student in the College of Arts & Science. This May she will be graduating with a degree in Political Science with triple minors in Latinx Studies, History, and Spanish Language, Literature, and Culture. She currently interns at the Center for Race, Ethnic, and Indigenous Studies and works as a Milwaukee College Organizer with Voces de la Frontera. After graduation, her goal is to continue working for Voces de la Frontera and prepare for the LSAT to then attend Law School to obtain her J.D./Ph.D. in immigration law and related research.



“Nadxely, an exceptional student, has dedicated her efforts to furthering social justice in campus and beyond. She is outstanding in her ability to turn what she experiences on campus and the community at large into actions that help build a better place for all. Nadxely also is very loved and well respected by faculty, staff, and her peers for her friendly, welcoming, and equitable treatment toward others. Among her talents we can count excellent leadership critical thinking, time management, problem solving, and organizational skills. She has been an invaluable contributor to Campus Ministry’s Border Awareness Experience, both as participant and facilitator. Also, she has greatly contributed as member of Latin American Student Org., Youth Empowered in the Struggle—Solidarity in Action Student Org., and Voces de la Frontera Milwaukee. She served as a Leader of the Camina Connmigo Retreat highlighting the Native roots of Latinx spirituality and their relationship to Christian tradition.”

Bernardo Ávila-Borunda, Campus Ministry



Claire Schomogyi is a junior in the College of Arts and Sciences majoring in theology, minoring in biology and psychology, all in hope of pursuing her doctorate in occupational therapy. She is also a part of the E-lead and Honors programs! Claire is the President of both Occupational Therapy Club and Coffee Club! I also work with the Campus Ministry offices as an office assistant and social media intern. She is a huge participant in all they put on from soup with substance, adoration, liturgy, retreats, and ignite!! Two times a week, she works with Food Recovery Network. She has also served as a DR in Straz, an OL, and in CPC. She is also part of the Tuesday Night Mass Choir and intramural sports!

“Claire is a fantastically amazing student leader in our office! She is a regular presence in the office, where her outgoing, affirming, kind, and engaging personality bring joy, excitement, and energy. She has been a leader for our retreat program, where she is able to help us deepen our prayer life, explore our faith, and build community. More, she has taken lead building out the social media presence of Campus Ministry, identifying new ways to engage and interact with students, faculty, and staff. We find her regularly at mass and other liturgies. And her time in the office is always welcome and enjoyable, both for staff and her fellow students. Claire is a real example of student leadership, particularly exemplifying the Ignatian and Jesuit values representing the best of a Marquette education!”

Father Nathaniel Romano

Cardie Sims is the current Student Employee Coordinator at the AMU. He is majoring in Criminology and Law studies and is on track to become a lawyer. He is dedicated to his work and more importantly, helping others.



“Cardie is the Student Employee Coordinator for the Alumni Memorial Union Student Employment Program. He is a dedicated leader, mentor, and decision maker. Everything he does is with others in mind. Cardie has brought energy, humor, and active participation in this role. His peers want to be engaged with him and he thinks of creative ways to lead and to learn from others. Cardie is approachable and has created great relationships with his peers. He daily lives out the Marquette mission and is committed to leadership development through service to others.”

Zack Kohlwey AMU

Eric Skogland is a junior in Mechanical Engineering with a minor in business administration and has joined the Marquette ADP STEM MBA program. He currently is a manager at the REC Center where he schedules and manages over one hundred student employees. As an Engineering Ambassador for the OPUS College of engineering he helps with outreach to prospective Marquette students interested in studying engineering. He is a member of the Sigma Phi Delta Engineering fraternity on campus.



“Eric is an exemplary example of student-leadership. Eric values every interaction and creates an opening environment with his personable attitude. He has quickly moved up the ranks in Rec Sports and currently serves as a Student Manager. He is responsible for scheduling over 100 students in four different facilities. While he is very hard-working with tasks, he is also great with relationships. He is very calm under pressure and 'hears people out'. Eric is very deserving of the Contemplatives In Action Award - Congrats Eric!”

James Friel, Recreational Sports



Frater Anselm Jacob Smith, SCJ is a Senior majoring in Philosophy and double minoring in Theology and History. He was born in Tulsa, OK, and raised in Houston, TX. At age 18, he entered Formation with the Congregation of the Priests of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, as well as began studies at Marquette University. During his time at Marquette, he has been dedicated to working with Campus Ministry in various capacities, as a lector, acolyte, extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, cantor, et cetera. He also is a member of the Phi Sigma Tau and Phi Alpha Theta honours societies. Off campus, he is a chorister with Jubilate Chorale in Waukesha. He made his first vows as a Religious on August 15th, 2022. He will Graduate May 20th, 2023.

“Jacob is a wonderfully kind, considerate, prayerful, reverent, and devout student whose personality and personal witness of faith inspires and encourages his colleagues and others in the Marquette community. He often serves as a liturgical minister across campus, even willing to jump in and help last-minute when needed. And he is a regular fixture in the campus ministry office throughout the week, engaging others in conversation and community.”

Fr Nataniel Romano SJ, Campus Ministry

Noah Smith is a senior majoring in English literature and theology with minors in medieval studies, German, and history. He has served on the executive board of Midnight Run for two semesters and has been a site coordinator for the club since Fall 2020. He has directed, led, and attended retreats in campus ministry as well. Noah is a tutor at the Ott Memorial Writing Center in Raynor Library where he has served on the leadership team. He has worked for the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network since May 2021 in translation and content creation. He is a member of three honors societies: Delta Phi Alpha (German), Sigma Tau Delta (English), and Alpha Sigma Nu (Jesuit).



“Noah exercises consensus driven leadership reflecting strong Ignatian values. As a fall Midnight Run Co-coordinator and site coordinator throughout the year he helped guide and build a team of 23 site coordinators and over 135 volunteers in weekly service across Milwaukee to address housing and food insecurity. Noah seamlessly incorporates a faith witness which reflects Midnight Run’s philosophy rooted in the Gospel, with Matthew 25 serving as its hallmark, “What-so-ever you do for the least of these, you do for me.” Noah was a fantastic leader for the Salt & Light retreat; more than a student director, he functioned with the poise, confidence, and competence one would have expected from a seasoned campus minister. He was also a joy to work with on the collaborative Ite/Catholicism Café project between campus ministry and Gesu Parish. Noah’s humor, cheerfulness, and charisma created a warm and welcoming environment for student leaders in preparation meetings, and for all participants.”

Mary Sue Callan-Farley, Campus Ministry

Elizabeth Sporina is a Junior majoring in Criminology and French with a minor in psychology. She currently serves as the President of Pi Delta Phi (the French National Honors society on campus), an active member of Le Cercle Français, a university student alumni ambassador, and an ambassador for the College of Arts and Sciences. She is also a member of the University honors college, a member of Alpha Sigma Nu, serves on the executive board for the Women's Club Volleyball team, and has been involved with SPARK and Orientation for two years.



“Liz has been a true joy to have as a leader with New Student and Family Programs. She brought tremendous energy and dedication to the success of our team and our programs. Not only does Liz lead with maturity, she consistently strives to advance the work of our office. She could be counted on as the go with the flow leader, approaching any challenge or setback with the utmost positivity. Liz has an infectious personality and has been truly a wonderful addition to our team and a great leader on this campus.”

Kate Cibich, Student Development

Paige Stoeffler is a senior double-majoring in Peace Studies and Theology with a minor in Social Welfare and Justice. She is currently the Senior Resident Assistant in Wells Street Hall and a Programming Assistant at the Center for Peacemaking. She is involved with the student organization, RISE, and is a first generation student. Paige published her self-illustrated children's book through the Center for Peacemaking, named "Sometimes Things Happen," and is passionate about the role of art as a force for social change.



“Paige approaches all situations with a caring heart and passion for the work she is doing and the people she is serving. Her education focuses her in on Social Justice, Theology, and Peace Studies and the content of these classes pours over into the work I see her do as a Resident Assistant of Wells Street Hall. Paige also is a current intern at Marquette University's Center for Peacemaking working in collaboration with others for the success of events like the Justice in Action Conference, the center's summer immersion programs, and recruitments efforts for the Peace Making major and minor at Marquette.”

Alicia Román, Residence Life

Beka Tait is a senior majoring in Nursing. She is a proud member of the Marquette University Nurses Association and Project Beyond. Most recently, Beka has been honored and commended for her excellent academic records during the Fall '22 semester, earning placement on Marquette University's Dean's List of Distinguished Students. Beyond her busy life and studies, Beka also serves as President of the Marquette University Gospel Choir. She has worked overtime behind the scenes to ensure all is in order and continues to be a great asset to the success of the gospel choir club. Her willing spirit, and strong desire to help truly embraces Marquette's mission.



“Rebekah Tait (Beka) is a Senior majoring in Nursing. She is a proud member of the Marquette University Nurses Association and Project Beyond. Most recently, Beka has been honored and commended for her excellent academic records during the Fall '22 semester, earning placement on Marquette University's Dean's List of Distinguished Students. Beyond her busy life and studies, Beka is also a faithful and dedicated member of the Marquette Gospel Choir. She has served as the Vice President of the Gospel Choir Club (21-22) and now, actively serves as President of the Choir Club. As President, Beka is responsible for the overall logistics surrounding choir events and concerts, ranging from club member recruitment, marketing, promotion, and coordinating concert programs. She has works overtime behind the scenes to ensure all is in order and continues to be a great asset to the success of the gospel choir club. Her willing spirit, and strong desire to help truly embraces Marquette's mission.”

Debbie Duff, Campus Ministry

Shannon Torrez is a senior from Oswego, Illinois, majoring in Nursing. She currently works on campus as a Service Staff for Rec Sports. Outside of her campus job, she also works as a Nurse Extern at Froedtert Hospital and as a Home-Healthcare Provider for a person with a spinal cord injury. When not studying or working, Shannon enjoys exploring Milwaukee's restaurants and coffee shops. She finds passion and purpose in making a difference in every person she has the opportunity to interact with. She hopes to bring her passion into her future nursing career where she strives to address inequalities that impact many minorities healthcare opportunities.



“Shannon excels as a Service Staff at Recreational Sports. She is a Nursing Major, and very busy with other activities and still works hard in all that she does at Rec Sports. She translates the care and concern she has along with her mentorship program experience in the clinical setting to our work at Rec Sports. She is very passionate about enforcing policies and improving the experience for all that cross her path. In sum, Shannon is a very deserving recipient of a Contemplatives In Action Award. Congrats Shannon!”

James Friel, Recreational Sports

Melissa Variny is a Senior double-majoring in Accounting and Real Estate. She currently serves as the Vice President of Beta Alpha Psi, a Wellness Peer Educator, and an Interviewer for the Honors College here at Marquette. Outside of Marquette, she is a Property Accounting intern at Physicians Realty Trust. This summer, Melissa will be a State and Local Tax intern at RSM before returning to Marquette to pursue her Master's Degree in Accounting. Melissa has been a long-time member within her campus involvements and has created and executed programming for students across Marquette's campus. Her work is centered around promoting holistic wellness to students and helping them grow personally and professionally.



“Melissa wears many hats, whether it be working as a Property Accounting Intern at Physicians Realty Trust, a tutor for Marquette Athletics, or a Peer Wellness Educator for the Center for Student Wellness and Health Promotion. She is a person for the people. Her dedication to her work is evident, but even more importantly, her commitment to students is undeniable. If a student or coworker is struggling, she is the first to offer a shoulder to lean on. She opens her professional toolbox and provides support if a program or event needs assistance or restructuring. If advice and guidance are needed, her wisdom never fails. The list goes on!”

Emily Foley, Medical Clinic/Wellness Program

Jalen Webster is a senior from Milwaukee, WI pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a major of Finance and is expected to graduate in May 2023. During his time at Marquette, Jalen has been an active contributor to Marquette Athletics, which includes three years as a Lead Marketing intern for Men's Basketball, and his senior year as a Marquette Cheerleader. He has also held other leadership positions including being a Resident Assistant and Campus tour guide. Jalen's professional experience includes internships with U.S. Bank and J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. After graduation in May, Jalen will relocate to New York, NY, and start his position as a Corporate & Investment Banking Analyst at J.P. Morgan.



Jalen is a third-year Resident Assistant (RA) and is currently serving as the first-ever RA of the Business Living Learning Community. Jalen has made an incredible impact in the Abbotsford community, as well as in the greater campus community. Jalen's participation on the cheer team demonstrates his school pride and his ability and desire to lead at all times.

Several residents from Jalen's floor have told me that they have applied to be an RA because they have appreciated how much Jalen has helped and supported them this year, and they want to do the same for first-year students next year. In my opinion, this is truly what being an RA is all about: making a difference for your residents. There are a lot of duties involved with being an RA, but the true measure of a great RA is how much they touch the lives of the residents on their floor. Jalen has done this for his residents and I know how grateful they are for his support as they navigate this scary thing called "college."

Hannah Gonzalez, Residence Life

Vanessa Wilkerson is a sophomore majoring in Exercise Physiology in the M.A.T program and minoring in theology. She currently serves as the secretary of the Urban Scholars Program, student leader of the Impact Movement, and member of multiple clubs on campus. Some of the clubs include Adaptive Abilities, Habitat for Humanities, and Culture, Conflict, and Interfaith. She is also a student ambassador for the College of Health Sciences and a member of the Student Partnership Research Committee. Vanessa has been a peer counselor for the Emerging Scholars Program and a retreat leader for Campus Ministry. This coming summer she will be going to Ghana to be in community with other followers of Christ and to spread the Gospel.



“Vanessa has been very involved in Campus Ministry. She helped to lead the Ignatian Leadership Retreat for incoming students, is very involved with the Christian Impact movement on campus, and takes other students to church on Sundays. She is an MU Urban Scholar and an overall outstanding student. She is also leading a service trip over spring break with the Marquette Action Program and has been very supportive to this re-emerging program in Campus Ministry. She is competent, compassionate, easy to work with and a strong leader on campus.”

Phillip Sutherland, Campus Ministry

Brianna Yi is a senior majoring in Psychology and Social Welfare and Justice with a minor in Sociology. She is head supervisor for intramural basketball and soccer on campus. She is also a tour guide for Office of Undergraduate Admissions at Marquette. She is a member of the Bayanihan Student Organization on campus. During her senior year, she has been interning at Cristo Rey Jesuit High School Milwaukee under their college counseling team. In the fall of 2023, she will be attending Marquette's Graduate School for their School Counseling program.



“In her role as the head Intramural Basketball and Soccer Supervisor, Bri has taken the reigns in running two of the most popular intramural programs. The leadership role she has undertaken in the hiring, training and scheduling of officials has been a game changer for the department.”

Scott Anderegg, Recreational Sports



John Zeman is in the Honors and Pre-Law program double majoring in Cognitive Science and Anthropology with a 3.8 G.P.A. He is one of the original members of the newly formed DAPi (Delta Alpha Pi), the Honors Society for students with disabilities. As a student with disabilities, he served as a mentor through the office of Disability Services, working with incoming Freshmen or transfers to help them navigate through their first year focusing on how to advocate for themselves in the classroom and within the Office of Disability Services. As a Cognitive Science and Anthropology Major, he has worked on research throughout my time at Marquette. He works on two separate research projects.

“In his role as the head Intramural Volleyball Supervisor, John has taken the reigns in elevating the sport to one of our most popular programs. John's leadership qualities have stood out since he joined our staff. He handles hiring, training and scheduling our volleyball staff and has excelled in all 3 facets. His peers and co-workers have great respect and admiration for him.”

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