

BGA Wins Pulitzer Prize

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The Better Government Association has won a Pulitzer Prize for its investigative stories with The Chicago Tribune that exposed the failure of Chicago city officials to keep tenants safe from deadly fires in dangerous residential buildings.

BGA Wins Nine Lisagor Awards

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Among the prizes are “Best News Website,” podcast honors for “The Madigan Rule,” and investigative awards for two projects “Failures Before the Fires” in collaboration with the Chicago Tribune and “The Costly Toll of Dead-end Drug Arrests” with the Chicago Sun-Times.

Orland Park Mayor Says Crime at Lowest in Nearly Three Decades

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In his bid for Congress, Mayor Keith Pekau is touting the downward turn in reported crimes during his tenure. While the reported statistics bear him out, there was a spike in violent crime his first year in office.

BGA Honored with Tribune as Finalist for Livingston Award

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The BGA/Chicago Tribune investigation “Failures Before the Fires” was named a finalist for the national award for Local Reporting. The Livingston Award is meant to honor journalists under 35 for excellence in journalism. Winner will be announced in June.

BGA Twice Honored in the 2022 National Headliner Awards

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Two projects, including “Cabrini-Green: A History of Broken Promises” and “Failures Before the Fires,” were awarded second place in two categories for online journalism. The Fires project, with the Chicago Tribune, was honored for the collaboration. The Cabrini Project was named in a category for online only journalism.

Pattern of Late-Night Finishes for the Illinois General Assembly Raises Transparency Concerns

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The ILGA ends almost every session past its deadline. Is it by design?

The BGA's Driehaus Foundation Investigative Awards Submission Period Extended

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The Better Government Association still is accepting submissions for its 2022 Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Awards for Investigative Reporting, and news organizations from across Illinois are encouraged to apply. The deadline for submissions has been extended to Monday, May 2, 2022.

BGA Named Lisagor Award Finalists 21 Times

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The nominations from the Chicago Headline Club recognize the Better Government Association and its journalism partners for several stories exposing corruption, government mismanagement and neglect of Chicago's underserved residents.

BGA, Block Club Chicago Win National Award for Exposing Loretto Hospital Scandals

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Block Club's reports about unfair COVID-19 vaccine distribution led to a collaboration with the BGA that exposed mismanagement, clouted contracts and extravagance at the West Side hospital. The reports prompted an FBI probe.

BGA and Block Club Chicago share national Izzy Award

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The logo consists of the letters "BGA" in a bold, white, sans-serif font, centered on a solid dark blue rectangular background.

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Stories about corruption at Loretto Hospital and shifting profits at the state's Medicaid program are honored with the annual award for achievement in independent journalism.