



TOP STUDENT AWARD. Lucas Ruholl, Allied Health EMS adjunct instructor, right, presented the Top Student Award to Zachary Homerding, Lovington, during the 2023 Lake Land College EMS pinning ceremony.



SHIRLEY SHERWOOD AWARD. Shirley Sherwood, Allied Health EMS adjunct instructor, right, is pictured with Zachary Homerding, Lovington. Homerding received the Shirley Sherwood Award during the 2023 Lake Land College EMS pinning ceremony.

Lake Land College recognizes EMS graduates at annual pinning ceremony

Lake Land College recognized EMS program graduates at an annual pinning ceremony in May. The recipient of the Top Student Award for highest score in the program was Zachary Homerding.

The Professional Development Award for overall growth in skills and confidence went to Sean "Patrick" Hannagan II. Elizabeth Dudley earned the Perseverance Award for pushing through personal difficulties.

The Bumble Bee Award for untapped potential recipient was Cayla Jolly. The Shirley Sherwood Award for Excellence in EMS education went to Zachary Homerding. The following graduates

were pinned at the ceremony: Elizabeth Dudley from Brockton, IL being pinned by her husband Rob Dudley. Zachary Dye from Effingham being pinned by his daughter Nora. Sean "Patrick" Hannagan II from St. Elmo, IL being pinned by his instructor Paramedic Lucas Ruholl.

Preston Ozier from Bethany, IL being pinned by his dad Assistant Fire Chief/Paramedic Phil Ozier. Colton Romine from Mattoon, IL being Pinned by his dad Shift Captain and EMT-Basic Mike Romine.

Aaron Templeton from Decatur, IL being pinned by his mom Andrea Templeton. Dakota Waldhoff from Sigel being pinned by her dad EMT-Basic Troy Althoff.

Town Talk

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a great choice. She had this to say, "Cruising the Arthur area with stops at Beachys, Shady Crest Farm Market, antiques and boutiques along the downtown, a coffee or ice cream from Roselens, and of course, a family meal at Yoder's Kitchen." I told her that she did a great job of hitting the highlights

and added that I would suggest Aikman's Wildlife Adventure, especially for kids, and Pauly's BBQ. And if you want to hear some good stories and maybe a little piano playing and singing, be sure to stop in and see Jerry at Winters Gallery. Nice to know that there are those who appreciate all that we have to offer. It's one thing I always enjoy hearing when I'm at the Arthur Welcome Center. When

I ask if people have been here before I often get, oh yes, we love Arthur and have been here many times. I always tell them how much we appreciate that. So be sure to watch WCIA next week and come downtown for the show on Friday night to show off our pride in Arthur! And that's -30- for granddaughter Izzy who was my houseguest last week. We had a great time!

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