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2020 Telecommunicator of the Year

The Illinois Sheriffs' Association is pleased to announce that Clinton County Sheriff's Telecommunicator Kelly Keserauskis has been named the 2020 Telecommunicator of the Year based on her quick-thinking and valiant actions on August 13, 2020.

Each year the ISA awards Deputy of the Year, Corrections Officer of the Year, and Telecommunicator of the year. The ISA is tasked with making a tough decision regarding the numerous nominations they receive from Sheriff's throughout the State. The Illinois Sheriffs' Association has chosen Kelly Keserauskis based on her shrewd actions on August 13, 2020 and the events that followed.

On August 13th, 2020 at 12:59pm, the Clinton County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call of a cardiac arrest at a golf course in Carlyle. Telecommunicator Kelly Keserauskis answered the 911 caller who stated his friend had collapsed while golfing and he was going to start CPR. Keserauskis gathered vital information in a timely manner, contacted Carlyle Police Department by radio to respond, and dispatched Carlyle Fire Department to the scene.

Due to the location of the cardiac arrest on the golf course, and emergency units unable to respond directly to the victim, Keserauskis contacted the golf course manager by phone to have golf carts ready at the entrance to the course for emergency responders. The victim was revived, taken to the emergency room and survived the incident.

The extraordinary efforts by Keserauskis resulted in timely lifesaving measures for first responders. Her quick thinking and sense of adaptability will continue providing the highest quality of service to first responders and citizens of Clinton County.

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