2024 IPTA Award Recipients

On July 16, 2024, during the Iowa Pupil Transportation Association Conference we presented awards to several outstanding individuals. Longevity Awards, recognizing a combined total of 245 years of experience driving school buses and nurturing children in our communities: Kathy Miller, Mid Prairie CSD 34 Years, Vince Higgins, Independence CSD 35 Years, Ann Krabill, Mt Pleasant CSD 42 Years, Larry Krabill Mt. Pleasant CSD 67 Years, and Alan Wright Jesup CSD 67 Years. The Heroism for this year went to Nathan Beal, Storm Lake CSD who had performed a life saving feat during a hit and run accident. The Holly Hogland Klien Award was presented to Terri Anderson, Ballard CSD, in recognition of her exceptional contributions. The Tom Horn Memorial Award was presented to Max Christensen, former Director for the State of Iowa, for his exemplary leadership and dedication.

All 220 attendees at the ceremony gave these remarkable individuals a standing ovation, recognizing their significant impact on their communities and the State of Iowa.

Congratulations to all the awardees! Your commitment and passion are truly inspiring and make a profound difference every day.

Longevity Awards L-R: Kathy Miller, Mid Prairie 34 Years with Tressa Hartley Mid Prairie Transportation Director, Vince Higgins, Independence CSD 35 Years with Bobbie Finley IPTA Board Member. Larry (67 Years) and Ann (42 Years) Krabill, Mt. Pleasant CSD. With Anna and Ted Carlson Mt. Pleasant CSD Alan Wright, Jesup CSD 67 Years with Ron Sadler, Jesup CSD Transportation Director

Tom Horn Memorial Award Recipient Max Christensen with IPTA Executive Director Chris Darling

Holly Hoglund Klien, Iowa Woman in Transportation Award Recipient: Terri Anderson with Nathan Renz and IPTA Board Member Mary Jo Hetrick

Heroism Award Recipient: Nathan Beal Storm Lake CSD Transportation Director with Jeff Tollefson Storm Lake CSD Business Manager, Wife Brynn, Children Brennen & Bryar