

Spencer County Commissioner Receives AIC'S Highest Honor



INDIANAPOLIS (Oct. 24, 2017) – The Association of Indiana Counties (AIC) has named Spencer County Commissioner Al Logsdon as the 2017 Himsel Award Winner. The Arthur R. Himsel Award is the AIC's highest honor and is named for an individual who dedicated his/her public career as an elected county official. Himsel was also one of the AIC's founding members. For many years, Himsel served as Indiana's representative on the National Association of Counties (NACo) Board of Directors. Since the inception of the Himsel Award in 1984, it has been given to an elected county official who has served the interests of county government through involvement with the AIC. The award was presented during the AIC Annual Conference, the largest gathering of county officials in the state. The 2017 conference was held in Switzerland County Sept. 25-28 and included meetings designed specifically for each elected county office.

Logsdon began his career as an educator more than 50 years ago and served in related roles from teacher, coach and principal until his retirement in 2003. Upon retiring from the school system, Logsdon was quickly recruited to run for county commissioner and has served Spencer County in that role for more than a decade. His leadership skills have also positively impacted residents of all counties across Indiana through his service as president of the Indiana Association of County Commissioners and president of the AIC.

Logsdon has also served in various other leadership roles on the AIC Board of Directors, including service as a district officer and on various committees. He is well known for his ability to engage students in learning about government. Logsdon's county has one of the highest

participation rates in the AIC Third Grade Essay Contest each spring because he personally invites all schools in his county to participate every year.