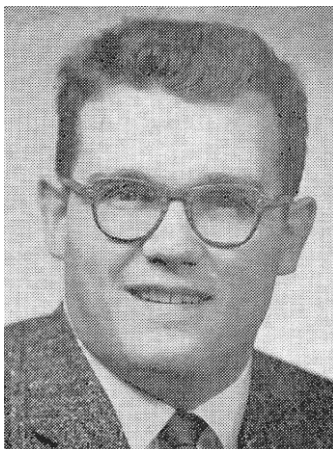


## ***2011 ALHS Athletic Hall of Fame Inductee***



**Paul Ehrhard was head coach of the Albert Lea wrestling program from 1957 to 1977.**

**Ehrhard graduated from the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul and had only two years of coaching experience prior to arriving in Albert Lea. In his first year, in addition to coaching wrestling, Ehrhard was an assistant football coach.**

**While at the helm of the Albert Lea wrestling program, Ehrhard coached 15 state champions, 45 state place winners and 75 state qualifiers. He lead the team to three state championships, 10 Big Nine Conference championships, 10 Region 1 championships and 17 District 2 championships.**

**Ehrhard compiled a 234-23-6 career coaching record with the wrestling team and won 89 percent of his matches.**

**In 1972, Ehrhard was named Minnesota Wrestling Coach of the Year, and his state record for win-loss percentage stood for more than 30 years.**

**Ehrhard is a member of the Minnesota Wrestling Coaches Hall of Fame, Southern Minnesota Wrestling Coaches, Officials and Wrestlers Hall of Fame and the National Wrestling Coaches Hall of Fame.**

**Ehrhard currently lives with his wife, Kathy, in Hastings.**

