

**District IX**  
**Chapter of the Pennsylvania Wrestling Coaches Association (PWCA)**  
**Wrestling Hall of Fame**

**2004 District IX Hall of Fame Inductees**

**LARRY ADAMS(Contributor)**

Mr. Larry Adams is being inducted tonight in the category of contributor based on his 27 years of officiating in our sport of wrestling. Larry's first exposure to wrestling began at Redbank Valley High School under State Hall of Fame Coach Jesse Caldwell in 1953. Upon graduation, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy where he served on four combat aircraft carriers during his tour of duty. His officiating experience includes both high school and college meets throughout western Pennsylvania. He has been selected to officiate seven Erie Sectional Tournaments, 18 District IX Championships, 15 Regional and 3 PIAA State Championships. Larry continues to officiate high school football as he has for the past 37 years. In the year 2000 he was given the privilege to officiate the Class A State Championship Game.

**FRANK "IKE" EISENHOWER(Coach)**

Mr. Frank "Ike" Eisenhower has impressive credentials in all three categories for induction into the District IX Hall of Fame. He officiated wrestling for 28 years. As a high school wrestler, Frank earned two district and two state titles competing for Bald Eagle Nittany in 1959 and 1960 while compiling a scholastic record of 57-4-1. During his collegiate career at Lock Haven University, Ike claimed titles in both the PSAC and NAIA tournaments in 1965. However, Mr. Eisenhower is being inducted in tonight's District IX Hall of Fame for his contribution to district coaching. A seven year coaching stint at St. Francis College followed by one year at Youngstown State University began his coaching career. Coach Eisenhower then completed 10 years at Curwensville High School where he guided his wrestlers to 10 District IX individual titles, one regional champion, and one state champion in Randy Cathcart, a 2001 Hall of Fame inductee.

**THOMAS STOREY(Wrestler)**

In the time of heightened pride in America, the Coaches Association feels our next inductee is most appropriate. Mr. Thomas Storey is a 1989 graduate of Coudersport High School where he earned three District IX Titles, the Outstanding Wrestler award at the Regional Championships and a PIAA State Title. Tom's academic and athletic accomplishments as well as his fine character gained him an appointment to the United States Naval Academy. Twice Tom qualified for the NCAA nationals through the EIWA tournament where he claimed a title in 1993. He was inducted into the Naval Academy Athletic Hall of Fame that year concluding a collegiate career with a 70-29 record. He competed on the All Navy Team from 1994 to 1999 earning many awards including All American status at the University Nationals, bronze medals in both Freestyle and Greco at the United States Olympic Festival and 7th place finishes on both the World Teams trials and the 1996 United States Olympic trials. Lt. Commander Storey is presently serving aboard the U.S.S. Enterprise deployed in the Persian Gulf. We congratulate Tom and thank him for his service in the defense of our nation.