



OSCAR "SWEDE" ERICKSON
INDUCTED IN 1984
(Plaque #24)

"SWEDE" BEGAN HIS COACHING CAREER IN 1951 AND COACHED AT THE FOLLOWING WYOMING SCHOOLS:

1951 - 1953 MIDWEST HIGH SCHOOL
1953 - 1958 NATRONA COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
1958 - 1998? CASPER COLLEGE

HIS COACHING CAREER ENCOMPASSED 33 YEARS ON THE DATE OF INDUCTION.

NOTED FOR HIS SUCCESS IN BASKETBALL, "SWEDE" HAD AN OVERALL RECORD OF 704 WINS AND 280 LOSSES, INCLUDING 3 DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS, 12 REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, 1 STATE RUNNER-UP TITLE, AND 1 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP. PLUS HIS TEAMS PLACED 2ND, 3RD, AND 4TH IN THE NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE BASKETBALL FINALS.

DURING HIS COACHING CAREER, "SWEDE" ACHIEVED THE FOLLOWING:

- **THE CASPER COLLEGE THUNDERBIRD GYMNASIUM WAS NAMED AFTER HIM - 1983.**
- **SELECTED AS THE FIRST NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE COACH OF THE YEAR.**

THE THUNDERBIRD TEAM PLACED SECOND IN THE NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE BASKETBALL FINALS.