

# Mickey Blechman – KA – 1994



**Mickey became only the second contributor to 1-wall handball to receive USHA recognition via the Bob Kendler Award.**

Not only did Blechman revise the 1-wall rulebook, he became Metropolitan 1-Wall AAU Chairman, a post he held for many years. Under his auspices numerous AAU 1-wall events were scheduled, seeded, and guided. He became 1-wall's greatest rules pundit of his era. And he retained records of 1-wall tournaments dating back to the 1920's. Without Mickey Blechman that part of 1-wall handball history might have been lost forever. His complete set of Handball Magazines was given to 1-Wall Commissioner (at the time) Howie Eisenberg, and his vast collection of handball news clippings was donated to the Inner City Handball Association to be archived. Mickey was a high school math teacher at Brooklyn's Tilden High School and Far Rockaway High School. At both schools he coached the Boys Handball Team, and passed on to them his love and devotion to the game.