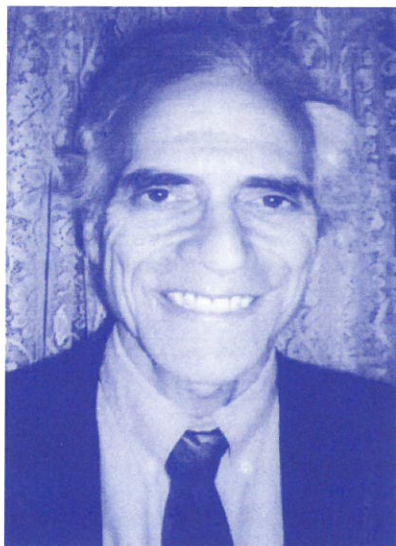


## ARLINGTON SPORTS HALL OF FAME 2008 INDUCTEE - JAY JACOB WIND



**Jay Wind** was born in Chicago, Illinois. He's been an Arlington, Virginia resident for the past 30 years. While a teenager, the sport of distance running blossomed for Jay running to and from his home to his Evanston Township High School. During high school, he was a member of the track squad, as well as later at the University of Wisconsin/Madison where, in 1971, he received a BA in Psychology. Jay earned an MBA in Management Science from the University of Georgia in 1977. Following that, he chose Arlington as his next destination, going to work for a company headquartered in Rosslyn. Both the sporting and non-sporting communities of Arlington agree, it was a great choice. After becoming an Arlington resident, Jay set as a goal: to see Arlington County recognized as one of America's top communities for the sport of

running. To achieve his goal, and as time would allow, he has been thoroughly engaged as a runner, race organizer, race director, coach, charitable fund-raiser, publicist, writer and sports columnist.

Jay is a long-time member of the DC Road Runners Club and the Potomac Valley Track Club. He has competed in thousands of races and his success in running extends from one-milers up to fifty-mile races. His favorite is the marathon (26.2 miles). He has earned All-American status running 3,000 meters (1.86 miles) each year, 1995-2004, and has finished more than 118 marathons, including 20 Boston Marathons and 25 Marine Corps Marathons.

Jay was the coach of Arlington's Hershey Youth Track and Field Program, 1987-1995. In 1996, he co-founded and is the coach for the PVTC's Young Flyers Track & Field Program. He has coached hundreds of adult marathon runners in support of many charities.

Jay served eight years on the Arlington County Park & Recreation Commission, 1991-1998, serving two years as chairman. He helped raise millions of dollars for parks and recreation. He currently serves the Arlington County Civic Federation as its Parks & Recreation chairman.

In recognition of his sports achievements, community service and charitable efforts, Jay has been honored with many prestigious awards. Among them, The Better Sports Club of Arlington's 2003 Arlington Sportsman of the Year Award; PVTC 1999 President's Award and 2001 Ed Barron Memorial Service Award; Seaboard Region United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism Men's Club 2002 "Blue Yarmulke Man of the Year," DC Road Runners Club 1998 Outstanding Male Masters Runner; Arlington County Board and Arlington Sun Gazette's 1997 Arlington "Community Hero" Award; and the Road Runners Club of America's 1994 National Volunteer Award.

Jay is married to Estelle Roth and they have three children, Paul, Julianna, and Rosalie. He is employed by the Arlington based, The Centech Group.