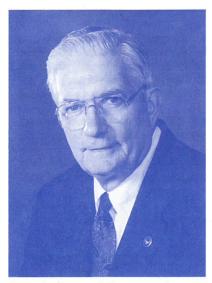
ARLINGTON SPORTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE - JUNE 2, 2004



George C. Towner, Jr., was born in Baltimore, Maryland. In 1957, after graduating from law school, he settled in Arlington, was admitted to the Virginia State Bar and became an associate with the Arlington law firm of Simmonds, Culler, Damm & Coleburn.

George soon became involved in local civic affairs and youth sports. In 1969 he founded the Potomac Kiwanis Soccer Club. From that moment in time sprang the ever increasing popularity of the sport of soccer for countless Arlington County children and adults. George, deservedly, is credited as having been one of the driving forces behind the success of soccer in Arlington and throughout the state of Virginia.

In 1970, George was a key founding member of the highly successful Arlington Soccer

Association, and has served as an officer and board member of the ASA since its establishment. In 1982, he was elected president of the Virginia Youth Soccer Association. And during his three year tenure as president, George developed the VYSA newsletter and oversaw a five-fold registration increase from 6,000 to 31,000 players.

From 1985 through 1997, George took on ever increasing responsibilities as a board member, director and chairman of several regional and national soccer committees for the United States Youth Soccer Association, and for the United States Soccer Federation, the governing body for professional, amateur and youth soccer in the U.S..

George was a member of the National Soccer Coaches Association for 26 years, from 1972 through 1997; and from 1983 through 1990, wrote a weekly soccer column for the *Northern Virginia Sun* newspaper.

George has received several well-deserved honors for his achievements in soccer and for his contributions while serving on Arlington County and Northern Virginia Parks Commissions. Among them, he was selected 1970 "Man of the Year" by the Arlington Inter-Service Club Council. In 1973, he received the Virginia Parks and Recreation Society Award for volunteer services. In 1989, he was selected by the Better Sports Club as Arlington's "Sportsman of the Year." And in 2001, George was inducted into the Virginia/DC Soccer Hall of Fame for meritorious service.

George, a graduate of Princeton University (1952) and Harvard Law School (1957) remains a practicing lawyer in Arlington. In his current practice, as sole proprietor, he deals in civil trial work, wills, trusts, probate and estate planning.

George was a member of the Potomac Kiwanis Club, 1963-83, serving as its president in 1967 and 1975. He is currently a member of the Arlington Kiwanis Club.

In 1957, George married the former Clara Frances Fitzpatrick. They reside in Arlington and have six children, George III, Martin, John, Timothy, Matthew and Elizabeth, and five grandchildren, Bryn, Patrick, Zachary, Zoe and Aileen.