

JERRY WAY

Men's Service - 2008



Jerry is the first Coach inducted into the Hall, primarily for his coaching skills. Born in Philadelphia, he moved to Oklahoma to attend Oklahoma Christian University where he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1981. Jerry began coaching youth bowlers that year at Brunswick Heritage Lanes, moved on to Boulevard Bowl, Hilander Palace and is presently at 66 Bowl. He is a Level II Certified Coach and has coached at every level. Jerry's coaching ability has a positive influence on his students and they continue to return for his help even after having moved up to adult leagues. Jerry's students are some of OKC's finest young bowlers today and many have league averages over 200, receiving honor score awards from USBC. Jerry was voted into "Top 100 Coaches in America" by the Bowlers Journal in 2004. He was chosen by the Oklahoma BPAA to give coaching classes to beginning coaches at various bowling centers. He coaches in the Oklahoma High School Bowling program and gives unselfishly of his time to his students. He is an advocate for the Scholarship Programs available to youth bowlers. Being a highly successful coach doesn't mean you need to be a good bowler, but Jerry is. He has a High Game of 289, High Series of 786 and has maintained a league average the past 5 seasons of 197 to 199. He also has an 11-in-a-Row award and was on the 1st Place Team in last year's OKC Open Championship. For his dedication to Youth Bowlers and his expert Coaching, the Oklahoma City Bowling Council proudly inducts Jerry Way into its Bowling Hall of Fame.