

To Whom It May Concern:

If you played tennis while being raised in Pensacola, you knew of the Caton boys. The Bayview courts were the playground as these boys brought home many red clay-stained socks to their Mother!

Bruce Caton continues his love of tennis of over 50 years through today as a beloved instructor of the game. Not only an instructor, but also as the Director of Roger Scott Tennis Center twice in his career, the latter for 12 years. During his tenure, he was the first Director in the centers 52-year history to make RSTC profitable. Also, RSTC received USTA's Florida Facility of the Year 2007 and 2015 and was named Tennis Industry Facility of the year in 2011. Bruce was vital in the building of RSTC's current clay courts and was always looking for ways to build at least 4 more.

On a personal note, Bruce directed over 150 tournaments throughout his career. Two of his favorites being the Junior Thanksgiving Tournament and the Pink Ribbon Tennis Tournament. Other accomplishments include:

- 1985 Organized and directed the Coca-Cola Junior Invitational which was recognized as the USTA Florida Tournament of the Year
- 2008 Inducted into the Pensacola Sports Hall of Fame
- 2013 USPTA District 1 Professional of the Year
- 2014 Nominated as the Big Brothers, Big Sisters Big Brother of the Year

I truly feel that Bruce Caton is more than worthy of having a court named in his honor. The love he has given to the game, and more importantly the love he has for his Roger Scott Tennis Center and players, makes him the most deserving candidate. I also truly believe that Bruce will continue teaching tennis- the sport that he has so much compassion for- until he physically cannot. And after then, I am sure he will continue to be an ambassador for tennis, as well as for the center. To quote his friend Bob Olliff: "Bruce Caton IS Roger Scott Tennis Center".

Respectfully submitted,

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