

The Bill Cox Service Award Nomination Criteria

Summary about Bill Cox

Bill worked as a Certified Athletic Trainer for MaineGeneral Sports Medicine in Waterville, serving Waterville High School and other area schools beginning in the summer of 1990. Bill established a scholarship for central Maine athletes and tirelessly promoted careers in sports medicine at career days. His passion for the profession of Athletic Training and his thirst for knowledge set him apart. Bill was the consummate professional who earned the respect of not only his peers but of the many students, parents, coaches, administrators, and physicians he came in contact with during his professional career. He was always there for his athletes at Waterville High School. He never worked just the contract, he bled purple. He was always available for them, and went to as many physician appointments as possible with them. He cared about those kids more than most would ever think of doing.

Another thing that we all loved about Bill was his smile, his laugh and his good natured personality. The ability to sit and talk with Bill, and enjoy his company was yet another thing that those who knew him loved about him.

More importantly, Bill was a warm and loving husband to Donna, and father to their three children, Thomas, Benjamin, and Sarah. It was rare to not see Bill walk into an athletic event and not see his family there with him supporting not only the Waterville Purple Panthers, but the profession that Bill was so passionate about.

Purpose

The purpose of the **Bill Cox Service Award** is to recognize a Certified Athletic Trainer or other athletic health care provider who has enhanced athletic health care and made significant contributions to the professional development and advancement of the Athletic Training profession.

Criteria

- Certified Athletic Trainer or other health care provider within the sports medicine field;
- Inspires others through his/her dedication, commitment and work ethic;
- Maintains the highest level of professional service and standards of professional practice;
- Has provided outstanding service to their employer and to the profession of Athletic Training;
- Have, through their actions, helped to create a better environment for their colleagues, athletes/patients, and community.

The Bill Cox Service Award Nomination Form

Please fill in the form below, and attach a 500 to 1000 word description of the athletic trainer's or athletic health care provider's achievements, including:

- Why you think this person stands out from his/her peers.
- Where he or she is currently working and any pertinent academic or work history.
- Testimony and/or other quotes from those he or she works with.

Name of Athletic Trainer or Athletic Health Care Provider: _____

His or Her Phone Number: _____

Your Name: _____

Your Affiliation: _____

Your Phone Number: _____

Your Address: _____

Send nominations to:

MATA Vice President: Name and address information on the MATA website

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DEADLINE: February 15