

Bristol County District Attorney's Office
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On Saturday June 12th and June 19th Bristol County District Attorney Sam Sutter will be serving his community by teaching children to serve; on the tennis court that is. District Attorney Sutter's Free Tennis Clinics will be returning to Attleboro High School, 100 Rathbun Willard Drive, beginning next weekend. District Attorney Sutter's free sports clinics reflect an ongoing multi-pronged effort to reach out to the youth in the community and promote healthy activity to keep kids physically fit and away from crime.

District Attorney Sutter made his dedication to volunteerism known in 2007 when he announced a new volunteer initiative which would increase community outreach in Bristol County while spending less money from the district attorney's budget. Since 2007, roughly 100 staff members of District Attorney Sutter's office have volunteered more than 7,621 after work hours to help out in various ways around Bristol County. The staffers have volunteered their time through mentoring programs, tutoring, coaching, environmental initiatives and various other programs and events. The free sports clinics are just one form in which the initiative has been put into action.

There have been 23 free sports clinics organized by District Attorney Sutter's office in the past three years. These clinics have taken place in Fall River, New Bedford, Taunton and Attleboro and featured tennis, baseball and basketball instruction. The sports clinics have reached an average of 1,000 youth each year.

The Attleboro free tennis clinics will review the basics of the forehand and backhand as District Attorney Sutter demonstrated two years ago in Attleboro, and then progress to serving techniques. Sutter played tennis for Brown University, and played and taught professionally in 10 different countries prior to becoming an attorney. Along with District Attorney Sutter's expertise, he will be assisted by Attleboro High School's boys and girls varsity tennis teams and three local pros. These professional tennis players will include Matt Boland, Tim Flynn and Alex Zaniti. Several members of the District Attorney's Office will also be on hand to lend instruction to participants and help with the event.

There will be refreshments, free giveaways and extra racquets will be available. All levels of ability are welcome to attend. This exciting event was also made possible thanks to the efforts of the Attleboro School Department and the City of Attleboro Recreation Department.

As with past Sutter tennis clinics, there will be three one hour segments for different age groups; seven and eight year olds will take the court from 9-10:00 am, nine and ten year olds will then be instructed from 10-11:00 am and the last group of 11 to 14 year olds will have the court from 11:00 until noon.

To obtain a registration form you may go to the City of Attleboro Recreation Department at 81 Pine Street or visit:
<http://www.bristolda.com/DA/Events.htm>. Walk-ins are also invited to attend. For any questions please contact Brian Rose at 508-997-0711.