



80 Washington Street, Hartford, CT 06106

December 2004 News & Updates

Produced by Chris Pleasanton, Vol. 6, Issue 12

THANK YOU FROM THE COMMUNITY COURT by the Honorable Jorge A. Simón

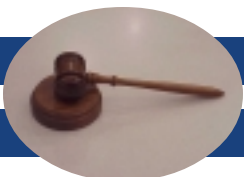
As 2004 comes to a close, we would like to thank many of the local social service providers who work with the Community Court in Hartford to provide the best possible opportunities for our defendants. The Community Court would not be able to provide as many of the opportunities made available through the commitment and assistance of these fine organizations, for which we are very grateful.

First, we would like to thank the City of Hartford's Department of Health and Human Services for providing the foundation of our social services team. Thanks are also due to the Towns of Bloomfield and West Hartford for joining in partnership with our social services team. The state Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services should also be recognized for its continued caring services to those afflicted with mental illness and substance abuse addiction.

Thanks to Paul and Lisa, Inc. and the DMHAS/Women's Diversion Program for their efforts to address the issues that effect women involved in the criminal justice system. Their caring and commitment has helped numerous women begin to lead successful and healthier lives.

In 2004, the Community Court began working with many of the following organizations to provide an even wider array of services. Thanks to Community Health Services for participating in the Young Offenders Program and taking several of our defendants into their AMIR program, YO! Hartford and the School Credit Retrieval Program for providing educational opportunities to many of the young people who come through the Court, and Strive/SAND for the job readiness training they make available.

These are but a few of the many organizations the Community Court is fortunate to work with. While we do not have the space to mention every one, we are very thankful to each for their support and partnership. We look forward to working with you in 2005 and beyond. Thank you all!



NOVEMBER 2004 COMMUNITY COURT STATISTICS

| | |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Hours of Community Service | 1818 |
| Total Number of Cases Processed | 450 |
| Number of Human Services Referrals | 28 |
| Referrals to HAMP (Mediation) | 60 |



ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY GLENN KAAS' 2004 TOY DRIVE A SUCCESS *Over 1,000 toys gathered for Hartford area kids!*

Assistant State's Attorney Glenn Kaas' 2004 Toy Drive was a success, gathering approximately 1,025 toys that were distributed to several Hartford-based organizations that serve kids and families in need.



(Above Left) Community Court Intern Shana Barry who collected incoming toys, (Center) Jill Marie Pasha, daughter of Pam Pasha of the Public Defender's Office, who coordinated the toys by age groups during a day off from school, and (Right) Assistant State's Attorney Glenn Kaas with a few of the over 1,000 toys collected as part of his toy drive.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT HOTLINE 756-7000



PLEASE CALL WITH YOUR PROJECT!

MAPLE AVENUE REVITALIZATION GROUP 2005 MEETING SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

The Maple Avenue Revitalization Group (MARG) has announced its meeting schedule for 2005. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. in the St. Augustine Church Hall at 10 Campfield Avenue in Hartford. The MARG meetings are open to everyone to discuss community matters with their neighbors and community and public safety officials.

For more information on MARG meetings, please call Hyacinth Yennie at 860-296-5543.

MARG 2005 MEETING SCHEDULE

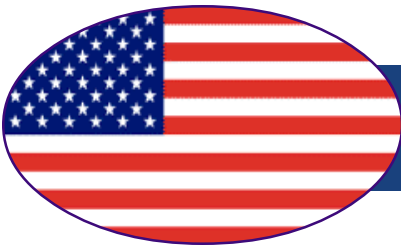
January 13, 2005
February 10, 2005
March 10, 2005
April 14, 2005
May 12, 2005
June 9, 2005
July 14, 2005
August 11, 2005

MINICYCLES & POCKET BIKES BANNED IN HARTFORD *Violators To Be Sent To Community Court*

Under a law recently adopted in Hartford, it is now unlawful to operate a minicycle on any street or sidewalk in the City of Hartford. This ban also extends to any public property including but not limited to school property, playgrounds and parks. Individuals who are cited for violating this law (Sec. 22-120 of the City Code of Hartford) will be sent to the Community Court which may impose a penalty of community service, a fine up to \$99, or a jail sentence up to 25 days.

Minicycles, sometimes called pocket bikes, are miniature versions of motorcycles usually standing approximately two feet high and capable of speeds approaching 40 miles per hour.

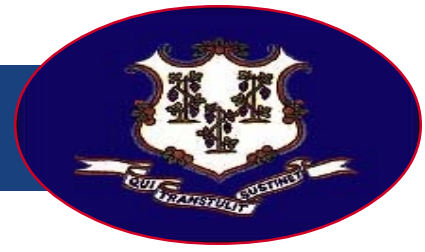
For a copy of this ordinance, please call
Chris Pleasanton at the Community Court
at 756-7015.



Community Service



Community Pride



Community Service Work Sites November 2004

- November 1 Hillside Avenue, Ebony Horse Women Barn
- November 2 Campfield Avenue, Maple Avenue
- November 3 Newton Street
- November 4 Webster Street, Julius Street
King Street, Ellsworth Street
- November 5 FOODSHARE, Mahoney Village
- November 8 Colt Park, Ebony Horse Women Barn
- November 9 Dutch Point, Mahoney Village
- November 10 Flatbush Avenue, Grafton Street,
Sherbrooke Avenue
- November 12 FOODSHARE, Asylum Avenue
- November 15 Congress Street, Morris Street,
Alden Street, Anawan Street,
Ebony Horse Women Barn
- November 16 Nelton Court
- November 17 Granby Street
- November 18 Park Street, Broad Street, Main Street
- November 19 West Raymond Street, Mahoney Village
- November 22 Washington Street, Dutch Point
- November 23 Blue Hills Avenue, Dutch Point,
East & West Morningside Drive
- November 24 Benton Street, New Britain Avenue
- November 29 Ebony Horse Women Barn, Vine Street
- November 30 Garden Street, Wethersfield Avenue

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS
AND
BEST WISHES
FOR A
HEALTHY
AND HAPPY
2005
FROM THE STAFF
OF THE
COMMUNITY
COURT
IN
HARTFORD**

Please feel free to email the court with questions or comments at:
Hartford.Commcourt@jud.state.ct.us
 and visit the State of Connecticut Judicial Branch website at:
www.jud.state.ct.us