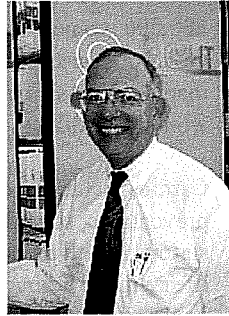


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Highlights from the Health Commissioner - Robert E. Pattison, MPA

June 27, 2005 has been designated as National HIV Testing Day (NHTD). The National Association of People with AIDS and public health agencies across the nation are encouraging people at risk to receive voluntary counseling and testing for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). Although there is still no preventive vaccine nor cure for HIV infection, medical care has improved considerably since the identification of the virus and both longevity and quality of life have been remarkably improved. It is estimated that one in four (25%) people infected with HIV does not know of their positive status. This could be as many as 250,000 men, women and children in the United States that do not know of their HIV infection. HIV testing has become more accessible, easier and less invasive than ever before. It is no longer necessary to draw blood for a test. Free testing is available at several locations in Stark County - Canton City Health Department, Alliance City Health Department and Planned Parenthood of Stark County. Several other organizations offer anonymous or confidential testing for a fee. The earlier an HIV infected person learns of their infection and enters into treatment, the better the results and the chances for a longer and more productive life. Once a person knows he/she is HIV positive, he/she can take preventive measures to assure that the infection is not passed on to their sex or needle sharing partners. The highest risk group continues to be men who have sex with men (MSM). MSM are encouraged to receive an HIV test at least annually. Other high risk groups include injection-drug users and heterosexuals with multiple partners, especially those who exchange sex for money or drugs. Locations for testing can be found on the Internet at <http://www.hivtest.org>. If you have any questions concerning whether or not you need to be tested, or whether or not you are in a high risk group, please contact our Nursing Division at 330-489-3322.



Vital Statistics

Leading Causes of Death - Canton City

Disease	Month	YTD
Heart Disease	058	336
Cancer (All Types)	022	130
Flu/Pneumonia	008	119
Stroke	008	070
Accidents	002	002
Emphysema	002	012
Suicide	000	000
Homicide	000	000
Diabetes	001	003
All Other Causes	047	362

Births and Deaths - Residents and Non-Residents

Births Registered	426	1,862
Deaths Registered	148	1,034
Single Parent Births	159	722
Teenage Births (age 11-19)	048	180

Births and Deaths - City of Canton Residents

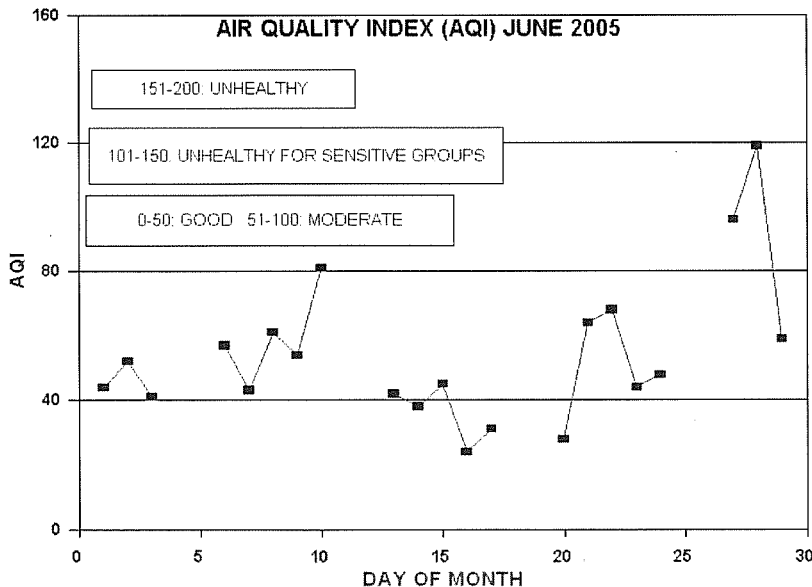
Births Registered	072	470
Deaths Registered	052	340
Single Parent Births	065	320
Teenage Births (age 11-19)	029	103

AIDS Statistics

	Month			1982 - Present		
	HIV Infected*	AIDS Deaths	AIDS Deaths Year-To-Date	HIV Infected	AIDS Cases	AIDS Deaths
Canton City	00	00	02	166	120	087
Stark County**	00	01	04	222	199	147

*Includes HIV, Non-AIDS, and AIDS.

**Includes Alliance, Canton & Massillon



Nursing Statistics

Selected Reportable Diseases

Disease	Month	YTD
Campylobacter	001	004
Chlamydia	064	336
Encephalitis	000	000
Giardia	002	007
Gonorrhea	027	168
Haemophilus Influenza	000	001
Hepatitis A	000	000
Hepatitis B	000	000
Hepatitis C	000	000
Legionella	000	003
Meningitis	000	001
Meningococcal Disease	000	000
Pertussis	001	006
Salmonella	000	002
Shigella	000	000
SIDS	000	000
Syphilis	001	014
Tuberculosis	000	000
Other mycobacterium	000	000
Cryptosporidiosis	001	002

Average Daily Pollen Count

Week	Pollen	Mold
1	200	4,360
2	275	8,080
3	150	8,910
4	065	6,690
5	040	11,290