

**BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
OCTOBER 9, 2007
DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

**DEPARTMENT: Environmental Health
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER:**

Highlights:

- 9/19/07 Ms. Michele Breheim facilitated the printing and distribution of pandemic influenza informational flyers in the Racine Penny Saver. The flyer included educational information regarding the “flu” and how citizens can prepare.
- North Beach and Zoo Beach officially closed on September 4, 2007. Zoo Beach had one closure day. North Beach had three (3) advisory days and Zoo Beach had six (6) advisory days.

Productivity Measures:

Productivity Measures	Monthly	YTD
Housing Inspections (<i>initial and follow-up</i>)	106	750
Lead Inspections (<i>initial</i>)	2	29
Lead Inspections (<i>follow-up</i>)	65	381
Nuisance Animal Investigations	30	589
Animal Bites	14	10*
Restaurant Inspections (<i>initial and follow-up</i>)	78	1,083
Restaurant Pre-Inspections (<i>new food establishments</i>)	5	60
New permits released	6	63
Work Site Health Promotions: Screenings/Workshops	2/1	16/21

Outcome Achievements:

- Two hundred and fifty seven (257) children tested for lead poisoning had blood lead levels between zero and nine ug/dL (0-9 ug/dL).
- Preliminary reports identify that ninety two (92) children were first tested for lead poisoning; three (3) had an elevated blood lead level (>9ug/dL), or 3.3%.
- Preliminary reports identify a total of two hundred and fifty five (255) children as being tested for lead poisoning; twenty (20) had an elevated blood lead level (>9ug/dL), or 7.8%.
- The number of 2007 city dog licenses obtained to date is four thousand two hundred twenty five (4225).
- The number of 2007 cat licenses obtained to date is nine hundred thirty three (933).
- Ninety-six (96) pet fanciers’ permits have been issued in 2007.

**MEETINGS/TRAINING
September 2007**

Date	Staff	Meetings/Training	Purpose
9/5	M. Fernholz	Racine Police Department	Meeting to discuss ongoing issues at Days Inn
9/6	M. Fernholz	Department of Health and Family Service	Conference call for lead poisoning prevention week 2007 – October 22 – 26
9/6	M. Breheim	Wheaton Franciscan All Saints	Attended a meeting with Jeffrey Crogan, Safety Manager for Wheaton Franciscan All Saints, regarding coordination of emergency planning between hospitals and local public health departments.
9/10	D. Herz-Mazius	CORE Wellness Committee	2007 Wellness Program planning for the City of Racine.
9/11	M. Breheim	Wheaton Franciscan All Saints	Health Literacy meeting
9/11	K. Marquez M. Fernholz	State Lead Poisoning Prevention Committee – oversize and advisory committee	Meeting to discuss the states lead elimination plan
9/11	M. Breheim	Racine County Emergency Management	Attended the emergency preparedness forum sponsored by Racine County Emergency Management titled “Staying Safe no Matter the “Whether” – Citizen Preparedness”. Assisted in providing information to attendees regarding how individuals/families/businesses can prepare for biological events.
9/12 9/27	M. Fernholz J. Zlevor	Volunteer Center of Racine Caledonia Mt. Pleasant Health Department	Meeting to discuss plans for 2007 Make a difference day October 27 th , 2007 – Discussion of the pharmaceutical drop-off
9/13	M. Fernholz	Wind Point Board of Health Elmwood Park Board of Health	Attended the board of health meetings for J. Grammer to present quarterly reports
9/14	D. Mazius	Wheaton Franciscan All Saints City County Health Center	Toured the new City County Health Facility
9/17	M. Breheim	Tri County Consortium	Attended the Tri-County Consortium BOD meeting.
9/17	M. Breheim	Tri County Consortium	Attended the Tri-County Consortium Full Membership meeting.
9/17	M. Breheim	Tri County Consortium	Attended the Objectives Committee meeting.
9/18	M. Fernholz	Mayor Becker Finance Department	Meeting to review the 2008 budget

9/19	EH Staff	Architects for City Hall remodeling project	Meeting with the architects to discuss office renovations
9/19	M. Fernholz	Countryside Humane Society	Meeting to discuss animal control issues.
9/19	J. Zlevor	Racine County Human Services	Attended the Elder Abuse committee for Racine County as a representative for the health department
9/19	M. Breheim	Medical Reserve Corp	Attended the Medical Reserve Corp meeting and provided information regarding the local public health department's role in disasters and the Strategic National Stockpile
9/20	M. Fernholz	Racine Loan Board	Review loan applications for City of Racine loan program and discuss housing issues.
9/21	M. Breheim	West Racine Post Office	Presented information to employees of the West Racine Post Office regarding how individuals and families can prepare for emergencies.
9/21	M. Breheim M. Fernholz B. Carlson	Family Practice Center	Provided health department information and orientation to Dr. Justin Woods, medical resident at the Family Practice Center
9/24	M. Breheim	Downtown Racine Post Office	Presented information to employees of the Downtown Racine Post Office regarding how individuals and families can prepare for emergencies
9/26	M. Breheim M. Fernholz	Racine County Emergency Management	Participated in the Ready Racine Tabletop Exercise sponsored by Racine County Emergency Management and represented the City of Racine Health Department in the operations section of the exercise. The scenario was a train derailment similar to the incident that occurred at Weyauwega, WI.
9/27	B. Carlson M. Fernholz K. Marquez	CLEAR – Lead Elimination Committee meeting	Meeting to discuss lead poisoning elimination strategies for the City of Racine. Planning for lead poisoning prevention week.
9/29	M. Breheim	WRJN Radio Station	Talked on WRJN live radio about the Racine County Free Medication Drop Off that is being conducted in collaboration with Make a Difference Day