Falls Prevention Coalition Meeting – April 29, 2015

Present: Thiel, Branson, Betz, Schultz, Stapleton, Brose, Straker, 3 P.T. students, Kunze, Albrecht, Wilhelm, Holmes, Murphy, White

Completed final revisions to the La Crosse County Falls Prevention Resource Guide.

\$5,000 contribution from the following will allow us to print at least 5,000 copies:

Tri-State Ambulance
ResCare Homecare, Bright Star Care
La Crosse County Aging Unit
Coulee Region Pharmacy Association
Wisconsin Physical Therapy Association

All present burst out with hugs, high fives, hallelujahs, fist-bumps, and tears of joy and jubilation.

Next meeting: Wed., May 27, 2015

1:01 pm in Room 2076 of the Health Science Center

1300 Badger St., La Crosse

AGENDA:

- 1. Who, How, Where to distribute Resource Guides
- 2. Plan for Falls Prevention Awareness Week
- 3. Plans to distribute "How to Prevent Fires, How to Prevent Falls" flyer

Possible Topics:

- Talk to EMTs about "lift assists"
- Personal Emergency Response Systems
- Show & Tell of assistive devices
- How recreational drugs and alcohol contribute to falls
- Falls prevention information for non-English speaking Seniors
- Foot Care, Foot Wear, and Falls
- Low Vision and Balance
- Medication and Balance