Welcome!

"Each year, one in every three adults age 65 and older falls. Falls can lead to injuries such as hip fractures and head traumas, and can even increase the risk of early death.

Fortunately, falls are largely preventable."

~Centers for Disease Control

Falls Prevention Awareness Week is an opportunity to learn how to prevent falls. Please attend as many sessions as you would like and don't miss out on the **resource night** on Wednesday, September 24. See back panel for details.

All events free of charge

Events held at: La Crosse Goodwill— Mississippi Room 3954 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, WI 54601

**Note: Fall Risk Assessments will be held at: UW-La Crosse Health Science Center 1300 Badger St., La Crosse, WI 54601 Go up to third floor. Follow signs.

Wednesday, Sept. 24

Fall Prevention Resource Night

5p-7p Location: Black River Beach Neighborhood Community Center, 1433 Rose St. La Crosse, WI 54601

Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to learn all about community resources on fall prevention. Topics include:

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55 Alive/ AARP
ADRC
Blood Pressure Checks/ Screening
Cass St. Pharmacy
Getting Up From A Fall Safely
Gundersen Health System
Home Safety/Modification
Independent Living Resources
La Crosse County Aging Unit
La Crosse County Falls Prevention
Coalition
La Crosse Fire Department

Safe Footwear Stepping On Strength & Balance Video Strong Seniors Tri-State Ambulance Using Assistive Devices YMCA Programs and Classes

Win door prizes!

Refreshments!

Free handouts!



Preventing falls one step at a time

Falls Prevention Awareness Week

Monday, September 22, 2014

Tuesday, September 23

Wednesday, September 24

Sponsored By:

La Crosse County Falls Prevention Coalition

For more information: lacrossestopfalls.org (608) 785-9710

Monday, Sept. 22

9-10a Fall Risk Assessments

John Greany, PhD, PT Individual assessment tests your fall risk. Arrive anytime between 9 and 10am, allow 15 minutes.

10-11a Home Safety

Louise Albrecht, RN and Carla Lundeen, RN Discover helpful hints for home safety.

11:15a-12:45p Stepping On Overview

Gundersen Health System
Learn to step outside your home with
confidence and become more aware of fall
hazards.

1:45-2:45p I've Fallen and I CAN Get Up

Diane Brose, PT, Crystal Tholen Learn how to stay calm and relaxed during a fall, and learn the six steps to get back up safely. Proper adjustments of cane and walkers also discussed.

3-4p Nutrition and Falls

Jennifer Loging, RD, CD, CLC Come learn how to improve your eating habits by incorporating necessary nutrients to help prevent falls.

The average fall costs upwards of \$8,000.

National Prevention Day Tuesday, Sept. 23

9-10a Be Stronger to Live Well Longer

Bernice Olson-Pollack, Certified Personal Trainer

Strength training builds bone and muscle to help create more energy and better balance.

10:15-11:15a Medication and Falls

Cass Street Pharmacy

Learn how to take your medications safely and why this is important in preventing falls.

12-1p Fall Risk Assessments*

John Greany, PhD, PT

1- 2p Home Safety*

falls.

Louise Albrecht, RN and Carla Lundeen, RN

2:15-3:15p Selecting Safe Shoes

Grand Bluff Running
Wearing correct footwear can help prevent

3:30-4:30p Vision and Falls

Linda Palmer, Vision Rehabilitation Specialist

Eye disease and vision problems can increase the risk of falls. Learn how to reduce these risks.

1 in 3 people aged 65 and over fall each year.

* Indicates repeat of previous session and location

Wednesday, Sept. 24

9-10a Fall Risk Assessments* John Greany, PhD, PT

9:30-10:30a The Fear of Falling, Let's Talk

Gwyneth Straker, PT
Learn techniques, resources and options to overcome the fear of falling and how to effectively communicate with your healthcare provider to keep you independent.

11a-12p I've Fallen and I CAN Get Up*

Diane Brose, PT, Crystal Tholen

1-2p Medications and Falls*

Cass Street Pharmacy

2:15-3p Assistive Devices

Independent Living Resources Learn about assistive devices to help independence and enhance activities of daily living.

> Don't forget about resource night tonight, Wednesday! (September 24th) Check out the back panel for details!

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