TENNESSEE PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  

REPORT FOR THE MEMBERSHIP  

___ Spring Report  
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Committee/Office: __Nashville District Chair________________ Date of Meeting:  
9/18/2014__________

Report of Activities/Service Performed:

* New Officers elected May 2014:  
  Secretary - Michael Klomp  
  Treasurer - Samantha Hurr  
  Both are terrific additions to our district leadership team!!

* District Meeting 9/9/2014 at Project Cure Warehouse.  
  * Speakers were Dr. Christie from the Southern Joint Institute and Dr. Amador, an Orthopedic Fellow from Vera Cruz, Mexico. Programming centered around differences in medical care and medical training in Mexico vs the United States and the efforts and challenges facing those wanting to make a difference in lives there.  
  * Nashville District allotted funds to purchase basic medical and hygiene items to fill bags at this meeting intended for the “Kits for Kids” program sponsored by Project Cure.

  * Produced by the TN Dept of Health, Injury Prevention Program. Variety of professionals who care for Seniors were invited to attend. Programing during this day-long session included review of epidemiology of falls, descriptions of falls initiatives and evidence-based programs across the country, with presentations of local professionals regarding statewide falls initiatives in Tennessee. A Tennessee Falls Prevention Coalition is forming as a result of this first-time conference.

* This just in! Home Safety Event at Lowe’s, Franklin, TN, September 19, 2014.  
  * Nashville District invited to participate in this Falls Awareness Month event!! (Pat Fleming and Denise Bellardo will be participating by performing mini-assessments of falls risk.) It is felt this could be an annual event that could be built upon, perhaps involving more PT/PTA’s and PT/PTA students.

“Stepping On” Training (July 2014)  
Multifaceted falls prevention program endorsed by the CDC that the state of Tennessee has purchased. Tennessee will be utilizing this program as it attempts to decrease incidence of falls across the state — Training began this summer with first class of 15 professionals trained in the program.
Goals Achieved in Strategic Plan:

Participation in one service project as a District

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