New Automatic Door Opener Added to Allied Health

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Although it's a need that has been recognized for many years, an automatic door opener on the Pierre Henry Allied Health Building was just not feasible to include in the yearly budget at Colby Community College.

The Pierre Henry Allied Health Building houses the Physical Therapist Assistant, Practical Nursing, Associate Degree Nursing and Dental Hygienist programs. This year, the four student groups decided to work together on one large project to add automatic door openers to the entrance on the north side of the facility. In addition to the student-raised funds this year, two couples provided monetary support to achieve the approximately \$5,500 cost of the opener.

"Sheila and Richard Krannawitter and Shelly and Rod Rodenbeck contributed to the project," said physical therapist assistant program director Pat Erickson. "Sheila comes to the building to work with our students and the automatic doors will be very helpful."

Each year the physical therapist assistant class organization, the dental hygiene students, the Council of Associate Degree Nursing Students and the Council of Practical Nursing Students raise money and volunteer for community events. The director of the nursing program is Ruth Wolfram. Bobette Maier is the director of the dental hygiene program.

A plaque has been placed in the north entrance of the building to recognize everyone who helped with this project.