May 19, 2011

Dear Friends and Us TOO Support Group/Chapter Leaders,

I am so pleased that we are able to bring to you the June edition of the monthly HotSheet. As you may recall, I ended last month’s letter by encouraging you to become a Consumer Reviewer for the Department of Defense Prostate Cancer Research Program. I have just learned we have a bit more time as the application deadline date has been extended to the end of May. If interested, please let me know as soon as possible.

In early June, the American Society of Clinical Oncology will bring to Chicago 30,000 cancer specialists and will be the forum for thousands of clinical abstracts. I am sure we will be gathering some of the most interesting for the next several editions of the HotSheet. Speaking of ASCO, look soon for information from this office on the awareness campaign, ON THE LINE which involves ASCO, sanofi-aventis, Amgen, EDGE Health and teammates Us TOO, PCER, ONS and ZERO-the Project to End Prostate Cancer.

As you may have noticed, information on the July 4-10, 2011 John Deere Classic and the Birdies for Charity Fundraiser was included in our last mailing, please keep that in mind over the next few weeks and months. We sure would like to see more involvement this year. Donation brochure located at www.birdiesforcharity.com.

As we look further ahead, our Advisory Panel for Us TOO’s August 19-20, 2011 Us TOO University Conference and staff continue to move forward with agenda planning, you may find this helpful.

Who should attend: Us TOO Chapter Leaders and other prostate cancer support group leaders, plus other key representatives from their leadership councils, such as co-leader, advocacy leader, women/partners group leader, event manager(s), or community outreach volunteer. Those interested in starting a support group, creating an Us TOO fundraising event in their community, or activating survivors and their families for increased prostate cancer awareness and advocacy nationally and/or locally.

Meeting purpose & goals: To gather a group of people who are or want to be more proactive and engaged with Us TOO International, where we 1) share and hear the latest information related to prostate cancer, 2) learn about what new collaborations, resources and projects are available, 3) make time for facilitated discussion on people’s own group needs and activities and 4) hear about news and developments from the Us TOO home office on how we can team for success.

Where: Hyatt Regency O’Hare Hotel Chicago, Illinois, free shuttle service from airport to hotel

Start time: Friday Breakfast Buffet, 7:30AM, End time: Saturday 3:30PM

Scholarships: Opportunities available.

Finally, do not forget that PCRI’s Annual Prostate Cancer Conference is to be held September 9-11, 2011 at the Westin Los Angeles Airport Hotel.

Thanks,

Thomas N. Kirk, President and CEO