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Dear Friends of Us TOO and Chapter/Support Group Leaders,

Enclosed is the latest edition of the *HotSheet*—the May 2013 edition. I want to start by saying I am saddened to note that late last week I heard Jan Manarite's husband Dominic died after his 13 year battle with metastatic prostate cancer; a FL memorial service is planned for May 4th.

Information is available at:

www.horizonfunerals.com/fh/obituaries/obituary.cfm?o_id=2067771&fh_id=13241. I know Jan, and met Dominic at their home. He and Jan fought hard and I am sure Jan would love your best wishes; she is a special part of our prostate cancer family. His passing is another example of the importance of our cause and the reason we cannot let up.

In that vein, we have placed the announcement in the *HotSheet* of the *Show Your Stripes for Prostate Cancer Awareness Campaign* launched last week. The campaign features a public service announcement featuring legendary NASCAR driver and prostate cancer survivor, Richard Petty as well as Artie Shelton, MD to focus on military veterans. The campaign also gives visitors to the site an opportunity to trigger a donation to Us TOO, Men's Health Network or Vietnam Veteran of America. Please inform people about the campaign at www.myprostatecancerroadmap.com.

I also wanted to mention that our Us TOO leader, Bill Palos has again secured support for Us TOO during the *Birdies for Charity* event scheduled with the John Deere Classic Golf Tournament held July 8-14. You can help raise much needed money by making a straight donation or donating for each birdie and possibly win great prizes by submitting a pledge card by July 12th. Visit www.birdiesforcharity.com and look for Us TOO and our number 1391.

I had also hoped to run an announcement of two clinical trials in this *HotSheet*, but space demands were heavy, so let me share a few basics here. For more information please contact Dr. Lisa Wu at 212-824-7805 or lisa.wu@mssm.edu.

STUDY ONE: Prostate Cancer Survivors Study

Have you had treatment for localized prostate cancer? If so, you may be eligible to join a National Cancer Institute funded study to learn more about changes to daily life functioning following prostate cancer treatment. This study involves a brief screening to determine eligibility, and then an interview and an assessment of how you are doing now. The appointment will last approximately 2 to 2.5 hours, and may be completed from home or at Mount Sinai. You will be compensated for your time. This study is funded by the National Cancer Institute and has been approved by the Mount Sinai Institutional Review Board (GCO#11-0513 approved through 09/22/13).

STUDY TWO: Prostate Cancer Hormone Therapy Study

Have you received hormone therapy treatment for prostate cancer? If so, you may be eligible to join an American Cancer Society funded study to test a program designed to help people with changes to memory, thinking and concentration following hormone therapy for treatment of prostate cancer. This study is done completely over the phone and internet and involves a brief screening to determine eligibility, 3 assessments/interviews, and 8 weeks of home-based computer use. This study is approved by the Mount Sinai Institutional Review Board (GCO# 10-1352 approved through 04/06/2014)

I hope you enjoy the *HotSheet* and I appreciate all you are doing out there to move forward our cause.

My best to you all,

T. N. Kirk, President & CEO



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