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

Enclosed is the latest edition of the *HotSheet*—[August 2013](#).

As I write this I am gearing up for our Us TOO University Town Hall meeting later this week in Austin, which includes a Pints for Prostates awareness event. I also can't help thinking we will soon be addressing Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. Now is the time to prepare and plan for September, which starts out with the 2013 Prostate Cancer Conference in Los Angeles on September 6th-8th produced by PCRI, the Prostate Cancer Research Institute. Us TOO will be coordinating interested volunteer group leaders to lead groups during the conference. I see group rates on the hotel are available until August 14th and regular registration fees stand until September 5th. You can register at www.PCRI.org. I know Us TOO will be well represented by several of our board members including Bill Seidel and Vice Chairman, Dave Houchens.

I am pleased to say I will be in Greenville, SC for the celebration of the Harvey Floyd Chapter's 20th year anniversary on September 9th. On Sunday the 15th I will be in Chicago's Lincoln Park for the 9th Annual SEA Blue Walk/Run to celebrate Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. The event is off to an outstanding launch so far and we are setting new records. You can find information and register on the Us TOO website at www.ustoo.org. Please support us in our efforts to assure education and support as both Wellness Place and Us TOO benefit from this event. You can even support us as a virtual attendee. This year Steve Sanders, a prostate cancer warrior and WGN TV Channel 9 mid-day show co-anchor, will again be our honorary emcee.

A few days later, I hope to see many of you in Washington, DC again this year for the Public Policy Summit. On September 17th through the 19th ZERO will again be conducting this gathering. As they say on their website:

The goal of the Summit is to raise awareness about prostate cancer within our federal government, our State legislatures and our communities to stop future generations from suffering from the disease and ease the pain for families dealing with it today.

The event includes a Congressional reception; discussions with legislators and legislative staff, key leaders making decisions about research, early diagnosis and treatment of prostate cancer; and networking and idea sharing opportunities with other prostate cancer advocates from around the country.

I personally believe that being aware and active on public policy issues are essential and this gathering is an important forum. ZERO's website has information at <http://zerocancer.org/>. I also want to mention the 9th Annual African American Prostate Cancer Disparity Summit sponsored by PHEN, the Prostate Health Network, which will also take place in Washington, DC on September 19th through the 20th. You can find information at <http://prostatehealthed.org/>.

I hope you enjoy the August *HotSheet* and find the time to gear up for September. I appreciate all you are doing out there to move our cause forward.

My best to you all,



T. N. Kirk, President & CEO



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