



CHAPTER LEADER NEWS

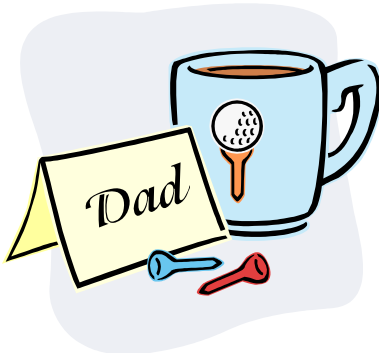
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Local Chapter News!

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A SPECIAL HAPPY FATHER'S
DAY GREETING TO ALL OUR
CHAPTER LEADERS!

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American Cancer Society Awards Community Investment Grant to US TOO Greenville SC Chapter, in the amount of \$6,400. Recognizing the sense of urgency to save lives from prostate cancer, the Us TOO Greenville chapter will use the awarded funds to develop and implement the African American Men and Prostate initiative (AAMAP). For information on this program, contact chapter leader Bob Milks at bgmilks@charter.net.

Special thanks to Bill Eickelburg! Bill recently retired from his Volunteer Regional Director position to care for his own health. We wish Bill all the best and appreciate all the effort he dedicated to helping the Wisconsin chapters. Rex Zeiger, Regional Director from AZ, reminds us that "Bill's ultimate desire was to aid his fellow-man."

Us TOO Hillman Cancer Center Chapter, Pittsburgh, PA members staffed an Us TOO informational table at the March 24th American Cancer Society's 19th Annual Survivor's Day Conference, Faith and Humor. There were close to 400 people in attendance. From left to right, this is Karen Kaighin, Barry Shields and Bob Bowyer who all did an excellent job of engaging people in conversation and getting the Us TOO message out. Several men expressed interest in attending a chapter meeting!

Free Telephone Education Workshops

June 29th *Living with Advanced Prostate Cancer*: Update from the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO), 1:30 -2:30 pm Eastern.

September 19th *Caring for Your Bones When You Have Prostate Cancer*, 1:30 - 2:30 pm Eastern.

For more information contact 1-800-813-4673 or visit the Cancer Care website at www.cancercare.org

BE SURE TO VISIT THE CHAPTER LEADER RESOURCE SECTION OF THE US TOO WEBSITE ! WE ARE CONSTANTLY ADDING NEW RESOURCES TO BETTER SERVE OUR CHAPTERS!



Above, Volunteer Regional Director, Roland Young, visits with the leaders of the Us TOO Virgin Islands Chapter. Roland was a featured speaker at the chapter's meeting. This new chapter is off to a great start.

Sneakers@Work : Special Thanks

We would like to thank all of the Us TOO International Chapters who will be participating in Sneakers@Work Day on Friday, June 15th, 2007:

Us TOO Chapter - Mobile, Alabama
 Us TOO Anchorage Chapter - Anchorage, Alaska
 Sun Lakes Us TOO Chapter - Chandler, Arizona
 Sun City West Us TOO Chapter - Sun City West, Arizona
 Silicon Valley Us TOO Chapter - Mountain View, California
 Us TOO Wellington Regional Medical Center Chapter - West Palm Beach, Florida
 Us TOO Greater Quad Cities Prostate Cancer Support Group - Moline, Illinois
 Wichita, Kansas Chapter - Wichita, Kansas
 Pioneer Valley Prostate Cancer Support Group - Sunderland, Massachusetts
 Us TOO Traverse City, Michigan Chapter - Traverse City, Michigan
 Us TOO Royal Oak, Michigan Chapter - Royal Oak, Michigan
 Us TOO New Prague–Queen of Peace - New Prague, Minnesota
 Us TOO St. Cloud - St. Cloud, Minnesota
 Us TOO Mather Hospital Chapter - Port Jefferson, New York
 Newburg, New York Us TOO Chapter - Newburgh, New York
 Us TOO Kenny Ellenburg Chapter of Stanley County - Albermarle, North Carolina
 Us TOO (Presbyterian) Charlotte - Charlotte, North Carolina
 Us TOO Prostate Cancer Support Group of Wake County - Raleigh, North Carolina
 Wilmington Prostate Cancer Support Group - Wilmington, North Carolina
 Us TOO Bryn Mawr Hospital - Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania
 Orangeburg Us TOO - Orangeburg, South Carolina
 Us TOO Midland Prostate Cancer Support Group - Columbia, South Carolina
 Us T OO Charleston, South Carolina Chapter - Charleston, South Carolina
 Us TOO Harvey Floyd Chapter - Greenville, South Carolina
 Us TOO Gibbs Regional Cancer Center - Greenville, South Carolina
 Spartanburg, Us TOO - Spartanburg, South Carolina
 Us TOO McAllen - McAllen, Texas
 Us TOO St. Thomas U.S. Virgin Islands - St. Thomas, Virgin Islands
 Us TOO INOVA Alexandria Hospital - Alexandria, Virginia
 Us TOO Westminster-Potomac - Lake Ridge, Virginia
 Fairfax, Virginia Chapter of Us TOO - Fairfax, Virginia
 Olympia Us TOO Chapter - Olympia, Washington
 Seattle Us TOO Chapter - Seattle, Washington
 Tacoma Us TOO Prostate Cancer Support Group - Tacoma, Washington
 Us TOO Zablocki VA Center - Milwaukee, Wisconsin



Us TOO University Proud to Announce Second Class of Graduates!



“Us TOO U2” - Us TOO University in Austin, Texas, co-hosted by Us TOO South Austin Chapter, a grand success! Special thanks to Chapter Leader Mike Jones.

Nearly fifty motivated support group leaders gathered in Austin, Texas on May-11-12 for a two-day educational event called **Us TOO University**. This was the second event of its kind further signifying Us TOO International's unwavering commitment to the volunteer chapter leaders,

those on the front line of prostate cancer. In attendance were men and women, young and young-at-heart, medical professionals, and lay people too.

In keeping with Us TOO University's motto, **Learn. Laugh. Lead.**, participants were provided with timely and useful information, they had a terrific time, and returned home better prepared to confidently **lead**. Us TOO University was designed to equip Us TOO's support group network for today and the future. The food was terrific, the fellowship created fast and firm friendships, and the information was invaluable.

This “Us TOO U” event was designed for men and women, young and young-at-heart, medical professionals, and lay people too. The weekend featured two events in one:

Friday: On Friday evening there was a community-wide symposium drawing nearly two hundred people. This event called **Living Well with Prostate Cancer**, featured vendor exhibits, great food, music, and eleven speakers covering a variety of topics.

Saturday: The volunteer training workshop held on Saturday featured a wide variety of topics to give support group leaders the tools and information to move confidently and successfully into the future. The curriculum featured nine diverse sessions taught by staff, Board members, regional directors and outside professionals.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE NEXT Us TOO UNIVERSITY EVENT!

November 2-3, 2007

Chicago, Illinois.

Watch your email/mail for further details later this summer.

Chapter leaders, if you have not already attended, be sure to come to Chicago. If you have attended Us TOO University, be sure to bring or send your future chapter leaders to Chicago. This is the best tool available today for training current and future leaders.

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Bidding for
Health
and Hope



View the 67 items currently in the auction catalog now at www.ustoo.org/auction. Donate new items, too! Bidding is open until Friday, June 29th at 11:00 pm Central. Please help us help prostate cancer patients and their families! Proceeds fund Us TOO International's FREE education materials, programs & peer support services. For questions, please contact Dan Reed at 800-808-7866 or dan@ustoo.org



Helpful Tips for Chapter Leaders

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Check out these one - two page hand-outs designed to help chapter leaders be more effective meeting managers! These helpful tips were developed by current chapter leaders to share with you as you strive to build and support your chapter activities. All TIPS topics are available for downloading on the Us TOO website (ustoo.org) in the Chapter Leader Resources section. Visit the Resource section often as we are constantly adding new resources to better serve you!

CALL TO ACTION!

PLEASE HELP EXPAND THE TREATMENT CHOICES AVAILABLE FOR MEN WITH ADVANCED CANCER. VISIT WWW.PROVENGENOW.ORG FOR INFORMATION ON THIS NEW TREATMENT OPTION THAT IS YET TO BE APPROVED BY THE FDA AND HOW YOU CAN HELP MEN GAIN ACCESS!