



# Friends & SLU Liver Center

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My first encounter with the Friends of the SLU Liver Center was purely social. Almost two years I attended the spring event held at the Busch Mansion at Grants Farm.

At the time, what little I knew of the organization (that it helped fund research, treatment and education for liver disease) came from Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Bacon, whom my wife, Lisa, and I had met through a mutual friend.

Lisa and I have been involved with many fine charities through the years, and from outward appearances, this was much like the others. However, when later I was asked to consider joining their Board, and took a closer look at the organization, what I found was indeed impressive.

First and foremost, this was an organization with very enthusiastic and committed Board members, volunteers and staff. Second, they are efficiently run, with a very low administrative expense level. Third, it is regionally focused and supports cutting edge research through St. Louis University. Also, as we looked more closely at the operation, I was astounded to find how a dollar invested in the Friends organization had consistently returned at least 17x as much in Federal Research Grants to St. Louis based physicians at the SLU Liver Center. And finally, it was impressive to see how their research had paid such dividends in new drugs, treatment and programs for education and prevention of liver diseases.

From my perspective, this was an organization that any volunteer, supporter or Board member could be proud of, and one in which I was happy to invest my time and efforts. Now, as the new Board President, my efforts will focus on structuring our organization for growth, recruiting more support at both the Board and volunteer levels, and improving it's visibility as an organization that all of St. Louis can be proud of.



Vic Turvey, President  
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## SHARE YOUR STORY WITH YOUR EMAIL FRIENDS AND FAMILY AND CREATE AN ONLINE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN WITH HUGE IMPACT!

You can make a contribution to the research at the Saint Louis University Liver Center just by creating an online fundraising campaign and sharing your story with friends and family on our new website [www.friendsoftheslulc.org](http://www.friendsoftheslulc.org) *It's easy to do!* Just go to the "Sponsor a Friend" tab and click on "Create your own fundraising campaign". You'll be guided through a user friendly process to log on (your login is your email address) and enter a password. Don't worry if you forget the password, with one quick click, our system will send you an email with your password. Once logged in, you may write your story and upload a picture. When finished, be sure to upload the picture then click submit and your story is sent to our administrator for approval and loading on the Friends website. Once this is complete, you'll receive an email letting you know it's time to email your friends and family to invite them to read your story and make a donation to research in your honor through our secure online payment process. If you need help putting your story together, entering it online, or would just like some helpful hints to get started with your fundraising campaign, please contact Leisa at the Friends office 314-576-3078 or email at [lduff@friendsoftheslulc.org](mailto:lduff@friendsoftheslulc.org).

*You can make an impact to research and the awareness of liver disease by sharing your story!*



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**  
Denim & Diamonds, 2008  
Will be held Saturday,  
September 20, 2008  
For sponsorship opportunities or  
reservations, please call  
314-576-3078



**Bonnie Harris**  
2007 Volunteer Award Recipient

**VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHT**

There are many things that go on behind the scenes which make an event successful.— especially something the size of our annual Denim & Diamonds Weekend!  
**Bonnie Harris** has been involved in most all of the planning steps—everything from stuffing invitations, recruiting and directing volunteers, soliciting donations from the com-

munity, heading our checkout for the gala to her most important role for the past three years which is organizing and staffing our Live and Silent Auction areas.  
We want to extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to Bonnie for the endless volunteer hours she has served in making each of our Denim & Diamonds events a success!

*Bonnie, you are certainly a "Friend" of the Saint Louis University Liver Center!*



**AGARWAL PLAQUE DEDICATION**

A plaque dedication was held on April 18th at the Edward A. Doisy Research Center to honor a past generous donation made to the Friends from the Agarwal Family in memory of Ashok K. Agarwal M.D., F.A.C.C. The Agarwal family donation supports research in early diagnosis of hepatocellular carcinoma for the benefit of all patients with chronic liver disease. Many friends, family, Friends Board members, SLU representatives, SLULC physicians and researchers were on hand at the dedication to pay tribute to the Agarwal Family for their generous dona-

tion. In a statement of thanks, Dr. Adrian M. Di Bisceglie said "Liver cancer is rising at the greatest rate in the US. One of our great needs in relation to liver cancer is finding how to diagnose it at an early stage when it is cureable."



From left, Dr's Bruce R. Bacon, Anu Agarwal and Adrian M. Di Bisceglie

*A note from Dr. Anu Agarwal:*

Dear Friends,  
I would like to thank all for the recognition in honor of the memory of my husband, Ashok. It was a special occasion and I really appreciate the gesture. My family is deeply appreciative of the Friends organization and the outstanding work that everyone in the Liver Center do every day. I have no doubt that Ashok would have been very proud that we were able to contribute to your efforts in support of an early diagnosis of liver cancer. The day when we can find and release a method that would provide each and every person with liver disease a chance at an early diagnosis and for a curative treatment, I would be one of the happiest persons.  
I am confident that the SLU Liver Center is poised to make this happen. Thanks for your support and friendship.



From left, Prmila Mital, Nikhil Agarwal, Dr. Harish Mital, Pooja Agarwal, Dr. Raj Chadaga, Sachin Agarwal, Dr. Anu Agarwal

**HOW CAN YOU HELP THE FRIENDS OF THE SLU LIVER CENTER? BECOME A SPONSOR! BECOME A VOLUNTEER!**

Whether you are interested in becoming a sponsor or want to answer phones, stuff envelopes or be a leader and serve on a planning committee, we have volunteer opportunities available. You may volunteer as an individual or bring a group of friends. Please complete and fax this form to 314-576-3654 or mail to the Friends office. A representative will contact you.

- Yes, I am interested in learning more about sponsorship opportunities! Please contact me with more information.
- Yes, I am interested in volunteering! Please contact me with more information.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
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 City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Best way to reach you \_\_\_\_\_  
 Times you are available to volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank You!*

# You're Invited...

## A Great Gatsby 1920's Lawn Party!

Cocktails, gourmet food, live entertainment,  
tours of the Mansion, games and a live auction!

All proceeds benefit the  
Friends of the Saint Louis University  
Liver Center

For information or to make reservations  
call the Friends office at 314-576-3078

Space is limited!

Make reservations by Friday, May 23, 2008

Ticket price: \$250 or a table of 8 for \$1750



May 31, 2008  
6:00pm to 9:00pm  
Grant's Farm  
10501 Gravois Road  
St. Louis, MO 63123

There are many events happening around St. Louis, but nowhere else can you play Badminton, Croquette and Bocce Ball with friends on a property as beautiful as Grants Farm while supporting a great cause! This year will be the Friends 3rd annual Lawn Party and we've added a 1920's Great Gatsby theme! We couldn't find a more beautiful setting! Holly Morris is our Honorary Chair and we look forward to Holly's involvement. There will be a live auction and tours of the mansion will run throughout the evening. Guests may have a picture taken with one of the world famous Anheuser Busch Clydesdales—all guests will receive a 5x7 after the event as a Thank You for supporting the Friends. We hope to see you there!

*Special Thanks to artist, Jackie Bauer for creating our Gatsby invitation insert and event poster!*

*Just a few faces in the crowd last year...*



## 17 TO 1 RETURN ON INVESTMENT THANKS TO YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS!

The Saint Louis University Liver Center continues to be a viable entity with over 40 members, regular conferences and a funding source for clinical and basic investigation within the University. Both clinical and basic research activities are active. The GI/Hepatology Clinical Studies Unit sees between 125 and 130 clinical research patients each month for ongoing research protocols and in FY '07 and '08, we had over 40 active clinical industry funded protocols. Members of this multidisciplinary Liver Center were either principal investiga-

tor or co-investigator on 39 NIH, VA or Foundation grants in FY '07 and '08. Over five years of fundraising events, The Friends of the Saint Louis University Liver Center organization has raised \$1.6 million to support research and education for the Saint Louis University Liver Center. A total of eleven Liver Center grants have been awarded over the past three years through a formal application process. These directed research grants were established to provide bridge funding to Liver Center investigators while they work

toward developing their projects, gathering preliminary data allowing them to submit NIH grant applications and publish their results. The 11 grants that were awarded total \$360,000. These bridge funds generated seven NIH, VA and foundation awards totaling \$5,543,550, **which represents more than a 17 fold return on investment.** More than 120 original papers, chapters, reviews and editorials were published by Liver Center members in FY07-08.

### DR. DI BISCEGLIE'S FINDINGS FROM KYOTO

Dr. Adrian M. Di Bisceglie was in Kyoto recently for the Japan-U.S. Hepatitis Panel, a coalition that was formed by Lyndon Johnson back in the '70s. Dr. Di Bisceglie's been on the panel since 2004. American and Japanese scientists exchange information about the disease, how we are treating it, etc.

This is an interesting story -- the Japanese have high rates of hepatitis B and C, much like Americans. But the strange thing is that they have much higher rates of liver cancer, which results from hepatitis itself. Why?

Dr. Di Bisceglie theorizes that we're 10 years behind the Japanese in terms of the disease. Hepatitis found its way into Japan back in the '50s, when blood transfusions resulting from the war were at an all-time high and doctors were still using surgical approaches to treat tuberculosis, which was rampant. The United States didn't start

to see an outbreak until the '60s, so he worries it's only a matter of time before we start seeing dangerously high liver cancer rates in our country.

#### Some other interesting things:

1. We've all heard of hepatitis A-D. But *hepatitis E* is a remarkably bad problem in Japan -- so-called "zoonosis," meaning the disease is transmittable from animal to human. People eating wild boar or deer, while not much of a delicacy here, happens there, spreading the disease quickly and insidiously.
2. The Japanese have much better responses to interferon, one of the primary drugs used to treat hepatitis, than American patients.
3. The West is leading the way with dozens of new medications, and they're finally making their way to Japan.
4. Japan has an extremely developed medical system, unlike its Asian neighbors. But the threat of hepatitis looms in China, Vietnam, Malaysia,

Korea and India -- and so does HIV. There is a considerable overlap between the drugs, with many patients suffering from both. Di Bisceglie says there is talk to open the panel to more Asian nations. (And sub-saharan African is a whole other story.)

Saint Louis University Liver Center is internationally renowned, but if we're going to have to make more headway against the possibility of liver cancer, we need to do more studies. Right now Dr. Bacon and Dr. Di Bisceglie are overseeing almost 30 studies exclusively dealing with hepatitis. Drug companies are getting the message that this is a major problem.



Adrian M. Di Bisceglie, M.D.

### Some facts we want you to know...

- The Saint Louis University Liver Center enjoys worldwide recognition as a *center of excellence*.
- Hepatitis C affects 5 million people in the U.S. One in 60 people have hepatitis C, and nearly two-thirds of those people do not know they have it.
- Hepatitis C can be diagnosed with a simple blood test and is curable in about 60% of patients.
- In addition to hepatitis C, there are over 30 other liver diseases which can be diagnosed and for which there are treatments.
- All money raised by the Friends of the Saint Louis University Liver Center stays in the St. Louis area to support programs in education and research in liver diseases.
- The Friends have raised and donated more than \$1.6 million for the SLULC since its inception. The funds help support the critical infrastructure of the Liver Center from faculty salaries to visiting professorships and patient-oriented seminars and research. By leveraging the donations of the Friends, the Liver Center is able to use the "seed money" as a match for larger grants from outside sources that generate **\$17 new dollars from outside the region for every \$1 raised locally.**

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## RESEARCH

The Saint Louis University Liver Center is committed to excellence in basic and clinical research. The Doisy Research Center includes laboratory space specifically devoted to liver research. These areas provide environments to improve both the understanding and the treatment of liver diseases. Our researchers include physicians as well as basic scientists in order to acquire new knowledge of fundamental liver function and causes of liver diseases as well as applicable treatments.

### CLINICAL RESEARCH

The Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology has one of the most active liver clinical research groups in the nation. Investigators are looking at new and innovative ways of treating liver diseases including hepatitis B, hepatitis C, liver cancer, and primary sclerosing cholangitis. Since more than 5 million people have been exposed to hepatitis C and the disease affects more than 45,000 people in the St. Louis area, numerous studies are looking at this disease and its treatment. For interest in a clinical study, call the GI & Hepatology Studies Unit at (314) 977-9400.

#### Hepatitis C

**Protocol: TPL**

**Sponsor: GlaxoSmithKline**

**PI: Bruce R. Bacon, M.D.**

The purpose of this study is to see if a study medication is safe and effective in the treatment of thrombocytopenia (low platelet count) in subjects receiving treatment for hepatitis C.

**Protocol: 108**

**Sponsor: Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc**

**PI: Adrian M. Di Bisceglie, M.D.**

To evaluate a protease inhibitor given in combination with pegylated interferon alfa with ribavirin in HCV infected subjects who have never been treated.

**Protocol: 5216**

**Sponsor: Schering-Plough Research Institute**

**PI: Bruce R. Bacon, M.D.**

To determine the safety and efficacy of a protease inhibitor in previously untreated subjects with chronic hepatitis C genotype 1.

**Protocol: 5101**

**Sponsor: Schering-Plough Research Institute**

**PI: Bruce R. Bacon, M.D.**

To determine the safety and efficacy of a protease inhibitor in subjects with chronic hepatitis C genotype 1 who failed prior treatment with peginterferon/ribavirin.

**Protocol: RMO1-2026**

**Sponsor: Romark Institute for Medical Research**

**PI: Bruce R. Bacon, M.D.**

A study of a study medication given in combination with peginterferon  $\alpha$ -2a and ribavirin in treatment-naïve subjects with hepatitis C.

**Protocol: 5005**

**Sponsor: GlobeImmune Inc.**

**PI: Adrian M. Di Bisceglie, M.D.**

To assess efficacy and safety of study medication given in combined with pegylated interferon plus ribavirin standard of care therapy versus standard of care alone, and study medication salvage of standard of care failures, in subjects with genotype 1 chronic hepatitis C infection.

**Protocol: NV18210**

**Sponsor: F. Hoffman-La Roche Ltd**

**PI: Bruce R. Bacon, M.D.**

A study with high dose induction dosing of pegylated interferon in combination with higher ribavirin doses in treatment-naïve subjects with chronic hepatitis C genotype 1 virus infection of high viral titer and baseline body weight greater than or equal to 85 kg.

**Protocol: NV18210**

**Sponsor: Intarcia Therapeutics, Inc.**

**PI: Bruce R. Bacon, M.D.**

A dose escalation study of the safety, tolerability, pharmacokinetics and antiviral activity of pegylated interferon and ribavirin in subjects with chronic hepatitis C previously treated.

**Protocol: 204**

**Sponsor: Valeant Research & Development**

**PI: Bruce R. Bacon, M.D.**

Comparison of weight-based doses of a study medication combined with peginterferon alfa-2b versus ribavirin combined with peginterferon alfa-2b in therapy-naïve p subjects with chronic hepatitis C virus genotype 1 infection.

**Protocol: 2201**

**Sponsor: Novartis Pharmaceuticals**

**PI: Bruce R. Bacon, M.D.**

A multicenter study to evaluate the safety and efficacy of albinterferon alfa-2b administered every 4 weeks plus ribavirin in interferon alfa-naïve subjects with genotype 1 chronic hepatitis.

#### Hepatitis B

**Protocol: HBV 103**

**Sponsor: Gilead Sciences**

**PI: Adrian M. Di Bisceglie, M.D.**

To compare the efficacy of two study medications for the treatment of HBsAg positive chronic hepatitis B.

**Protocol: HBV 305 & 306**

**Sponsor: Pharmasset, Inc.**

**PI: Adrian M. Di Bisceglie, M.D.**

A study to evaluate the efficacy and safety of two medications in subjects who have never been treated before and are HBeAg negative or HBeAg positive chronic hepatitis due to hepatitis B virus.

**Hepatocellular Carcinoma**

**Protocol: 182006**

**Sponsor: Bristol-Myers Squibb**

**PI: Adrian M. Di Bisceglie, M.D.**

The purpose of this study is to estimate the 6 month progression free, survival rate of subjects with hepatocellular carcinoma when dosed with an oral study medication.

**Fatty Liver – NASH/NAFLD**

**Protocol: PIVENS**

**Sponsor: National Institutes of Health**

**PI: Brent A. Tetri, M.D.**

Overall goal: To evaluate whether 96 weeks of treatment with either pioglitazone or vitamin E lowers NASH activity as determined from hepatic histology in nondiabetic adults with NASH (nonalcoholic steatohepatitis) compared to treatment with placebo.

**Protocol: TONIC**

**Sponsor: National Institutes of Health**

**PI: Brent A. Tetri, M.D.**

To determine whether 96 weeks of treatment with either metformin or vitamin E leads to sustained reduction in serum ALT in nondiabetic children with NAFLD compared to treatment with placebo.

**Protocol: Database**

**Sponsor: National Institutes of Health**

**PI: Brent A. Tetri, M.D.**

To investigate the etiology, natural history, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of nonalcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD) as defined by steatosis, steatohepatitis, and/or fibrosis, to develop a specimen bank comprising liver tissue, serum, plasma, and DNA obtained from NAFLD subjects, and to provide a resource for clinical trials and ancillary studies of the pathogenesis, natural history, and treatment of NAFLD.

**Protocol: Pio**

**Sponsor: Brooke Army Medical Center**

**PI: Brent A. Tetri, M.D.**

Assessment of the efficacy of pioglitazone on viral kinetics, cytokines, and innate immunity in a group of insulin resistant, treatment naïve, chronic hepatitis C, genotype 1 subjects.

**Pancreatic insufficiency**

**Protocol: Pancrecarb**

**Sponsor: Digestive Care Inc.**

**PI: Frank R. Burton, M.D.**

To investigate the bioavailability of pancreatic enzymes in the human upper intestine.

**Protocol: 810**

**Sponsor: Altus Pharmaceuticals Inc.**

**PI: Frank R. Burton, M.D.**

To evaluate the long term safety of a pancreatic enzyme study medication.

**Pancreatitis**

**Protocol: MRCP**

**Sponsor: ChiRhoClin, Inc.**

**PI: Frank R. Burton, M.D.**

A multicenter study evaluating the utility of MRCP with and without study medication stimulation to study the morphology and exocrine function in subjects with chronic and recurrent acute pancreatitis.

**Pancreatitis/ Pancreatic Cancer**

**Protocol: Endoscopy Sampling**

**Sponsor: ChiRhoClin, Inc.**

**PI: Frank R. Burton, M.D.**

To compare characteristics of samples collected for laboratory analysis via endoscopic aspiration of duodenal fluid after administration of test drug to determine if the sample is exocrine pancreas fluid in origin in sufficient volume for testing and with sufficient DNA for testing.

**Dyspepsia**

**Protocol: FDTT**

**Sponsor: National Institutes of Health**

**PI: Charlene Prather, M.D.**

To investigate if two antidepressant medicines are more effective medicines in the treatment of functional dyspepsia than placebo (sugar pill).

**Barrett's Esophagus**

**Protocol: Barrett's**

**Sponsor: National Institutes of Health**

**PI: Charlene Prather, M.D.**

This trial is designed to assess the effects of a study medication +/- aspirin among subjects at increased risk for adenocarcinoma of the esophagus.

# Grateful Patients Give Back!

Many Saint Louis University Liver Center grateful patients often ask their Doctor what they can do to help the Liver Center as a way to say thanks! In the spring, Dr. Bacon & Dr. Di Bisceglie put together a letter to patients outlining ways they could help make a difference. The outline included a request for volunteers, donations, and they asked that some do an *online fundraising campaign* to create awareness of liver disease by telling their story and emailing friends and family for support. There was a great response and the Friends received all that was requested! Many donations were sent, volunteer offers, and some did the online fundraising campaign. We're thankful for the outpouring from Grateful Patients and wanted to share a few online story snippets and invite you to visit [www.friendsoftheslulc.org](http://www.friendsoftheslulc.org) to read their complete stories.

*If you're interested in creating a personal online campaign, please see cover page for details.*

**Nancy Marsh** My story begins in 1992 when my blood donation for a friend was rejected due to having "antibodies for hepatitis non-A, non-B". My blood was tested and I was diagnosed with Hepatitis C. From 1992 through 1996 I did two 6 month treatments followed by a 20 month research program (similar to chemotherapy)...



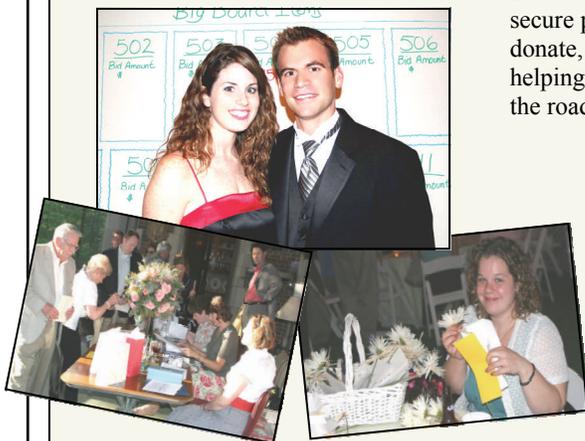
For me, the research proved successful! I became involved with the "Friends" because of Dr. Bruce Bacon, the world renowned doctor who led me to a cure. The mission of the Friends of the Saint Louis University Liver Center is to raise money for research. In 1992 there was little info and few treatments available for patients diagnosed with what was then known as a 'terminal' disease.... It was amazing to watch research uncover the variety of virus types (called genotypes) there were. Research that has occurred since I was diagnosed now results in many more cures... Please help by making a donation to the Friends of the Saint Louis University Liver Center using their secure payment process. If you're unable to donate, please volunteer. Your donation and helping hands can be the major catalyst on the road to a cure! Thank You!

**Anida Bauer** My life began to take a drastic turn when I was 22 years old... I didn't realize that 30 years later there would be a correlation between my amputation and my diagnosis with Hepatitis C. I diagnosed myself after reading a front-page article in the St. Louis Post Dispatch... I realized in a split second that I had all the symptoms the article described and I had a blood transfusion in 1969 during my amputation. Naomi Judd also had Hepatitis C and flew into St. Louis to receive her treatments from SLULC's renowned Liver Specialist, Dr. Bruce Bacon... Living through 11 months of chemotherapy is rough but faith, family, and friends and the will for a cure made it all do able. Now, five years later, I am free of undetectable Hepatitis C Virus! I feel so excited about the new research and cures that are within our reach! I ask you to help me raise awareness and money to fund research at Saint Louis University Liver Center so others, like me, can experience the miracle of a cure. God Bless



**Enjoy a Day on the River with Erma Whiteside & the Leather and Lace Blues Band Saturday, May 31st Southshore Marina 2:00 p.m.—? 1014 Urna Dr., St. Charles, MO \$20 suggested donation**

When Mike Szwavo decided to do a fundraiser benefiting the Friends of the SLULC, he didn't waste any time recruiting Erma Whiteside & the Leather and Lace Band to support the cause! And what a coincidence the keyboard player, Perry Jacobs, is a cured patient of the SLULC. Perry said "we feel the work that the SLULC does is essential and want to help by raising money and awareness of liver disease." Perry added "I was fortunate the SLULC was there for me when I was diagnosed with HVC and Dr. Bacon referred me to a clinical study which I responded to and have been HVC free for 8 years, which is considered cured!"



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3.1 miles to Southshore Marina on the right

**For Info, call Mike at 314-839-4239**

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### CAR DONATIONS

**Do you have a car you would like to donate? The Friends of the Saint Louis University Liver Center can now accept vehicle donations. For more details, please call the Friends office, or John Thornton at Brentwood Volvo to arrange a time to drop off your vehicle 314-644-9501.**

**Weiss Brentwood Volvo is located at:  
7700 Manchester Road, St. Louis, MO 63143.**



## What's on the Calendar?

**May** is National Hepatitis Awareness Month

**May 16, 2008**—Dinner Debate “Discussing Hepatitis B with Dr.’s Schiff and Afdhal”

*For info, contact Janet or Tammi at 314-577-8764*

**May 31, 2008**— The Great Gatsby Lawn Party at the Busch Mansion

**May 31, 2008**— A Day on the River featuring *Erma Whiteside & The Leather and Lace Blues Band*, at Southshore Marina For info, contact Mike Szwavo 314-839-4239

**September 20, 2008**— Denim & Diamonds at the Westport Sheraton

October is National Liver Disease Awareness Month



**Check presentation from “Friends”  
to the SLU Liver Center  
4/18/08 at the Edward A. Doisy Research Center**

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