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Greetings!

Over the last few years the winter months have been essential for our staff and Board of Directors as a time for long term planning, strategy building, professional development, and maybe even a vacation. This year has been different; 2016 has already been action-packed.

For starters, within the span of a week we received three unique and significant acknowledgements.

1. Runner's World named the Indianapolis Monumental Marathon a "Bucket List" event and included us on their list "[10 Great Marathons for First-Timers](#)"
2. In advance of the 2016 U.S. Olympic Team Trials Marathon we were recognized as the marathon with the [7th most qualifiers and the half marathon with the 5th most qualifiers.](#)
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3. Bart Yasso, Runner's World Chief Running Officer, named us his favorite marathon of 2015.



Blake & Bart



Our next big piece of news is the opening of registration for the [21st Annual Indianapolis Half Marathon](#). This event is a staple on the Indy running calendar and we're thrilled to play a role in growing the tradition and building the experience for the local running community. We hope all of you are as excited as we are.

We're opening registration next week with the lowest prices in years. Register on Tuesday, March 1 to save up to 40%!

Our successes and all the excitement around our events and organization are the direct result of a dedicated team of staff and volunteers, including the leadership on our Board of Directors. We've recently added three new board members to continue to grow our contribution to the community. Please join me in welcoming Jim Obermaier (President, Jenner Group), Michelle Gough McKeown (General Counsel, Indiana Charter School Board) and Eric Johnson (Chief Investment Officer, CNO Financial Group and President, 40|86 Advisors, Inc.) to our leadership team. At the same time, we all owe a debt of gratitude to Jon Little, Maggie Jordan and Cathy Knapp who finished their terms on the Board of Directors but who remain committed to our mission and our success for years to come.

We've now posted our summer and fall internships for college students looking for career experience in the event industry or not-for-profit world. For more information about these opportunities, visit our [staff page](#).

Most exciting of all, **we are now looking for a dedicated person to join our team as a full-time staff member.** Our success wouldn't be possible without our dedicated staff. They constantly go the extra mile for our participants, our organization and for the Indianapolis community.



Our work culture is grounded in the knowledge that our team is greater than the sum of its parts. No one completely owns a work area and everyone on the team shares in our collective successes. We're looking for someone who loves running, loves Indianapolis and believes that our organization can continue to make our city a better place to live.

If you, or someone you know, fit that depiction, we encourage you to explore the [job description](#) for our new **Strategic Partnerships Manager**. If you are interested in applying, please submit your resume, including references, and a cover letter explaining how you might fit our team to jobs@monumentalmarathon.com no later than Friday, March 4, 2016.

Stay tuned for many more exciting announcements as we prepare for another record setting year for one of the top marathons in the country, the Indianapolis Monumental Marathon. We're proud of our recent recognition and 2016 race registrations are once again on record pace. But we've remained focused on planning for 2016 and beyond. In the coming weeks be on the lookout for our news as it develops.

Next week we launch our efforts for the 21st Annual Indianapolis Half Marathon and **mark your calendars for 100 days from now on Thursday, June 2 when the third edition of the Monumental Mile** brings elite races, family fun and a party to Downtown Indy.

Be Monumental,
Blake

Blake Boldon
Executive Director
Indianapolis Monumental Marathon

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