run with me

5K Run/Walk scheduled for Saturday, April 28

The second annual event will be held at 203 East Tenth Street in Bloomington. Proceeds will benefit Stone Belt program.

The 5K will begin at 9 a.m. and the Fun Run will begin at 10 a.m. Check-in and mail-in registration fees both races will begin at 7:30 a.m. Entry fee for the 5K is $15 and $17 the day of the event. Entry fee for the Fun Walk/Run is $10 (pre-registered) or $15 the day of the event.

To date, Stone Belt has secured over $10,000 in corporate sponsorships and corporate in-kind gifts. Stone Belt thanks its sponsors for helping make this event possible. As a publication date this includes: Gold Sponsor: Scents & Feel Good, Silver sponsors: Pavilions, Cabele, Tailgate Catering, Bronze sponsors: Informa, Natural Market, In-Kind: Candor, First Insurance Group, IC Benefits, Monroe Bank, In-The-Loop, The Columbus Journal, Williamsbrown Pharmacy, Blue sponsors: Cook Pharmacy, Emplacement Run, Southern Indiana Pediatrics, Coal Rich & Hyundai Auto, Lannett.

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registration form

If you wish to participate in this year's 5K, simply cut out the registration form below and mail it back to Stone Belt in the enclosed pre-paid envelope. Registration brochures are also available at all Stone Belt locations and on the website at www.stonebelt.org.

applebee's 5K fund-raiser

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upcoming events

WINNERS ANNOUNCED FOR EXCELLENCE

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APRIL 26

APPLIANCES REUPHOLSTERED
Applying for a home decorating grant, 305 W. Third Street, Bloomington.

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APRIL 24

BOWLING BLAST
Snowball Ball, Shoe Ball, Bloomington registration starts at 7:15 am.

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MAY 4

CLIENT ART DISPLAYED AT BLOOMINGTON CITY HALL
This program is funded by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, the Bloomington Community Foundation, the City of Bloomington, and the Indiana Arts Commission.

March 28

MARCH 30

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Local businesses recognized during awards ceremony

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With the theme “Technology and the Arts,” the pieces developed at Stone Belt’s studio space, under the direction of local collaborative artist Joe LaMantia, utilized the Yin-Yang symbol as the main art element. In the spirit of collaboration, the pieces developed by Stone Belt’s staff incorporated elements of technology and the arts. Throughout January and February Stone Belt’s 10th Street facility was a hub of activity for local artists, Indiana University and community groups andStone Belt clients all preparing creative signage for ArtsWeek activities. The pieces hung February 21 throughout Bloomington and on the 13th annual Business Recognition Ceremony, sponsored by SIHO Insurance Services, March 6.

At Stone Belt, there is a sense of camaraderie. This transcends departments and social lines. Each piece was based on a 4-5 foot diameter Yin-Yang symbol made of wood, singing, dancing or playing basketball, I have learned to feel confident in my skills. Before I began working at Stone Belt, I never sang, except perhaps singing the tune at church — and I certainly never danced. When Dramapalooza was born, I would sing and dance during classes, etc., and gradually branched out, “performing” in many other places. Now I am also singing and dancing and caring for classes we develop, and leading those classes to learn and grow, to perform, to shine. I’ve learned a lot, and so have the clients. I am proud of the way we work and the clients’ accomplishments.

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Staffing at Stone Belt enriches staff member’s life

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Dorothy Dugdale leaves estate gift to Stone Belt. page 6

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Ten area employers honored at annual event. page 6

OUR MISSION
We believe in the uniqueness, worth and right to self-determination of every individual. Therefore, it is our mission, in partnership with the community, to prepare, empower and support persons with developmental disabilities and their families to participate fully in the life of the community.