

The Spot - September 23

IUPUI Regatta, United Way Campaign, Intramural Sports, Jaguars Athletics

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Transcript

[M. Mosbey] Hi, I'm Mitch Mosbey, your host for the September 23rd edition of IUPUI's The Spot.

The inaugural IUPUI Regatta was Saturday, September 19th, and the event was a success. Contestants consisted of IUPUI students, faculty, staff, and alumni, and first place was team GBD with a final time of 7 minutes and 33 seconds. The money raised from the Regatta will go towards scholarships for future IUPUI students.

Just past the halfway point in the IUPUI United Way Campaign and you have raised \$173,200 of the \$417,000 goal. There are still events left to raise money for united way and make a difference in the community. The United Way Cornhole Bowl will be on Wednesday, September 30th from 11am to 1pm. Cost is \$20 per team and pre-registration is required. Friday, October 2nd is the United Way Day of Caring, where students, faculty, and staff can unite to help better serve the community. The Spot spoke with Faculty Trevor Potts for more details.

[T. Potts] United Way Day of Caring actually wraps up the United Way Campaign here at IUPUI, which is a month long donation pledge drive, so as a way to wrap it up and celebrate, we all get together at about 8:30 in the morning; faculty, students, up to about 400 people, and we go somewhere in the city and volunteer and do something. This year we are going to be working with Keep Indianapolis Beautiful, which is a great organization and working over here at the White River State Park.

We are going to be getting our hands dirty this year. We're going to be planting flowers all around White River State Park, beautification projects, sometimes the dirty work, cleaning up the sidewalks and the things we don't notice when we're walking by, but it's a lot of fun actually. It's great for morale, and again it's a great way to celebrate the end of the campaign. Students can absolutely still sign up for the program. All you have to do is put in Day of Caring on your IUPUI search engine and you'll be taken to the website. Put in your email address, your name, and you'll be sent all the information. If you can't give through money, this is just a way to, to give through your sweat, and to also have a wonderful time, bond with faculty, meet some faculty that you might not otherwise meet, and make some friends and fellow students.

[M. Mosbey] Live United and donate by October 2nd at www.iupui.edu/unitedway.

Stand up for your beliefs and let your voice be heard at Democracy Plaza every Thursday through November 7th from noon to 1. As a part of constitution week, last Thursday's topic was the right to bear arms, and this week's Pass the Mic is all about healthcare.

Intramural season is underway! In an effort to get involved on campus, approximately 1,550 students participated in intramural sports last year. Currently flag football, soccer, volleyball, ultimate Frisbee, and basketball are offered as fall intramural sports, but stay tuned for upcoming additions. We spoke with student Chris Prange to hear why he participates every year.

[C. Prange] I've been doing recreational sports for about five years now since I was a freshman. I started out in 2005 my spring semester playing basketball and then ever since, and I started playing football last year. My favorite thing about intramural sports is the competition. There's a lot of good athletes here that go to IUPUI that haven't got a chance to play basketball or football, and so, it's kind of nice to go out there and play against them, and show everyone what we got. Whenever you hear information about it being open, go ahead and go to the Natatorium, and go to the lower level of the basement, and you can pick up a sheet. All you have to do is fill it out, put your team's information, your email address, and your student ID number on your Jagtag.

[M. Mosbey] Are you an IUPUI undergraduate who will be participating in an approved study abroad program? If so, you might qualify for the IUPUI Undergraduate International Experience Scholarship for up to 3,000 dollars. View eligibility and complete the online scholarship application at the study abroad website by October 15th for spring programs.

Jagtag is excited to offer students two new vendors. Now accepting your Jagtag is Qdoba on Indiana Avenue and Scotty's Brewhouse downtown. In addition, save money with Jagtag discounts at Ray's Campus Salon and receive a bonus of 50 dollars when you join Indiana Members Credit Union. Visit jagtag.iupui.edu to view other vendors and discounts.

This week in sports, the women's soccer team will play host to Cleveland State on September 25th at 7pm, and also at home is the men's soccer team facing UMKC on Saturday, September 26th at 7pm. Good luck and go Jags! You can track their progress at iupuijags.com.

That's it for The Spot this week. Be sure to tune in next Wednesday for the latest campus news and student activities at jagtv.iupui.edu.

I'm Mitch Mosbey, and thanks for Spotting us!