

The Spot - October 3

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New Emergency Notification System, Study Abroad Photo Contest, Jaguar Sports

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[K. Christopher] Hi. This is October 3rd edition of IUPUI's The Spot. I'm Kaitlyn Christopher. Indiana University just announced an initiative to provide a new emergency notification system on all eight IU campuses. "IU-Notify" will be capable of reaching students, staff, and faculty within minutes via text messaging. The Spot spoke with Bob True from IUPUI's Police Department about the plan.

[S. Vick] I understand that we have a new event communication system that you're rolling out soon. Can you tell us a little more about that?

[B. True] It's a system that's being rolled out, actually, throughout the state for event communications. It will be used for emergencies, it'll be used for special events. People will be able to opt-in. It will be preloaded with people's campus e-mail addresses. For faculty and staff, their campus phone numbers. And then you'll be able to use Onestart to add other e-mail addresses, you'll be able to add SMS (text) numbers for your cell phone, or voice numbers for your cell phone. It will do voice and text. We're hoping to do the initial loads of all the campus data with e-mail addresses, campus phones, and all that in place in the next two, two and a half weeks. As that's going on, we're working on the interface system so people can add their individual data through Onestart. And, at some point when we do roll the system out and add those e-mail addresses and cell phone numbers, and all of that, particularly the SMS, you will get a message and it will ask you to respond to the message to confirm your receipt to finish the subscription to the service. All that will be explained in Onestart.

[K. Christopher] Twelve IUPUI students were recognized last week for photographs that they had taken while studying abroad. Categories for the 6th Annual Study Abroad Photo Contest included IUPUI Students Abroad, Cultural Adventure, Most Picturesque, and Most Unusual.

First place and the Grand Prize winner of the Cultural Adventure category was Allysia Schwartz who photographed election time in Jamaica. Second place went to Rebecca Cluck who took a picture of a family in the Rif Mountains of Morocco.

In the IUPUI Students Abroad category Sarah Bowens won with her picture of students in France. Anna Adrizzone finished close in 2nd with her picture in Venice, Italy.

See the International Affairs website for information on how you too can study abroad.

The Circle City Classic is an annual football game that takes place in Indianapolis, and is played by two historically black colleges. This year Florida A&M University plays Winston Salem State University on Saturday October 6th. IUPUI's Black Student Union will walk in the annual parade, and Phi Beta Sigma will be stepping in the annual Greek Show. The Spot spoke with Nathaniel Williams the Treasurer of Phi Beta Sigma.

So tell me what your role is in Circle City Classic this year.

[N. Williams] Actually, we're in the parade that's happening this Saturday as well as the step show. The step show is a display of greek fraternities, historically black greek fraternities, of stepping that relates all the way back to Africa. Every year we compete in the Indiana statewide step show. Last year we came in second, and the past two years I think we came in second as well. I'm in charge of getting everything ready for production, just painting, getting the set ready. Practice usually happens every night or so. It gets more intense when we get closer to the actual step show.

[K. Christopher] For more information visit circlecityclassic.com. The Black Student Union with the Latin Student Association will host a Unity Social this Thursday at 8pm. You can enjoy food and music while getting to know your peers. See the website for more information.

The Fall 2007 Dodgeball Tournament will be held in "The Jungle" on Saturday October 13th from 2-5pm. The event is hosted by the Honors Club, and you can sign up a team of six by visiting the club's website.

In sports, the Men's Soccer team will be very busy this week. They take on Marian College this Thursday, the 4th, and UMKC Saturday, the 6th, in Koontz Stadium. Be sure to check them out!

That's the spot for this week. Check out the new episode starting each Wednesday on our podcast at jagtv.iupui.edu. See you later!