The Spot - January 9

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New Year, New Campus Center, Major Campus Events, & Jaguars Basketball

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Transcript

[K. Christopher] Hi. I'm Kaitlyn Christopher and this is the January 9th edition of IUPUI's The Spot.

The semester officially started Monday and tons of students were already checking out the new Campus Center which officially opened this week. The new Barnes & Noble bookstore is a lot larger than the old Cavanaugh bookstores and has textbooks as well as books you'd regularly find in a Barnes & Noble. Also open now is Mondo Subs on the 2nd floor, the JagTag office, the meeting rooms, a convenience store, and the Campus & Community Life and Student Organization offices. The Spot spoke with Trevor Faulk, the president of Undergraduate Student Government, about the campus center opening:

[Faulk] Welcome to the new Campus Center here at IUPUI. I have the privilege of being your Undergraduate Student Government president. My name is Trevor Faulk. I'd like to give a welcome here for those people who haven't been in the building yet. Obviously, this is the first week of classes. We hope you'll come over and spend a lot of time here. As you can see behind me, there's a lot of space – it's an open building and there's a lot of space for students, and I think you'll enjoy the time you spend here in the building, hanging out with your friends, coming up to the student organization cube in the 3rd floor, coming to visit many of the offices for your student leadership, including the undergraduate student government. And, I also think it will be really a focal point for our community as we develop here at IUPUI a more centered place where all of our students can get together, learn, work and interact over the course of their career here at IUPUI.

[K. Christopher] If your student organization is interested in desk space in the Campus Center, you can stop by the Campus & Community Life office on the third floor of the building, or apply online on the their website.

We're in the middle of basketball season and the Men's basketball team is undefeated in the conference. The Spot spoke with coach Ron Hunter about the season:

- [S. Vick] Hi. I'm here with Ron Hunter from the Men's Basketball team. He's going to tell us a little bit about how the season's been going so far.
- [R. Hunter] We're 11 and 3 and we're off to the best start in school history. We're really excited. But I'll tell you right now, we really need our students. We need our students to help us. We're in first place in the Summit League and we need them to be rowdy. I appreciate all the support they've given us so far this year. But, this next six weeks, we really need you to come out and support the men's basketball team.

We've got North and South Dakota who are coming here for the first time. They're playing very well right now. Every game is important, especially at home. We have to win home games. We go on the road and students are really on us. So, when we come back, we need our students. We think we've got the best students in the country and especially in the Summit League. We need the other teams to realize how annoying it is to come and play at IUPUI.

[K. Christopher] The Men have two home games this week. They face North Dakota Thursday the 10th. The men and women play in a doubleheader Saturday versus Summit League opponent South Dakota. The women tip-off at 4:30, and the men start at 7:30. Next Monday, the women also face North Dakota at home in the Jungle.

Some major campus events are coming up. If you're interested in having a good time and helping raise money for Riley Hospital for Children, you should check out Jagathon. Each year, the IUPUI Student Foundation hosts the event, which is a twelve hour fundraiser for Riley Hospital for Children with round-the-clock food, fun, and prizes! Jagathon is in the end of February, but you need to sign up now to be involved. You can sign up for the event on the Student Foundation website.

If you're thinking about studying abroad, check out the Study Abroad Fair next Tuesday in the Campus Center. The fair is a good way to learn about all of the study abroad opportunities, and you can speak with faculty and the directors who lead the programs. The fair is from 10:30 to 1:30 in Campus Center room 405.

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