## The Spot - October 29

Celebrate IU Video Contest Winner, IUPUI Cycling Club, Jaguars in the Streets, Alpha Phi Alpha

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## Transcript

[S. Reed] Hi, I'm Stephen Reed, your guest host for the October 29th edition of IUPUI's The Spot. Robin Licht, JAGtv video intern Erik Osburn, and Mariah White took first place in the Celebrate IU Video Competition. These IUPUI students worked together to create a video describing why they love IU. The Spot met with the team to talk about their winning video.

[E. Osburn] So my partners-in-crime, Robin Licht and Mariah White, actually came up with the idea, and I sort of hired on kind of at the end of the planning stage really.

[R. Licht] First, we looked at some of the other videos that were on the web site and the IU celebrate group, and we realized that a lot of them were slide shows and just kind of talking-head videos about why you love IU. So we decided to go into a different direction and do a more music video.

[M. White] My role in this is that I collaborated with the lyrics with Robin, and I also helped her set up the shots and pick out the costumes.

[R. Licht] It was kind of a quick process. I spent a Wednesday night sitting down at my computer and just thinking of different words that related back to IU and IUPUI and seeing which words rhyme within a rhyming dictionary, because I don't have any rhyming talent. So that's my secret - I used a rhyming dictionary. It worked out for the best though. The next day I came back to Mariah and Erik, and I gave them transcripts about what I wrote and asked them for suggestions.

[E. Osburn] The idea was good; thanks to JAGtv, we had top quality equipment that we had at our disposal; talent was good. So, I mean, we had all the ingredients for a really winning, quality video.

[S. Reed] Check the <u>video</u> out for yourself by visiting http://www.youtube.com/group/celebrate2008">youtube.com/group/celebrate2008.

It's time to spread the word. The Fall 2008 Campus Day is quickly approaching and you don't want your friends or relatives to miss out. Campus Day is a great opportunity for prospective students to find out all about IUPUI on Sunday, November 9th, in the Campus Center. They will have the chance to talk with representatives about admissions, to learn about financial aid and scholarships, and to explore student life. Be sure to invite anyone and everyone who is interested in what IUPUI has to offer.

The IUPUI Cycling Club caters to those students, faculty, alumni, or staff interested in cycling. We met with Aubrey Siehl for more information.

[A. Siehl] This event is Butler's mountain-bike race. It started yesterday about 7:00 in the morning. We started setting up the track at Muscatatuck in southern Indiana. We did a cross country course there yesterday and a downhill in the afternoon. Today we did a short track race here at the Velodrome, and now we're getting ready to do a four cross, mountain bike race on the BMX track here again at the Velodrome. Right now we have about 230 people who showed up from schools all over the Midwest.

Thirty-nine schools have been represented this weekend. Right now Marion College has one person racing, Purdue races, and then IUPUI races. That's it for mountain biking. Road season you have IU, IUPUI, Indiana Wesleyan, Purdue, Notre Dame, Washington State Indiana showed up here last year for road races.

And then you've got - road season's huge. You'll get eight to twelve hundred show up for road races. IUPUI currently has about 70 people in their club. We have one that's racing mountain bike this weekend – that's me. We have about 26 that are going to race road bike in the spring. We start that in February. The race isn't until April.

[S. Reed] Alpha Phi Alpha organizes a variety of events during their Movement Week from November 2nd through 8th. The week is filled with massage therapy, an election results party and a March of Dimes initiative. The Movement Weekends with two major events: On Friday, November 7th, at 7pm, they host the 2nd Annual Miss Black and Gold Scholarship Pageant at Crispus Attucks Magnet High School, and on Saturday, November 8th, at 8:30am, they meet at the Campus Center to participate in a community service project through Habitat for Humanity. You can check them out on Facebook for more information.

Jaguars in the Streets is a volunteer group organized by the Office of External Affairs and the Center for Service and Learning. Each month the group focuses on a different social issue in hopes of exposing the IUPUI community to Indy. The Spot talked to Alex Czok to learn more about the organization.

[A. Czok] Jags in the Streets is a program organized by the Office of Community Service, and it's for students and staff at IUPUI to actually get engaged in the community outside of campus.

The way we've set it up is we actually organize it by themes or topics so every month we discuss a different social issue, and around that issue we create three to four events a month, usually once a week. You know, different times in the evenings or afternoons to make it more convenient for students and go and help out agencies that are involved in that kind of topic. Register by going to <a href="cst.iupui.edu">cst.iupui.edu</a>, and then you just click on the Jags in the Streets program and that brings you to the site where you can click on the link to go and actually fill out the form.

[S. Reed] Many families and individuals were left in great need after Hurricane Katrina devastated parts of the Gulf Coast in August of 2005. Y'ALL, Youth Advocating Leadership and Learning, travels to New Orleans from December 14th through 19th to help Katrina victims. Information about the application process and their callout meetings can be found at <a href="mailto:iupui.edu/~yallindy">iupui.edu/~yallindy</a>.

Election day is fast approaching. Make sure your voice is heard by voting early or by heading out to the polls on Tuesday, November 4th. For polling information visit indianavoters.com.

That's it for The Spot this week. Check us out next Wednesday to meet The Spot's upcoming guest host by viewing our podcast at <u>jagtv.iupui.edu</u>.

I'm Stephen Reed, and thanks for Spotting us!