

The Spot - March 19

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Alternative Spring Break, Summit League Basketball Championships, Class Registration, Crime Alert

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Hi. I'm Kaitlyn Christopher and this is the March 19th edition of IUPUI's The Spot.

Last week was spring break, and many students took part in an IUPUI tradition – alternative spring break. Instead of heading to a traditional spring break destination, students spent the week doing community service. This year, students participated in Habitat for Humanity builds in Waveland, Mississippi and Frederick Maryland, and the Engineers Without Borders student organization helped with cleanup and rebuilding in New Orleans. Another group headed to Mammoth Cave National Park in Kentucky to help build a new trail. Take a look at the footage: If you're looking for ways to volunteer and help out, check out the Center for Service & Learning website.

Spring break was also the start of march madness for the men's and women's basketball teams. Both teams competed in the Summit League Championships in Tulsa, Oklahoma. For the first time ever, both teams made it to the championship game and both faced rival Oral Roberts in the final game. The women's team ran out of gas in the second half of their game and ended their season, losing 66 to 53. Sophomore center Julia Whitted led the Jags with three double-doubles in the tournament.

The men played their final game on national television and played catchup for most of the first half. They led the game with just four minutes left in the second half, but Oral Roberts overpowered the Jags and won the game 71 to 64.

Spring sports are now in season. You can check out the softball team in home games this weekend. Check out iupuijags.com for game times and other sport schedules.

A reminder to students: priority registration for summer and fall classes is now underway through the end of March. Go to Onestart to check out available classes and register.

Finally, the IUPUI Police Department issued a crime alert last week due to a rash of break-ins in campus parking lots. Thieves typically break out a car window or open an unlocked door, and steal visible electronics such as GPS units, stereos, and other valuables. The Police Department recommends hiding any valuables so thieves can't see them.

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