

## **The Spot - November 14**

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State of Campus Address, Madame Walker Theatre 80th Anniversary, College Bowl, Jam the Jaguar Bus Food Drive

### **Duration**

4:23

### **Transcript**

[ K. Christopher ] Hi. This is the November 14th edition of IUPUI's The Spot. I'm Kaitlyn Christopher.

Last week, Chancellor Charles Bantz spoke about the momentum of IUPUI at his annual State of the Campus Address. The student body is one area where IUPUI has been changing. Chancellor Bantz said that today's students are more full-time and better prepared, in part because of a focus on more scholarships and the successes of learning communities.

He also spoke about major research milestones, civic engagement, a diversity plan and new Multicultural Center. Listen to some of the Chancellor's remarks:

[ C. Bantz ] As we talk about teaching and learning, we know that the way that occurs is with our faculty. And, the focus that we have at the core of what we do is making sure that we recruit and retain the most talented faculty in the world. Just a year ago, in November, we were challenged by the Black Student Initiative to do better. The students felt that we were not succeeding at the level that they asked of us. And they, in a very articulate and professional way, challenged us to do better and I hope we're responding as rapidly as we can. We're making a commitment to a multicultural center to be located in University College space that's being vacated when individuals and offices move to the Campus Center after the first of the year. I do believe we have momentum, but I also believe, as Michael Corda reminds us, the only way you can keep momentum is to keep moving your goals up. And, so, we do have to continue to challenge ourselves to improve and be more successful, because there is no stasis in the world we're in. Either you're moving forward or you're sliding back.

[ K. Christopher ] You've probably driven past Walker Theatre on the corner of Indiana Avenue and adjacent to the IUPUI campus. The theatre was named after the country's first female self-made millionaire, Madame C.J. Walker. Today it's a cultural center for Indianapolis and IUPUI. This weekend the theatre will be celebrating it's 80th anniversary with a concert featuring Patti Labelle, former Indiana Pacer Wayman Tisdale, Victoria Rowell- from Young and the Restless, and Kirk Whalum. Tickets are available at the theater's box office.

The IUPUI College Bowl took place on November 9th and is the campus' own version of "The Brain Game". Teams of IUPUI students competed against each other in a fast-paced question and answer trivia game for a scholarship of \$500. Check out some footage from the event.

[ Moderator ] What European monarchy has the postal abbreviation "BE"?

Answer?

[ Student ] Belgium

Afrikaans, while having evolved separately in South Africa, is very similar to this language:

[ Student ] Dutch

[ Moderator ] Dutch. Good for 10 points.

[ K. Christopher ] Jam the Jaguar Bus Food Drive is in full swing! The annual event at IUPUI to collect food for the underprivileged each holiday season. Donations will be given to Gleaner's Food bank and Wheeler Mission Care Center. Students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to drop off donations at the many boxes around campus. Find a location near you on the IUPUI website.

The Jaguars basketball season has officially begun! This weekend the women's team played Michigan State falling 65 to 35, and men's team faced Marquette and lost a close match 76 to 68. Junior George Hill led the jags with 19 points against the 11th ranked Marquette. The men's soccer team played in their last home game against IPFW, winning 5-2, which places them in the number 2 seed for the conference tournament.

If you're a fan of IUPUI basketball, be sure to sign up for the online web-streaming of all the Summit League games. You can watch men's and women's games Live and On-demand for ANY Summit league school! See the jags website for info about streaming.

That's the spot for this week. The Spot is off next week for Thanksgiving, so check the next episode out on the 28th. See you later!