

The Spot - November 28

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Jam the Jaguar Bus, Update your Info on Onestart, Bill Peet exhibit, Multicultural Center

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[K. Christopher] Hi. This is the November 28th edition of IUPUI's The Spot. I'm Kaitlyn Christopher.

November 20th was the annual Jam the Jaguars Bus Food Drive where students, staff, and faculty collected food for the underprivileged and donated it Indianapolis area churches and food pantries that were in need during the holiday season. The Spot spoke with Maggie McFarlin about the food drive's success.

[M. McFarlin] Jam the Jaguars Bus is a canned food drive that IUPUI participates in as a campus, from students to staff and faculty, to benefit local food pantries around Indianapolis. This year, we have 17 food pantries and churches participating. We filled up three of the campus shuttle Jaguar busses, full of canned food items and nonperishable items for home and hygiene products, and will be delivering – each bus goes to about 6 different shelters, food pantries, churches, from Gleaners and Christamore House to St. Christopher's Catholic Church, all around town.

[K. Christopher] As part of IUPUI's new emergency communications tool, students faculty and staff can now add phone numbers where they should be contacted in an emergency. Over half of IUPUI students haven't added phone. So, if you want to receive notifications in a campus emergency, be sure to update your personal information on Onestart under the IU-Notify tab. Herron's gallery has a new exhibition opening on November 30th featuring Herron Alum Bill Peet. You can see many of Peet's works including his contributions to Disney's classic movies 101 Dalmations and Sword and the Stone. There are also storytelling times for children throughout the month of December. The gallery is open during the exhibition season Monday through Saturday 10am-6pm and Thursday until 8pm.

As you may already know, IUPUI has been working to open a Multicultural Center at IUPUI. A concept paper of the initiative is available online at the Multicultural center's website, and you are encouraged to read the paper then attend a town hall meeting to provide feedback on the initiative. The meeting will be in UC 115 from 12-2pm December 3rd. The Spot spoke with Courtney Robertson about the initiative.

[C. Robertson] I feel that a lot of students will be in support of it and will be excited about having it, because it is definitely a big step for IUPUI, especially with their main target being diversity. So, I think a lot of students will respond to it well, and it's definitely something that's needed, because a lot of other cultures aren't represented on this campus. It's more euro-centric. So for us to have a multicultural center is a good way for us to promote other cultures. It's definitely a way for us to center ourselves with everyone else and for everyone to kind of be involved. It's something that everybody can have a say in. It will definitely be a big step towards promoting diversity, and it's a way for people to not only hear it but see it as well.

[K. Christopher] In sports, the men's basketball team played in the "Top of the World Classic" tournament in Fairbanks Alaska and finished the tourney in 4th place. They played in The Jungle on the 24th defeating Chicago State 78-70.

The Men face the University of Massachusetts in The Jungle on December 1st and the women play Cleveland State on December 5th.

That's the spot for this week. We're taking December off for finals and winter break and will be back in January. See you later!