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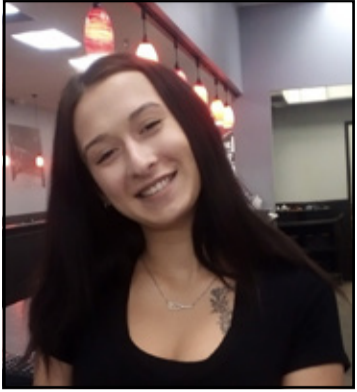
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**TODAY'S VERSE**

1 Peter 5:6 *Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time.*

**FACES OF MONTGOMERY**

People who call our community their own.



Our roving photographer was out early Wednesday and caught Lily Branshaw hard at work at a local diner. She still had time to give us a friendly smile though!

**THREE THINGS You Should Know:**

**1** The Animal Welfare League is hosting a Tricking Jeeps and Trunk or Treat at Pike Place! Dress up your jeep in a fun Halloween style Saturday, October 21 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. This event is open to the public and will include raffles, prizes and a food truck. Trunk or treat will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The cost is \$25 per jeep. This event is sponsored by Animal Welfare League, HCJC Lafayette and Jeeps of MoCo.

**2** Tickets are available now for the Rotary Jail Museum Ghost Hunts. Please pay attention to the date and time you select, some events take place just before or just after midnight. The Fan Meet & Greet with the Fourman Brothers from Paranormal Nightare is a FREE event - we are only selling pre-purchase tickets for the Ghost Hunts on October 28 & 29. Night Tours on October 27 are \$10 at the door.

**3** Come join artist Ellie Dieckmeyer for a fun class and make your own mixed media art piece. Instruction and supplies needed for students will be provided. Class will be on Thursday, October 12th. Choose either an afternoon session (1-3 pm) or an evening session (6-8 pm). Class is open to anyone 12 years and older. Cost is \$35. Classes meet at Athens Arts, 216 E. Main Street, Crawfordsville.



Photos courtesy of Crawfordsville Main Street

**Reminiscing With Crawfordsville Main Street**

The community bid farewell to an old downtown friend, the Fountain at Marie Canine Plaza. From the time it arrived twenty years ago summer of 2003, this plucky little fixture brought an annual dance of fun to the heart of downtown - to the delight of the littles and pleasure of parents as they watched their children enjoy the power of small earnest things. The fountain helped turn the wheel of progress; yes it did. It called folks to a welcoming green space in their downtown historic district, inviting them to pause, relax, and consider places that tell our stories; to places that matter. Soon we'll be receiving a New Friend that echoes one of those

stories - The Crawford Fountain at Marie Canine Plaza. This two-year project-in-the-making will reflect the architecture of the elegant Crawford Hotel that stood on this site 1900 - 1975, also serving as a popular gathering space for the community and its visitors. Enjoy these memories of your old fountain friend - and maybe post a picture of your own in the comments below for others to enjoy. Be watching as The Crawford Fountain takes shape these next few months. We expect it will open fresh chapters of the city's ongoing story - and build new memories of life in an authentic small town. Please take a minute to appreciate the list of those who carried

the vision of downtown progress in this space twenty years ago - included in this photo album. Crawfordsville Main Street is grateful to the foresight of the Canine Family who began the Marie Canine Fund at the Montgomery County Community Foundation years ago. CMS receives annual assistance from this fund, used for Plaza upkeep and maintenance. Thank you MCCF, for your excellent stewardship of this fund. The Crawford Fountain project has been made possible in part by City of Crawfordsville American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) federal funds + Other Donations [to be announced soon]. Project design by Tiii Environments - build by Smock-Fansler Cooperation.

**Around The County With The Saidlas**



**KAREN ZACH**  
Around The County

Not particularly a one-person article today, but more an overview of an interesting early Darlington area family. This family's story begins with Johanna Adam Saidle who was forced into the German Army and did not want that for his own sons. He was born in Mockmuh and baptized 17 April 1790 in Senfeld, Baden, Germany, his parents John Adam and Barbara. He married Catherine (Kellar, I believe). Two sons were born to them while there, then they decided it was time to go! When they arrived in America, his name became John Adam Saidla, although it was still often spelled the original way. Coming to the Darlington area, John purchased a total of 400 acres in Sec 14 and 23, Sugar Creek Township and someone in the family lived there for generations! And, so it began! The generations to come of this family, of course, had their tragedies (lit-

tle John, son of Adam, grandson of our originator drowned at age 5). John Henry, son of Philip Jacob was accidentally shot in the stomach when he and his hired hand were working in the field in 1880, just 24 years old. Quite a bit of a fence row was burned; good horses were lost. Yet, there was a multitude of blessings we can overview here. For one thing, the Saidla's were certainly up and coming. When phones became available, John and Will were a couple of the first in line to purchase one. UPS & Fed Ex had nothing on the Saidlas as Byrd opened a shipping shop "shipping all kinds" of things in Nov 1900. They kept their properties improved (new gate, new wallpaper at "the mansion" and such). Will purchased one of the first roadsters of the area as well. Funny, but one of the biggest items I noticed as I researched this family was that they loved to entertain - for any and all occasions! They even let others use their large home for such (CWJ 9 Nov 1900) as did Ray Craver with Lulu and Hattie Pittman at Frank's home for a masquerade ball with 50 young folks in attendance

wearing striking costumes, having oysters and other light refreshments with games and music afterwards. "One who was there," wrote: "We voted Mr. Craver and the Pittmans royal entertainers," and thanks were given to the Saidlas as the guests departed at a late hour. Wedding parties, ice cream suppers, Women's Aid Society (ice cream and a great variety of cake with foreign fruits and mild drinks) and musical get togethers - well, you name it - one of the families seemed to always be in the papers partying (good kinds of course). The Saidlas (thanks to Nancy Pickel for the stone name) seemed to be hard workers, Adam being one of the first to put in his crops each year; Will building (Oct 1899) corn cribs for Joe Binford; John and Bert were the Darlington street sprinklers summer of 1896; and Byrd shipped 3,000 rabbits at the end of December 1900. I'd say they didn't mind going out on a limb, either, as did Stella when her Sunday School class made a silk quilt, selling for a 10 cent donation a place for your name. Stella wrote to President Benjamin Harrison

See KAREN Page A5

**The Daily Almanac**

Sunrise/Sunset  
RISE: 7:53 a.m.  
SET: 7:14 p.m.



**High/Low Temperatures**  
High: 78 °F  
Low: 54 °F



Today is...

- Freethought Day
- National Farmer's Day
- World Sight Day

**What Happened On This Day**

- 1979 Douglas Adams's Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy Hits the Bookstores. The first in a "trilogy of five", the Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy, or H2G2, is a popular comedy science fiction novel that was first created as a radio show in 1978 for BBC Radio 4.
- 1964 First Multi Person Space Flight. Soviet spacecraft Voskhod 1 carried 3 cosmonauts for the first time to space. It was also the first time the crew did not wear any space suits for the duration of the flight.
- 1960 Nikita Khrushchev's Famous Shoe Pounding Incident. The First Secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union removed his shoe and pounded it on the table during a UN General Assembly meeting in New York.

**Births On This Day**

- 1875 Aleister Crowley English magician, author
- 1537 Edward VI of England

**Deaths On This Day**

- 1999 Wilt Chamberlain American basketball player
- 1997 John Denver American singer-songwriter, guitarist, actor

**HONEST HOOSIER**

It's a good time to remember to thank a farmer. We'd be pretty hungry without them!



**INSIDE TODAY'S EDITION**

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**THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE**

**Community Forum:**

Mayor Barton is to host his 125th Community Forum in the Mayor's Office on Thursday, October 19 from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. This event is open to the public to come ask questions, discuss concerns and learn more about anything regarding the city.

**TODAY'S HEALTH TIP**

Fat has over twice the calories per unit weight as carbohydrates and protein. Simplify large tasks into smaller ones. Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and online at www.thepaper24-7.com.



**TODAY'S QUOTE**

"There is a fifth dimension beyond that which is known to man . . . a dimension as vast as space and as timeless as infinity. It is the middle ground between light and shadow, between science and superstition, and it lies between the pit of man's fears and the summit of his knowledge. This is the dimension of imagination." -Rod Serling

**TODAY'S JOKE**

What monster plays tricks on Halloween? Prank-enstein!

**OBITUARIES**

Jo Lynn Adams

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**7 DAY FORECAST**

<b>70</b> NOT AS COOL, SCTO RAIN	<b>54/78</b> BREEZY & WARMER	<b>56/77</b> P.M. RAIN & STORMS	<b>52/58</b> MUCH COOLER, BREEZY, FEW SHOWERS	<b>48/58</b> BREEZY, STRAY SHOWER	<b>46/56</b> FEW RAIN SHOWERS	<b>43/58</b> STILL COOL
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## OBITUARIES

### Jo Lynn Adams

March 22, 1951, Monday, October 9, 2023

Jo Lynn Adams, age 72 of Lafayette, passed away on Monday, October 9, 2023 at home surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Crawfordsville on March 22, 1951 to the late Charles & Mae (Parsons) Adams.



Jo graduated from Crawfordsville High School in 1969 and was a fun-loving mother and grandmother. She was a nurse's aide and QMA at Ben Hur Nursing Home and graduated from St Elizabeth Nursing School in 1989. She was then a registered nurse at Williamsburg Healthcare and worked at Home/St Elizabeth Hospital for 30 years. She had a great sense of humor and will be missed by many.

She is survived by her two daughters, Jordan Yates and Kristy (Chris) Baugh; six grandchildren, Mathew (Taylor) McElwee, Jesse McElwee, Brendan McElwee, Rachel McElwee, Larissa Catron, and Hunter Baugh; two great grandchildren, Kollin and Sawyer McElwee; a sister, Joyce Gilliland; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and a brother, Jerry Gobel.

There will be a graveside service at Oak Hill North Cemetery, 392 Oak Hill Road, in Crawfordsville on Thursday, October 12, 2023 at 2:00pm.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given in her memory to her favorite charity, St Jude's Childrens Hospital, 501 St Judes Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or www.stjude.org. Sanders Priebe Funeral Care entrusted with care. Share memories and condolences online at www.SandersFuneralCare.com.

## Meeting Notes

### Crawfordsville District Public Library Board Of Trustees Meeting

Notice and Agenda October 12, 2023, at 4 p.m.	\$2,052,221 Estimated Tax Cap \$136,400
Conference Room	Lease/Rental \$826,205
• Call to order	Rainy Day \$0
• Public Comments	• Library Improvement Reserve \$158,022
• Minutes – action	• Holidays and Library Closings for 2024 – action
• Claims – action	• Distribution from MCCF funds – action
• Reports: Main Street, Park Board, Friends of CMMC, Finance	• Certified Professional Employer Organization – action
• Old Business	• Adjournment
• Revision of Holidays Policy – action	Upcoming board meetings
• Revision of Vacation, Sick, and Personal Days Policies – action	November 9, 2023 – 4:00 p.m.
• Classification Schedule and Pay Scale – action	December 14, 2023 – 4:00 p.m.
• Director's Report	January 11, 2024 – 4:00 p.m. (also Board of Finance annual meeting)
• Financial Reports	
• New Business	
• Resolution to Adopt the 2024 Budgets – action	
Library Operating	

## Franciscan Health Virtual Diabetes Prevention Program

Franciscan Health is offering prediabetic patients the opportunity to help prevent or delay type 2 diabetes with its year-long Diabetes Prevention Program.

Franciscan Health's 12-month virtual Diabetes Prevention Program follows guidelines recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that have proven to prevent or delay type 2 diabetes.

Diabetes is one of the top 10 leading causes of

death in the U.S., impacting more than 37 million American adults. Few realize type 2 diabetes can be prevented or delayed with lifestyle changes, like those implemented through the Franciscan Health Diabetes Prevention Program.

Throughout the course of the program, participants work with a certified healthy lifestyle coach who guides them in practices to help build energy and confidence, lose weight naturally and

reduce stress and anxiety.

Program goals include reducing body weight by 5 to 7 percent and increasing physical activity to 150 minutes per week.

The program is only open to participants 18 and older who have been diagnosed as prediabetic, not those who have previously been diagnosed with type 1 or type 2 diabetes. They must also have a body mass index greater than 25. Those who had a previous diagnosis of gestational diabetes or a

screening result indicating a high risk of type 2 diabetes are also eligible to participate.

A free virtual information session will be held on Monday, Nov. 20 at 5 p.m. Central/6 p.m. Eastern. Registration for the informational session is available online. To register for the class, which begins Nov. 28 and continues every Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. Central/6-7 p.m. Eastern, contact Amy Lambert at amy.lambert@franciscanalliance.org.

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# Global Warming Triggers More Violent Human Behavior

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**Dear EarthTalk:** What's the connection, if any, between the onset of global warming and an increase in violent human behavior?

It's not uncommon to hear talk about the dire consequences of global warming—rising-sea levels, extreme weather and ecological disruptions. But there's another dimension to this crisis that doesn't get much attention but is equally concerning: the link between global warming and increased violent behavior.

Indeed, a new study from University of Washington and Boston University researchers that surveyed data from 100 U.S. cities found that hotter-than-normal days—which we are getting more of every year thanks to global warming—coincide with higher incidences of gun violence. Several other previous studies underscore the connection between warmer temperatures and violence, with murder, rape and assault rates higher across the board during warmer-than-average stretches of days, months, seasons and years.

How does this add up? Researchers believe that prolonged exposure to climate change-related stressors can lead to anxiety, depression, and even post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)—and that those experiencing

these mental health issues may be more susceptible to engaging in violent behaviors as a coping mechanism or due to their altered mental state.

According to Iowa State University psychology researcher Craig Anderson, higher temperatures cause the brain to divert resources to other parts of the body in order to cool down. When this happens, parts of the brain are not running at full capacity, making it harder to process new information, manage emotions and control impulses. People who are hot are also more likely to perceive others as behaving aggressively, which increases the odds of hostile confrontations. "Heat stress primes people to act more aggressively," reports Anderson. "We can see this play out on a larger scale across geographic regions and over time."

While it's clear that hotter temperatures can rile people up more than usual, the ripple effect on society at large is more troubling. The predicted decline in crop yields and scarcity of drinking water in a fast-warming world could act like a multiplier effect on our tendency to get short-tempered when we heat up, and regional violent conflicts over essential resources—food and water—are the likely result.

Historians point to the 2011 civil war in Syria as an example of climate change catalyzing violent conflict. Prolonged warm-

ing-induced droughts there contributed to crop failures and displacement of rural communities which exacerbated existing social and political tensions creating an environment that erupted into full-scale civil war. These types of conflicts are likely to become more and more common as we continue to add more and more greenhouse gases into the atmosphere.

One way to minimize warming-induced violence at the meta level is to reduce warming by reducing our carbon footprints. And we can also take other steps to ensure a more peaceful future regardless of our ability to rein in emissions. Building resilient communities and food systems can go a long way towards reducing violence in the face of climate-related stressors. And we should prioritize mental health services and support systems to assist individuals in coping with the psychological impacts of climate change.

*-CONTACTS: Analysis of Daily Ambient Temperature and Firearm Violence in 100 US Cities, https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamanetworkopen/fullarticle/2799635; Climate as a risk factor for armed conflict, https://www.nature.com/articles/s41586-019-1300-6.*

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# Fall Home Maintenance - Get Ready For The Winter

The air is getting more relaxed, and the leaves and cornfields are turning yellow. Fall is here. With the change in weather comes a list of home maintenance that all homeowners should tackle before the icy stuff sets in. BBB offers these tips when preparing your home for the colder weather:

**Clean those gutters.** A build-up of leaves and other debris can cause your gutters and downspouts not to drain correctly. Improper draining can make water spill over your gutters, leading to foundation/basement damage and damage to your fascia boards. In the winter, ice dams can form that can let snow melt underneath your shingles.

**Inspect your roof.** Inspect your roof for loose or damaged shingles and make any necessary repairs. Damaged or loose shingles can let in water and ice during the winter, creating interior damage.

**Test your smoke and carbon dioxide detectors.** Making sure these essential safety tools are in proper working condition is manageable and vital to ensuring the safety of those in your home. The National Fire Protection Association offers excellent information on installing and maintaining smoke alarms.

**Check your window and doors for air leakage.** Adding caulk and weather stripping helps prevent cold air leakage into your home and prevents spiders and insects from entering. Also, check where pipes and wires enter your home.

**Organize your garage.** You will undoubtedly use your garage a lot more in the colder months. Get rid of trash and clutter,

and make sure your snow shovel and other winter-use items are easily accessible. Fill/repair any cracks or holes you see to prevent bugs and rodents from entering that will be seeking refuge from the cold.

**Inspect your driveway.** The frequent freezing and thawing conditions in many areas, along with tree roots and ground shifting, can cause driveways to develop areas of needed repair. Fall is a great time to fill cracks and seal coats to prevent wintertime water/ice damage.

**Schedule HVAC maintenance.** According to the U.S. Department of Energy, preventive care can help save you up to 25% in energy costs. Having your heating system serviced and filters replaced will ensure your system works efficiently.

**Tend to the outside water supply.** Cover up your outdoor water fixture (s). Spigot covers are reasonably priced at your local hardware store and help keep the exterior pipes from freezing. Empty hoses of any water and move them indoors.

**Protect pipes.** Insulate pipes in unheated areas, like attics, basements, and crawl spaces. Running a slow drip of water from faucets during extremely cold weather can also help prevent pipes from freezing.

**Prepare the garden and yard.** Trim trees and bushes away from your home to prevent heavy snow or ice damage. Clean up leaves and debris to prevent pests from finding shelter.

**Store patio furniture and other outdoor items.** Put away or cover outdoor furniture, grills, and other

summer items to protect them from winter weather.

**Stock up on winter supplies.** Have salt or ice melt, shovels, and other winter supplies on hand for snow and ice removal.

**Sweep your chimney.** If you have a fireplace, clean and inspect the chimney before using it. Ensure the damper works properly to prevent drafts when the fireplace is not in use. Having the soot and possible blockages or creosote build-up helps reduce the risk of a chimney fire and can improve the efficiency of your fireplace.

**Reverse ceiling fans.** In the colder months, you want your fan to move the warm air down, which means having your blades turn clockwise.

**Test backup generators.** If you have a backup generator, test it to ensure it's in working condition in case of power outages.

**Review your emergency plan.** Review your family's emergency plan, including how to stay warm, communication, and evacuation procedures in an emergency.

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asking if he'd like his name included. He wrote her back, not only sending the donation but postage as well telling her she could place his name on "the quilt if by so doing it will help you in a good cause!"

While I'm on the ladies, two especially were musically gifted, Joshua's daughter, "the handsome and accomplished" Bessie receiving a piano in September 1894, having taken lessons and often entertaining. Then, Stella also Josh's daughter attended DePauw, majoring in music - both doing a lot of playing.

Politics? Not too much other than in township politics, but most all were church goers, some such as Adam finding Christ not long before passing when Elder DC Campbell of the White Church baptized him in October 1897.

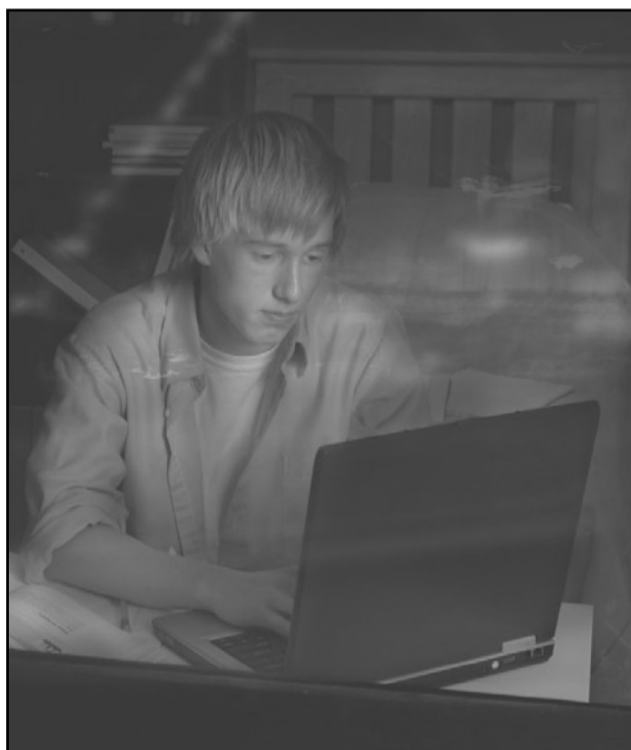
Service? I only found two - likely more - but John Adam would be happy that, John Saidla joined the US Navy at the end of May 1901 and cruised around the World; however, at his arrival in NY he was discharged due to his eyes deteriorating. He was perfectly satisfied with the experience though, but was glad to spend Christmas eating his momma's home cooking in the "best place in the whole wide world - Darlington, Indiana!" Sadly, Collyn Saidla, Jr, a member of the Valparaiso Civil Air Patrol was fatally injured in Porter County when his 65-horse powered Piper Cub crashed. He is buried in Darlington. RIP.

Lastly, they were a close-knit family celebrating all occasions and having reunions for several decades, loving family memorabilia, as well. At their 18th reunion in

1916, the family bible having made the trip from Germany and a pair of eyeglasses that were over 200 years old were on display.

How I became interested in writing about the family is reading an article Martha F. sent me that Wayne Guthrie (loved his writings) wrote in his Indianapolis News column on 9 Nov 1953 about an interesting Saidla possession. The original John Adam Saidla using the timber from his land, built a distillery that at first set on the hillside south of the old log barn. Later, it was moved closer to Sugar Creek. Willard Anderson was the great grandson of John Adam and Catherine. In about 1900, Willard's parents lived there and at that time the distillery was used to hold grain and in good shape. When Guthrie's article was written there was no trace of it. In August of 1953, Willard Anderson decided he was finding a piece or two of it, the old home or something to represent the Saidla progenitors. Third time out searching was the charm, finding a nice piece but the wood was small, "yet he fashioned some 40 letter openers," from it, noting "Souvernir, Old Saidla Distillery, 1840" and gave one to each of his living cousins. Hope they are all still in the family and I for sure have no doubt John Adam and Catherine would be quite proud of those family gifts!

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# 'Finish The Job': Lawmakers Push For Better Higher Education Cost, Debt Data

By Leslie Bonilla Muniz  
Indiana Capital Chronicle

Indiana lawmakers on Tuesday reviewed the results of a "first-of-its-kind" request of higher education cost and debt data — and found it lacking.

The data was riddled with holes from institutions unable to submit the desired data in the correct format or within the narrow timeframe allowed, and peppered with limitations.

"I think we don't have the data to say anything at this point," said Rep. Jeff Thompson, R-Lizton, at the interim study committee on fiscal policy's sole meeting Tuesday. He is vice-chair.

Policymakers should reframe their requests and allot more time for data collection, said the nonpartisan agency tasked with conducting the analysis.

Legislators also critiqued the universities for declining to present before the committee, pointing to the institutional representatives observing silently from the back row of the room.

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**Student loan debt down**

The interim committee asked more than a half-dozen public higher education institutions for student loan debts, alumni salaries, staff salaries, program provision cost and more.

It made its initial request in August and gave the institutions — including Ivy Tech Community College, Ball State University and multiple Purdue University campuses — less than six weeks to hand over data in mid-September. But they worked up to Monday night on some elements, Indiana Legislative Services Agency Fiscal Analyst Austin Spears told lawmakers.

Spears cautioned multiple times that the institutions often defined and recorded metrics differently, complicating his agency's attempts to compare data

across institutions. Small program sizes at given degree levels also meant small — and volatile — sample sizes, he said.

Still the agency found that the average Hoosier higher education student owed less in debt in 2022 compared to a decade prior, even without accounting for inflation.

Those who obtained short-term certificates from Ivy Tech in 2012 owed more than \$8,000 on average, but 2022 graduates owed less than \$1,000 on average, according to Spears' slides. Vincennes University reported a drop from about \$11,000 in loan debt to \$8,000 during that time period.

Students who obtained long-term certificates and associate degrees in 2022 also owed less debt on average compared to 2012, also in non-inflation-adjusted dollars — except at Ball State University.

Spears noted smaller loan debt declines for bachelor's degrees, and a "mixed bag" for master's and doctoral degrees.

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**Student costs, staff pay disparities**

The Legislative Services Agency also examined the cost to students to complete different degrees, with tables noting each institution's most and least expensive programs. But even that information came with caveats.

Oddly high and low dollar amounts — like a \$40,000 short-term certification in multimedia design at the Indiana University regional campuses — prompted Spears to warn of possible "data issues."

Ball State wasn't able to provide the data required and was excluded, and Vincennes could only offer partial information.

Rep. Ed DeLaney, D-Indianapolis, also observed that the costs reported were "sticker prices."

"That's not what everyone pays," he said, after

scholarships.

What students and their families actually owe, DeLaney said, is "the essential question."

The Legislative Services Agency also collected data showing massive disparities between student-facing faculty — even excluding adjunct educators — and administrators.

Spears said formatting this information was also challenging, as some institutions may have converted faculty pay to full-time salaries differently, and may or may not have included other benefits in those calculations.

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**One school takes lawmakers up on offer**

Seven institutions submitted narratives fleshing out their data, but just one presented before the committee Tuesday, prompting rebuke from some legislators.

Ivy Tech's vice president of legal and public affairs, Mary Jane Michalak, told lawmakers the community college was working diligently to lower costs beyond just tuition and fees.

"That is a huge cost to students, and that is a cost that is not transparent to students when they ... sign up for a class," Michalak said. She cited research showing that students who can't afford materials often go without.

Ivy Tech, after years of planning, has negotiated prices for course materials, with the next school's rate set for \$17 per credit hours. Last year, even at a slightly higher rate, the program saved students nearly \$74 million.

Just 123 eligible students opted out of the initiative, according to Michalak.

She said Ivy Tech has also stopped including loans by default in student financial aid packages, and sends letter annually showing students how much in debt they've already racked up. Students are now taking out less in

loans, she said.

Lawmakers thanked her for the presentation — and turned a mild ire to those that hadn't presented.

"The offer was made to all the universities but only Ivy Tech was the one that took you up," Rep. Cherish Pryor, D-Indianapolis, said.

"That is correct. But there are several sitting in that back row back there," Chair Travis Holdman, R-Markle, said. But he noted that all had filed narratives.

"I appreciate your cover that you're offering. But I'm gonna go back to: I think it would have been nice," Pryor said. "... Particularly since a significant amount of the funding does come from the Indiana General Assembly. And it is our responsibility to be good (keepers) of the state dollars, and eight minutes is not a lot of time to ask to present for us."

The committee at first had no recommendations, but Sen. Fady Qaddoura, D-Indianapolis, said that might reflect poorly upon the body.

DeLaney advocated for an immediate update to the analysis using full data, adding that if lawmakers tried to compare the current attempt to an update two years from now, they wouldn't be comparable.

"Let's finish the job," he said.

The committee adopted a recommendation to have stakeholders convene and settle on parameters for data collection, and to hopefully have that data before the group meets again next spring.

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