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# **Campus Captures**









Top: the honor society garden by Craig Newsom

Left: Hannah Carrier at the Model EU. (Leif Hoffmann)

Bottem left: morning light on campus by Jadence Gingerich

Right: Photos from Jadelyn Barrow









## **Campus Captures**

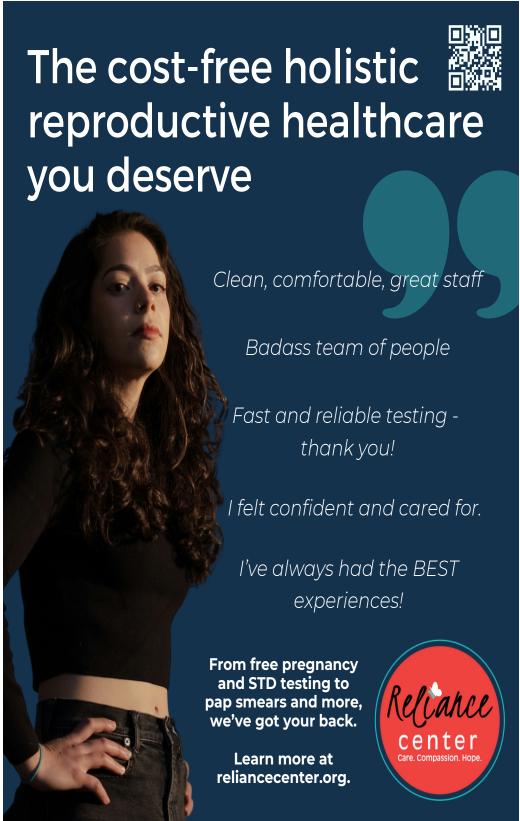








Gaming Club game night and trip to the Game-con in Moscow By Shaunasy Pashby





#### Mariah Maxwell: Brewing Joy, One Cup at a Time

By Shaunasy Pashby

Mariah Maxwell has always believed in the power of a good cup of coffee. Originally from Puyallup, Washington, she has worked in coffee shops and customer service since she was 16. Now, as the manager of Jitterz Coffee at Lewis-Clark State College, she brings her passion for coffee and community to campus.

For Mariah, coffee is more than just a beverage—it's a way to connect, brighten someone's day, and create meaningful moments. In her seven months at Jitterz, she has built strong relationships with students and staff, offering a warm smile and personalized service that make a difference.

Her dedication hasn't gone unnoticed. She was recently nominated for the prestigious Sodexo Spirit Award, an honor recognizing employees who exemplify teamwork and outstanding service. This nomination highlights Mariah's commitment to her work and the people she serves.

Beyond Jitterz, Mariah is a fulltime mom, balancing work and parenthood with dedication. Her years in the coffee industry have taught her that even a simple act of kindness—like a well-crafted latte—can leave a lasting impact.

As she continues her journey at Jitterz, Mariah remains focused on spreading warmth, fostering community, and ensuring every cup of coffee comes with a side of joy

#### **ASLCSC Constitution Update**

In a recent meeting, the ASLCSC voted to amend our constitution to follow new directives surrounding DEI policies from the state and federal governments. The ASLCSC respects and values students of all backgrounds, but due to the circumstances, it was crucial to pass this amendment. The changes will be reflected in Article I, Section 2 of the constitution. Previously, this section read "The ASLCSC shall not discriminate and shall strive to create a campus environment which understands, fosters, and embraces the expression of diversity among students, faculty, administration, and staff. Diversity encompasses differences in age, color, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, national origin, political interests, disability, race, religion, sexual orientation, socio-economic background, or veteran status." The amended section will read "The ASLCSC will not discriminate and will strive to create a campus environment which understands, fosters, and embraces the expression of global perspectives among students, faculty, administration, and

staff."

The ASLCSC now asks you, as students of LC State, to vote in favor of this amendment in the upcoming elections on April 7-11, 2025. If you are interested in further understanding why we have had to expedite this change, I encourage you to search the "Dear Colleague Letter", written by the acting Secretary of the Department of Education's Civil Rights Department. This provides explanation of the Department's interpretation of federal law and elaborates on their stance on DEI policies.

The ASLCSC always has and will continue to support students of all global perspectives. This constitutional amendment does not change that fact, rather simply changes wording. Our hearts go out to those who have been affected by this process, and we will do anything we can to help. If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to one of our members, or stop by our open meetings on Mondays at 4:30 PM in the Clubhouse (Sub/CSL 219) or online via the link in Do More.



# LC State Students Shine at West Coast Model EU Competition

#### By Shaunasy Pashby

students from Lewis-Clark where students assume roles Francisco State University, networking State College (LC State) made a remarkable impact at member states, the European land Community College. cymakers, and academics, is no barrier to excellence. the annual West Coast Model European Union (EU) Central Bank, and the Euro- have specialized EU research cational journey. With these participants for their outcompetition, held at the University of Washington. Competing against 26 teams from across the United States and Canada, LC State students demonstrated their knowledge, skills, and dedication in

Hannah Carrier and Levi Huston, representing Austria as Chancellor and Energy the prestigious Outstanding Paper Awards. Their achievemilestone, as they triumphed larger institutions, further solidifying LC State's reputanational studies. In another first for LC State, students Nathaniel Koeppel Willcoxson and Jay Raulerson successfully co-hosted the event's presidency alongside their University of Washington counterparts. Their leadership played a crucial role in the simulation, reflecting their deep underdynamics and policymaking.

This past weekend, four European Council Summit, Claremont Colleges, San national affairs. It provides continues to establish itself as representatives of EU Bellevue College, and Port- with EU specialists, poli- sciences, proving that size Commission, the European Many of these institutions further enriching their edu- Congratulations to this year's pean Parliament. This year's centers, dedicated cours- accomplishments, LC State standing achievements! competition participants with complex making LC State's victopolicy discussions, includ- ries even more impressive. ing establishing a European work for artificial intelli-

and co-hosted the event competed against teams from Union is a simulation of a oming, University of Utah, political science, and inter-

challenged es, and extensive resources,

Notably, Nathaniel Koep-Information Integrity Office pel Willcoxson has been into combat disinformation, vited to present his research an impressive performance. creating an approval frame- at the prestigious Undergraduate Research Confergence similar to prescription ence on the EU at Claremont drugs, accelerating progress Colleges in California this Minister, respectively, won towards 2050 Climate-Neu- April. He is only the third tral EU goals, and providing LC State student to receive grants for rural development this honor, and the first in a ment marks a significant and green energy projects. decade. Participation in the Since LC State first entered Model EU has provided LC over competitors from much the competition in 2013, its State students with valuable students have consistent- experience and opportunily performed well, earning ties. For instance, Dustin tion for excellence in inter- five awards before this year. Ellis, a former participant, However, this marks the first leveraged his experience to time the college has swept the gain acceptance into a doc-Outstanding Paper Awards toral program in political science at the University of an extraordinary feat for an Oregon. He now holds a teninstitution with just 3,000 ure-track faculty position at students. LC State students Eastern Oregon University.

The competition not only significantly larger institu- enhances students' undertions, including the Univer- standing of international sity of Oregon, University of relations and policymaking standing of European Union Washington, Brigham Young but also serves as a stepping University, University of stone for graduate studies The Model European Victoria, University of Wy- and careers in diplomacy,

opportunities as a powerhouse in social







Photos by Leif Hoffmann

# What's Happening In The World

#### **World News**

Canadian finance

minister Dominic

LeBlanc

announces

retaliatory tariffs

on CAD\$29.8

billion (US\$20.7

billion) of goods

from the United

States after U.S.

**President Donald** 

Trump announced

additional tariffs

Iranian supreme leader Ali Khamenei rejects negotiations with the U.S. regarding Iran's nuclear program, stating that Iran is "not

on Canadian metals. The military chiefs of all European **NATO** countries meet in Paris, France, to discuss a potential European peacekeeping force in Ukraine, alongside Ukrainian representatives. The U.S. was not involved in the meeting.

All trains running through the Gare du Nord railway station in Paris, France, including Eurostar trains from London and Brussels, are canceled due to the discovery of a World War II-era unexploded ordnance containing 440 lbs of explosives near the rail tracks near the station.

interested in nuclear weapons".

China announces implement 100% tariffs on several Canadian agricultural exports, including rapeseed and peas, and 25% tariffs on pork and aquacultural products will be implemented on March 20 in retaliation against earlier tariffs instituted by Canada on Chinese electric vehicles and metal exports.

Egyptair joins Qatar Airways and Turkish Airlines in suspending flights to Mogadishu's Aden Adde airport following a U.S. warning about a potential imminent terrorist attack on the airport.

#### **National News**

**United States** 

District Judge for

the District Court

of the District of

Columbia Amir Ali

orders the Trump

administration to

pay nearly \$2

billion in unpaid

funds for promised

**USAID** programs

that the

administration

ended

NASA launches

the SPHEREx

near-infrared

space observatory

on a Falcon 9

Block 5 spacecraft

from Vandenberg

Space Force Base

in Santa Barbara

County, California,

United States. The

SPHEREx mission

will perform a

survey of and map

approximately 450

million galaxies

across the sky in

color.

American

coffeehouse chain

Starbucks

announces that it

is cutting 1,100

iobs across its

stores in the

**United States as** 

part of cost

reduction

measures. The

company also

announces that its

menu will be

"simplified" and

shrunk by 33%.

U.S. President **Donald Trump** announces that he will raise tariffs on Canadian steel and aluminum imports from 25% to 50%

U.S. stocks experience a relatively steep drop as the Nasdaq Composite falls 4% and the S&P 500 falls 2.7%. **Economists** attribute the drop to recent all-time highs, recession fears, and concerns about a potential U.S. government shutdown and the tariffs imposed by the Trump administration.

and Customs Enforcement arrests Mahmoud Khalil, a Palestinian student who played a prominent role during pro-Palestinian protests at Columbia University, and revoke his green card and student visa.

U.S. Immigration

#### **Local News**

Joseph Nesbitt Jr. was subsequently charged with First Degree Murder and Kidnapping in the First Degree of his ex girlfriend. Bond has been set at one million dollars.

After nearly three

years in downtown Pullman, the university's Office of the President has returned to its former 422 suite in the French Administration building. The move comes as part of a larger series of reorganization efforts to ensure greater accessibility and visibility of administration

across the system.

LC State Women's

Basketball's Conquer the Court 3-on-3 tournament returns to the P1FCU Activity Center April 19. Brackets will include 3rd/4th grade, 5th/6th grade, 7th/8th grade and high school open divisions.

Riggins man arrested for felony domestic battery in the presence of a child

The U.S. Agency

for International Development is facing criticism after news broke that federal employees were reportedly told to burn or shred classified documents.

The Idaho State Police (ISP) proudly announces that 10-year-old Lillia Kaschmitter, a student at Prairie **Elementary School** in Cottonwood, was selected as the Idaho state winner of the 42nd Annual **National Missing** Children's Day Poster Contest.

Asotin-Garfield County **Employment 4 All** Holds Resource Fairs To Support High School Students With Disabilities

Michael Lee **Moody Sentenced** to Federal Prison for His Role in the Murder of Rosenda Strong

# **Weather Facts**

About 40 Million Lightning Strikes Happen In The **United States** Each Year This means lightning hits the ground roughly 76 times each minute.

The Coldest Place On Earth Is -135.8°F At The East Antarctic Plateau In Antarctica

The National Severe Storms Laboratory (NSSL) explains that thundersnow is more likely to occur above a warm front when there's high moisture above the Earth's surface.

The U.S. **Geological Survey** explains that raindrops can range from small spheres one millimeter wide to larger hamburger bun-shaped droplets three millimeters wide and even distorted parachute shapes in some cases.

Contrary to popular belief, clouds aren't made of gas. NASA explains that they're made of a mixture of dry air, liquid water drops, and ice particles. The exact makeup depends on the specific type of cloud

Red rain occurs when large amounts of red dust get mixed with water droplets in rain clouds, which can happen after a large dust or wind storm, as explained by the **UK's National** Meteorological Service.

South Dakota is the windiest state in the country, as reported by the World Population Review. The state experiences an average wind speed of 21.3 miles per hour. On the other hand, Delaware is the least windy state, with average wind speeds of 12.9 miles per hour.

National Geographic explains causes hurricanes to spin differently in the Northern and Southern Hemispheres. Hurricanes spin counterclockwise in the North and clockwise in the South.

## Campus Calender

MAR WEEK 10

MONDAY

17

PATHFINDER MEETING @9AM

PATHFINDER ISSUE

LUCKY CHARM BRACELET MAKING @4:30 PM

GSA MEETING @6PM

TUESDAY

18

CAREER HUSTLE AFTER HOURS SUB/CSL @5PM-7PM

TRIVIAL NIGHT WITH SOCCER CLUB @6PM

PICKLEBALL LEAGUE @6PM

HAPPY SPRING

**BREAK!!!!** 

WEDNESDAY

19

MAGIC THE GATHERING IN SAC 144 @5PM

23

SOCCER CLUB OPEN FIELD @5:30PM

VOLLEYBALL CLUB OPEN GYM @7PM. THURSDAY

20

INTRAMURALS
PICKLEBALL LEAGUE
@ 6 PM - 8 PM

ASLCSC WORK
MEETING @6PM-7PM

FRIDAY

21

SATURDAY

22

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SUNDAY

SPRING BREAK FROM 23-30 NOTES:

CHECK OUT THE LC STATE DO MORE APP FOR MORE EVENTS!



APR WEEK 12

MONDAY

31

PATHFINDER MEETING @9AM

ISSUE 15 COMES
OUT!!!!

ASLCSC @4:30PM-5:30PM

SOCCER CLUB OPEN FIELD @6PM TUESDAY

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CAREER HUSTLE AFTER HOURS SUB/CSL @5PM-7PM

PICKLEBALL LEAGUE @6PM WEDNESDAY

2

GATHERINE LEARN TO PLAY AND TOURNAMENT @SPM-10PM IN SAC 144

VOLLEYBALL OPEN GYM @ 7PM THURSDAY

3

3V3 SOCCER @6PM-8PM

RODEO AND EQUINE CLUB MEETING @6PM

FRIDA

4

GSA MEETING @6PM

SATURDAY

MENS TENNIS VS

NORTHER ARIZONA @10AM-3PM

BASEBALL VS WARNER PACIFIC @NOON-6PM

COME SUPPORT YOUR FELLOW WARRIORS!!!

SUNDAY

6

BASEBALL VS WARNER PACIFIC @11AM-5PM

VOLLEYBALL OPEN GYM @7PM-9PM NOTES:

CHECK OUT THE LC STATE DO MORE APP FOR MORE EVENTS!



# Malaysia 370: Will We Ever Have The Answer?

#### By Shaunasy Pashby

Just barely over a decade ago Malaysia flight 370 disappeared. On March 8, 2014 at 2:22 a.m. the Malaysia flight 370 flying from Kuala Lumpur International in Malaysia to Beijing Capital International Airport in China and all 239 passengers and crew aboard would vanish.

Now 11 years later, with still as many questions as answers, the search is back on. Deep Sea Vision and Ocean Infinity, two companies that both specialize in deep sea exploration, photography, and recovery have decided the search is back on and hope to find the lost plane. Deep Sea Vision has recently allegedly found Ameilia Earheart's long lost plane and is excited to join the search for MH370. Both companies running on a "no find, no fee," policy. Though there is some media speculation as to if Ameilia Earhart's plane really was found. There are plenty of conspiracies around top four.

Aliens! ... or maybe time travelers. That's right. One of the leading theories is that the missing plane vanished off the face of the earth because it really did. When the plane first went down this theory was more prominent.

Mass murder - suicide. There is a fair amount of circumstantial evidence that the



plane's path and disappearance was done intentionally. This idea is backed by the transponder and tracker going offline as well as the alleged flight simulation found in the pilots home.

The plane never crashed. MH370, let's break down the This is a theory only because of the lack of evidence left from a crashing plane. Very little wreckage was found even to this day. Which brings the new question of where did the plane and passengers go?

> There was an error or malfunction that caused the plane to go down. This includes something like mass hypoxia or another error that

may have caused the pilot and the aircraft was a Boeto make an attempt at turning the plane around back to Malaysia and failing to get there.

exists and so one of the hardest parts is determining the facts from the fiction. Not just for news writers but for governments as well. With so many, nearly the whole world, looking for the plane and all having different pieces of the puzzle, it is difficult to collect the facts without some flex from one story to Malaysian airspace. Howevanother.

So, what do we know?

ing 777-200. The plane departed from Kuala Lumpur International Airport in Malaysia, bound for Beijing Unfortunately, the internet Capital International Airport in China, but never arrived. At 2:22 a.m., military radar lost contact with the aircraft. Roughly 40 minutes into the flight, Captain Zaharie Ahmad Shah made the final known transmission: "Good night, Malaysian three seven zero." This message was sent just before the plane exited er, the aircraft never entered Vietnam's airspace as ex-First and foremost, there pected. Among the cargo on were 239 people on board, board were lithium batteries

and a significant shipment of mangosteens, a tropical fruit. Shortly after Captain Zaharie's final transmission, plane's transponders and tracking systems went offline. The aircraft then made a sharp left turn—almost a U-turn-toward the Andaman Sea. To this day, only small fragments of the plane have been recovered, including a flaperon, but no substantial wreckage has been found, leaving the fate of MH370 one of aviation's greatest mysteries.

Which doesn't answer anything definitively. What is rumored then? There was allegedly a home flight simu-

# Malaysia 370: Will We Ever Have The Answer?

lator at the pilot's house that had the exact same flight path on it as the missing plane, ending in the Indian ocean. Secondly, there was rummer that has never been confirmed that the plane was loaded with extra fuel and oxygen. The extra fuel may have allowed the plane to fly much further than initially thought which makes the search radius much larger. The additional oxygen may have been used to flood the pilot cabin after the rest of the plane went hypoxic. Hypoxia, being something that has happened on a plane before, where the air in the plane got thin and the people on board lost consciousness.

If the plane had extra fuel on board, then the fuel tanks would need to be completely empty when the plane went down. If the plane had fuel in it still the fuel would be a huge clue as to where the plane is. If the plane crashed into the ocean, then the fuel would color the sea and mark the location. This never happened, meaning the plane either didn't go down in the sea, or it was completely empty when it did.

This is not the only strangeness that happened. There is also an alleged phone call from the copilot hours after the plane would have gone down to his daughter. She is not the only one to claim a person on flight MH370

reached out, well after the plane would have went down. This pushes the idea that maybe the plane never did go down. In addition to the strangeness of receiving phone calls from the dead, living loved ones of people on the plane frantically called the cells of those lost. These cell phones would ring through as though they were connecting. However, when a phone is turned off or destroyed, they go straight to voicemail or the disconnect message. When a phone is placed in airplane mode they do not ring. Instead they go straight to voicemail. This makes the ringing phones that much stranger. The phones aboard MH370 did not go dead but rather rang days after the plane had vanished according to some of the berived. These were called ghost calls at the time.

So what is the answer? At this point in time it is hard to say what exactly may have happened to the aircraft and the 239 souls on board. It is possible that the plane went down due to malicious intent or through a simple malfunction. In the last decade we have had little answers to this mystery. Will the discovery of the plane reveal the answer? Will it only leave us with more questions? Will they find the plane at all or will it and its secrets be lost for another decade.





## From Idaho to Texas: Warmer Weather, Fiercer Battles for LCSC Tennis

#### By Brooke Warthen

The Warriors saw back-toback action on February 28, with both teams competing on the same day. The men's team took on Eastern Washington University, securing two doubles victories and one singles win, but ultimately fell 5-2 to the Eagles. Meanwhile, the women's team delivered a commanding 7-0 sweep over the College of Idaho, setting the tone for the weekend.

Eager to continue their momentum, the women's team faced the College of Idaho once again on March 1, securing another dominant 6-1 victory to extend their winning streak. The following day, the men's team rebounded from their earlier loss with a 7-0 sweep of Whitman College, regaining confidence before heading to Texas.

The Texas Wesleyan Steve Foster Invitational is a three-day event featuring some of the top NAIA programs in the country, with 10 schools represented. The invitational brought together teams primarily from the South and Midwest, making Lewis-Clark State College the westernmost team in the field.

Competing against strong regional opponents, the Warriors opened play





on March 6, facing tough point before the match end-rain. After a late start, the opening match 7-0.

team took on Louisiana State

On March 7, the women's ranked opponent.

The final day of the In-University in Shreveport vitational, March 8, started their grit and resilience but was unable to secure a out with a delay due to the throughout the Texas Wes-

matchups on both the ed at 4-0 due to the clinch men's team capped off their men's and women's sides. rule, which stops play once tournament with a 4-2 vic-The women's team battled a team reaches four points. tory over host school Texagainst Louisiana State Uni- Meanwhile, the men's team as Wesleyan. Austin Swing versity of Alexandria but pulled off a stunning 4-3 up- delivered the clinching fell 7-0 to the NAIA pow- set over No. 12-ranked Wil- point, sealing back-to-back erhouse. Meanwhile, the liam Woods University. The wins for LCSC. The wommen's team struggled against decisive clinching point was en's match against Kansas Texas A&M University-Tex- won by Pablo Herrera Ser- Wesleyan was canceled due arkana, also dropping their na, securing an important to the rain, leaving them victory against a nationally unable to finish their final competition of the event.

The Warriors proved

leyan Invitational, battling through tough competition, long travel, and even weather delays. The men's team's upset over No. 12 William Woods and back-to-back wins to close out the event highlighted their ability to rise to the occasion, while the women's team showed dominance in their early matches and gained valuable experience against top-tier opponents.

With the season far from over, the Warriors will use this hard-fought weekend as fuel for the battles ahead. Armed with confidence, momentum, and the experience of competing against some of the nation's best. LCSC is ready to keep pushing forward, proving that they are more than just contenders—they are a force to be reckoned with.

The action is far from over, as the Warriors gear up for 14 more matches before spring break kicks off on March 24! Stay up to date with all the latest scores, highlights, and behind-thescenes moments by following the team on Instagram @lcsctennis—don't miss a moment of the season!

Photos by Brooke Warthen

## Why Are Eggs So Expensive? The Bird Flu Outbreak Behind the Price Hike

By Isaac Elonen

If you have been to the grocery store recently, you've probably witnessed the staggering increase in the price of eggs. The cost of eggs has doubled over the last year with the average going from \$2.50 to almost \$5.00 per dozen.

Over the past two years, the highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) virus has devastated egg supplies across the country and led to this rise in prices. While the effects have been seen prominently in the post-Covid era, to look at the origin of the specific bird flu strain that led to the current situation we must go back over a decade.

The virus in question is the 2.3.3.4b strain of HPAI. This strain originated in a poultry farm in South Korea. According to the World Health Organization (WHO), close tabs were kept on this strain because of its ability to jump from species to species. Nothing significant happened over the next few years.

In 2020, however, while the world was mostly focused on dealing with the Covid-19 pandemic, HPAI began to spread rapidly. It crossed most of Asia, making its way through Africa and Europe. By late 2021, it spread to the U.S, affecting farms in over 12 states.

According to Jon Co-

the virus affected enough birds that it mutated and spread to cattle and other mammals. Over the next U.S dairy economy an estimated \$59 billion dollars, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

to Antarctica in 2023, afavian species and killing hundreds of birds. In 2023 we also saw the first major hike in average egg price, peaking at \$4.80 per dozen. wards Per the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the average as increased sanitization and

hen of Science Magazine, of January 2025 was \$4.95. The Sun reported some retailers charged a whopping \$15 per dozen eggs!

Much of the increase two years, this costed the in egg prices is due to the culling of millions of hens. Once a single hen has contracted HPAI, every other hen at that farm is required This strain also spread to be put down to stop further spreading. In 2024, fecting a number of native there were over 40 million chickens that died, either directly from the virus or were forcibly put down.

> Additional efforts tocontrolling spread have ranged from

personal-protection equipment (PPE) measures to poultry vaccinations. These measures have met resistance from poultry farmers, for justified reasons. Vaccinations and increased PPE cost time and lots of extra money that would be passed on to the consumer anyway. It seems to be a lose-lose either way.

While the effect of HPAI on egg prices and the poultry industry has been severe, there are reasons for cautious optimism. Given enough time and research, working diligently to develop more effective vac-

cines and other biosecurity measures, experts may be able to curb the spread of the virus. Policymakers are also exploring ways to support farmers, balancing the need for disease prevention with economic sustainability.

Although the road ahead may be challenging, the collaboration between scientists, farmers, and policymakers offers a promising path forward — one where both food security and economic stability can coexist. Though, only time will tell.





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This issues puzzle is something special. Can you find the following words within articles of the paper?

Parenthood Antartica ghost

Socio-economic crucial top-tier

Coffee house Intramurals Notable

Bonus round, can you find the one misspelled word?

Snap a photo and tag the Pathfinderlesc insta if you find it!

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