



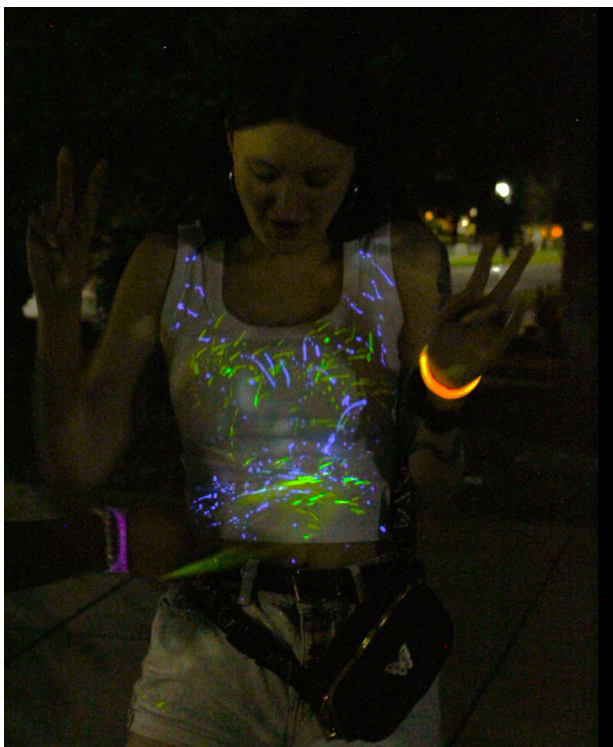
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By Lizette Ohlund

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By Jadence Gingerich

# Olympics

By Shaunasy Pashby

## Turkish Shooter Wins Silver Medal

Olympic shooter Yusuf Dikec, 51 year old Turkish athlete who made his initial debut in Beijing 2008 took the silver this year with his own kind of style. Dikec has competed in the past four Olympic events but this year he took home the silver medal and the first ever medal in shooting for Türkiye with a 10m air pistol.

Social media has gone simply crazy with this athlete's unique shooting style. Unlike many of the other olympic shooters he did not wear the professional style equipment as anyone else. The other shooters sported specialized glasses, ear protection, and special stances. The same could not be said for Dikec. At first glance one might underestimate the nearly plainly dressed man. He wore normal glasses, foam ear plugs, and— the part that really caught the attention of the media— had his hand in his pocket! He vows he is not done yet and to go for the gold at LA 2028.

## Seine River Clean Up

The Seine river has not been considered safe to swim in more than a hundred years. In 1923 the Seine was officially declared unswimmable but part of the Paris Olympics 2024's bid was to use said river for many of the olympic events. The Seine river has been polluted by many things including sewage overflow, urban development, and wastewater. This year for the summer olympics Paris has put roughly 10.5 billion dollars into cleaning and treating the Seine in hopes for the olympics swimming events to be done in it. Unfortunately they have hit some obstacles. First, heavy rains made runoff and sewage overflow flood back into the Seine and severely slowed the process. Secondly, many people protesting the government's use of funds were actively polluting the river.

Though many difficulties were hit along the way, the Marathon swimming and Triathlon events were held in the Seine River and it seems all the hard work paid off.

Medals					
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1	 United States	40	44	42	126
2	 China	40	27	24	91
3	 Japan	20	12	13	45
4	 Australia	18	19	16	53
5	 France	16	26	22	64

More stats on [olympics.com](https://olympics.com)

## 2024 Paris Summer Olympics Implements Hijab Ban

The IOC has implemented a ban on wearing hijabs during the Games, a move that has triggered widespread criticism and debate over religious freedom and inclusivity in sports.

The ban is officially justified by concerns over uniformity and safety. The IOC argues that standardizing attire helps maintain fairness and ensures all athletes are competing under the same conditions. However, this rationale has been met with backlash from those who see the hijab as a key aspect of personal and religious expression for many Muslim female athletes.

Critics argue that the ban undermines the principles of diversity and respect that are increasingly important in global sporting events. They contend that prohibiting the hijab not only marginalizes athletes who wear it but also sets a troubling precedent for religious accommodations in sports. Prominent athletes and advocacy groups have voiced concerns that the ban could discourage participation and negatively impact the Games' reputation.

Supporters of the ban assert that it's necessary to maintain safety and uniformity, but many question why the hijab has been specifically targeted when other forms of attire are not subject to similar restrictions. This has led to a broader discussion about the balance between safety regulations and the right to express one's identity and beliefs.

# Paint Party And Welcome Fair

## By Shaunasy Pashby

This year's paint party is one to be remembered. The typical paint party consists of going to the library lawn, getting covered in paint, and dancing the night away to all of the typical party lights and music. This year the weather brought its own light show. An unfortunate, mostly dry. Lightning storm landed Saturday night August 17th 2024 that forced the festivities to be moved indoors. An indoor paint party of course, means no paint.

Although the party turned out to be nothing like the participants expected it didn't stop everyone from having fun. DJ Dook (David Sporn) and Brandon Mckendrick did an absolutely fantastic job with the changing circumstances. Everyone helped move into the Aux gym and the party started. It was another great event from ASLCSC and WEB, like always.

@dookdj and @bamckendrick



Every year LC State puts on Warrior Welcome Fair. This tabling event is a great way for students to meet new clubs, find community resources and meet new friends.

This year the event took place on August 21st and we were welcomed with beautiful weather and a perfect clear sky. By ten A.M. the LC campus was alive with the bustle of college students and community members.

Students were welcomed outside of the sub as well as many other buildings on campus by tables upon tables of clubs, small businesses, corporations, and campus organizations. More than twenty different groups attended the event with a variety of swag and prizes for students to win or get.

Clubs included Trap and Skeet, Rodeo and Equine, and LC Debate among many others. This event is a great way for clubs to get out there and showcase what all they have to offer to both new students and returning students on campus.

Some of LC's favorite groups also made appearances. ASLCSC and WEB offered lots of fun and interactive games at their booths. This was a great day full of information and free goodies. Luckily the weather played nice and made for a great day.

# What's Happening In The World And Beyond

By Lizette Ohlund

## World News

The acting Governor of Kursk Oblast accuses the Ukrainian military of using chemical weapons that poisoned Russian civilians. Ukraine's State Security Service denies these claims and accuses Russia of falsifying war crimes

The first case of polio in the Gaza Strip in 25 years is confirmed, coming from an unvaccinated 10-month-old child in Deir al-Balah

Record rainfall strikes regions of the Austrian capital of Vienna with most of the city's average total summer rainfall falling in just one hour, causing significant flooding and damage throughout the city

Iranian Vice President resigns after 11 days in office, citing disappointment with his progress and the new Cabinet

The World Health Organization officially declares a new outbreak of mpox in Africa. The strain of this outbreak is different from the primary strain of the 2022-2023 mpox outbreak, which affected thirteen countries and resulted in at least 524 reported deaths, and the new strain is more lethal

BMW recalls over 720,000 vehicles due to an issue with degrading electrical connectors that could potentially cause a vehicle fire

## National News

The Double Arch, a natural arch made of 190 million-year-old rock in the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, collapses, possibly due to changing water levels and erosion

Several pro-Palestinian demonstrators are arrested after protestors clashed with police near the Israeli consulate in Chicago, on the second night of the Democratic National Convention

Independent presidential candidate Cornel West and his running mate Melina Abdullah are both disqualified from and refused entry on the 2024 Michigan Presidential Election ballot due to an improperly notarized form

The Democratic National Convention came together in Chicago Tuesday the 20th through Thursday the 22nd to nominate the candidate they want to run for president for the United States

## Local News

Idaho Fish and Game officials announced Wednesday that a whitetail deer has been detected with chronic wasting disease near Bonners Ferry in the state's panhandle

There are a record number of sockeye salmon in the Lower Snake River this year, surpassing the previous record set in 2014

LC State Center for Art and History is hosting Grape and Grain on September 13 for the first time in five years

Super China Buffet in Lewiston will be closing permanently at the end of August

Bruneau Dunes State Park is now one of 125 parks in 22 countries to be designated International Dark Sky Parks

## Space Facts

The moon orbits around Earth in a elliptical orbit, when the moon is at the point furthest away from Earth it is called an apogee. When the moon is at the closest point to Earth it is called perigee. When a perigee occurs and the moon is full it is called a super moon. The moon is closer to Earth than normal therefore it appears larger than normal, this is known as a supermoon.

A blue moon is the second full moon in a month

During a supermoon the moon can appear up to 14% larger than at its smallest

The color of the moon never changes but smoke or dust in the air make it appear red or blue

## Animal News

Governor Maura Healey signed into law a bill that ends the use of elephants, big cats, primates, giraffes, and bears in traveling exhibits and shows in Massachusetts. This safeguards wild animals from being exploited for entertainment, enduring harsh training techniques, and being subjected to extended confinement and constant transportation. Training methods such as bull hooks, whips, and electric prods will no longer be used

The Bornean elephant has been listed as Endangered on the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species due to threats posed by human activities. Around 1,000 Bornean elephants are remaining in the wild, with roughly 400 being breeding adults

Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) has confirmed the birth of a wolf pup from a pair of recently reintroduced gray wolves in Colorado. This newly established wolf family, now officially recognized as the Copper Creek Pack, marks a significant milestone in the state's reintroduction efforts

# What's Happening On Campus

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<b>FRIDAY</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">30</span>	<b>SATURDAY</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">31</span>	<b>SUNDAY</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">1</span>	<b>NOTES:</b>  CHECK OUT THE LC STATE DO MORE APP FOR MORE EVENTS!
<p>11:30AM- 12:30 PM-&gt; ASLCSC OPEN MEETING</p>		<p>7PM-8PM-&gt; VOLLEYBALL CLUB OPEN GYM</p>	

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<p>LABOR DAY CAMPUS CLOSED</p>	<p>NOON-1PM-&gt; NATIVE AMERICAN CLUB WEEKLY MEETING</p> <p>6PM-8PM -&gt; FLAG FOOTBALL</p>	<p>7PM-8PM-&gt; VOLLEYBALL CLUB OPEN GYM</p>	<p>3PM-4PM -&gt; SUB ROOM 202 HANDSHAKE 101</p> <p>6PM-8PM -&gt; FLAG FOOT BALL</p>
<b>FRIDAY</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">6</span>	<b>SATURDAY</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">7</span>	<b>SUNDAY</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">8</span>	<b>NOTES:</b>  CHECK OUT THE LC STATE DO MORE APP FOR MORE EVENTS!
<p>10:30AM-1:30PM-&gt; INTRO TO KAYAKING AND PADDLEBOARD</p> <p>11:30AM-12:30PM-&gt; ASLCSC OPENING MEETING</p>		<p>7AM-7PM-&gt; HIAWATHA BIKE RIDE</p> <p>7PM-8PM-&gt; VOLLEYBALL CLUB OPEN GYM</p>	

# Kristoff's "Empire of the Vampire" is a Refreshing New Look at the Genre

By  
Maddie Hutchison

Hello everyone and welcome back to yet another semester at LC State. The first book review of the semester is Jay Kristoff's "Empire of the Vampire." This book is not for the faint of heart, it covers many harsh realities of the world, and is macabre.

At fifty years old and 6'7", Jay Kristoff has written sixteen novels as of 2022. He was born and raised in Australia, and read frequently as a child as well as played many tabletop role playing games such as Dungeons and Dragons. He has written books for young adult readers as well as adult readers. Kristoff's current series "Empire of the Vampire" (as of now is a duology, but will later be a trilogy), is for his adult readers. He graduated from college with an Arts degree. He was a creative advisor for television before he started his literary career with the publication of "The Lotus War" trilogy in 2012, and it appears he hasn't stopped since.

Word to the wise however, Kristoff is, according to his website, an avid believer in the lack of happy endings, so if you like a character prepare for them to die.

"Empire of the Vampire" follows the story of a man named Gabriel de Leon, the last vampire hunter from a faction of half-human, half-vampires ("pale-bloods") called the Silver-saints of Saint Michon. It

opens with de Leon in a prison cell for killing the Vampire King Fabien Voss, where he has to tell his story to a vampire historian named Jean-François, as long as he tells the story, he lives, the minute he becomes of no use to the vampire, he dies.

The book follows de Leon's story, the day the world went black from a phenomenon called Daysdeath and all the vampires came out of the woodworks, how he found out he was a pale-blood, the training he had to endure, how he killed the Forever King, how he met a woman and had a child even though his Order forbade it and so on. It also follows the real reason the vampire historian, Jean-François, listens to this Silver-saint's whole story: de Leon had found the Holy Grail and it somehow slipped through his fingers. The Holy Grail is said to end Daysdeath, and the vampires want it to destroy it so the world stays dark forever.

My opinion: To start off, when it comes to books around vampires I am very picky, mainly because vampires, to me, are disgusting. I don't get the romanticization around them because all I can think about are the blood-borne pathogens they're probably carrying due to how they have to survive. Then again, I'm not going to say that your interest in vampires is wrong or bad, I'm not going to turn my nose up at what you enjoy,

I'm just explaining why I'm very picky when it comes to vampire novels.

That said, this book pleasantly surprised me. There's little romanticization around it, and there are different types of vampires which I thought was fascinating because I don't see that quite often and it's completely random when, and if, someone turns into a vampire. For example, there are these types of vampires called Wretched, which are essentially undead creatures that are driven purely on instinct. They're the vampires that are falling apart, literally: Jaws rotting away from the skull, eyes eaten and missing, some come out of the dirt with animal marks because something was eating at it before it turned. Then there's the highbloods, the pretty ones. They look put together, no rotting bones, your stereotypical vampire in a teenage love story. Then there's the "ancien," a group of highbloods that have been around for centuries and as such are incredibly hard to kill.

If I were to give this book a rating I'd say a 4-4.5 stars out of 5, only because there were some lines in there from the main character that felt a little forced in the way that the character was trying too hard to sound cool or scary. The overall world building however, in my opinion, makes up for those few sentences of dialogue.

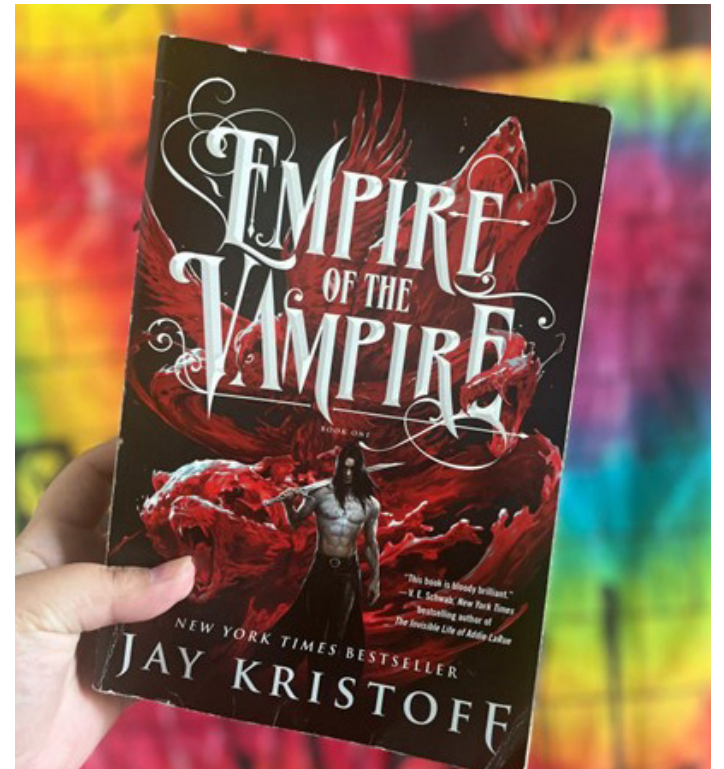


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# Train to Busan

By Shaunasy Pashby

Zombie movies are a clique that have grown and changed over the years in a lot of big ways. The original idea itself seems to have been blurred even. From the Dawn of the Dead style zombies that rise from the dead and walk after their victims to the World War-Z zombies that not only run but are more infectious than the OG zombies. In some films zombies are brain eating monsters risen from the dead and others they never fully died to begin with.

The idea of zombies has changed from a reanimated corpse that eats brains to a sci-fi lab-test-gone-wrong that is transmitted like a virus and the host does not always have to be dead to get it. Zombie movies have become more widespread with more creatures that fall under “zombie” than ever before. Train to Busan is a fantastic example of everything good about the old undead and the new. With all the same heart ache, amazing characters, and the thrill of any good K-drama.

One example of the change to the zombie nature is that these zombies

originate from a chemical mishap. These new formed zombies (which we first see in a deer before ever seeing it in people) don't hunger for brains like old school zombies either, or at least don't seem to. They do however transmit the zombie virus via bite. These zombies are particularly fast moving as well, not only do they run but the zombie outbreak takes less than five hours to have spanned all of South Korea.

Our characters, a Dad and his daughter, a husband and wife, among others, start the film in Seoul, the South Korean capital and meet after boarding a train that will end its trip in Busan, a large city on the other end of the country. This is roughly a three hour trip in the real world, this makes the two hour movie seem tense without missing too much important time. Unlike movies that span days in only two hours.

As the train moves across the country so does the up and coming zombie apocalypse. Like any zombie movie the characters have to face not only zombies at every turn but also a social and moral division. When you add in the restricted space of a train it makes everything a little more tense. Characters wind up fight-

ing not only the monsters outside the train but some within.

I was a little under impressed by the creativity in a few scenes, I found myself wondering how things could have been done differently by the character. However, for every scene that I was unimpressed with were two that surprised me. This movie progresses quickly and by three quarters of the way through the movie it leaves the audience guessing about which characters will survive. If any.



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# Word on the Street

By Shaunasy Pashby  
*of The Pathfinder*

“How was the first week on Campus?”



“I’m loving it!”

-Alexis Charleston

“My first week on campus was definitely not what I was expecting (in a good way). I have made so many genuine good connections, and I’m loving all my classes!”

-Kaylee Owens



“Honestly, it has been super great. I have had a lot of fun. And now I have a plant which I have almost killed several times.”

-Elizabeth Meyer

“First week: Exotic, meeting lots of new people and learning the way of college life after a long break from education.”

-Rae Marcy



“I liked it the staff was very friendly, food was good, and lots of great chances to meet new people, I just wish the turnout was better for events.”

-Regan Wright

# Puzzles

## Star Wars

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## Editors Welcome

It was great to see you all this first two weeks. We are excited to continue the semester and see you all around campus. Remember to download the Do-More app and stay cool in that summer heat!

- The Pathfinder Pals

## Content Contributor Spotlight



Hello, my name is Hailey Porter. I am a 19-year-old student here at LCSC majoring in special education. I plan to graduate in 2027 and start working at an undecided school. I enjoy writing poems for the student newspaper, hanging out with friends, taking photos of nature and watching movies or shows. My favorite movie genre is horror and my favorite tv show is Bluey. I decided to start writing poetry a couple years ago to escape reality and let out how I'm feeling without talking to someone else. I have a larger family consisting of my Mom, Dad, and 5 siblings including me. I have always found psychology and similar topics very fascinating and have many facts to share. I am excited to start this new school year and get one step closer to my end goal of being a teacher!