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# **Guilty plea** entered for illegal guns, child porn

Waldorf man charged by feds after 'bunker' was raided

#### By ANDREW RICHARDSON

A man found with a vast arsenal of illegal machine guns, rifles, destructive devices and an archive of child pornography, afhidden inside his Waldorf home last May, pleaded guilty in U.S. District Page A6

Court of Greenbelt on Monday.

Caleb Andrew Bailey, 31, who had been elected in the 2016 primary as a delegate to attend the Republican National ter federal agents raided Convention in support an underground bunker of Donald Trump, was

# Commissioners schedule public hearing for WCD

Ready to hear citizens' feedback on May 24

#### By MICHAEL SYKES II msykes@somdnews.com

The Watershed Conbeen a hot button issue in Charles County over the last year, but now the process is finally coming to a head.

After being approved by the Charles County Planning Commission and forwarded back to the Charles County Board of Commissioners, the plan will go through both work sessions and public servation District has hearings with the county commissioners.

During last Tuesday's

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In front from left, Jermey Forris, Caryn Fossile and Jordon Gandee, second place winners for Southern Maryland Community Resources, and Jordan Johnson and Kaelyn Ching, first place winners for Farming 4 Hunger, along with, in back from left, College of Southern Maryland President Bradley Gottfried, Dylan Hazelwood, assistant director of the Center for Engineering Concepts Development at the University of Maryland College Park, Davindeer Anand, CECD director and founder of the Neilsom Foundation, and CSM professor Thomas Luginbill, at the second annual Social Entrepreneurship Challenge Thursday.

### CSM students win \$1,500 grant for Farming 4 Hunger

Second Social Entrepreneurship Challenge pairs class with organizations

#### By JAMIE ANFENSON-COMEAU ianfenson-comeau@somdnews.com

The Benedict-based nonprofit Farming 4 Hunger has received a \$1,500 award, thanks to the hard work and entrepreneurial spirit of two College of Southern Maryland students.

Kaelyn Ching of Mechanicsville and first-place winners of CSM's Second Annual Social Entrepreneurship Challenge, held Thursday, for the development of a youth outreach program, beating out proposals by five other teams.

"They really took on the role of work- See CSM ing with Farming 4 Hunger and started Page A9

going to the farm," said Thomas Luginbill, director of CSM's Entrepreneur and Innovation Institute.

Coming in second place were Jeremy Forris, Caryn Fossile and Jordon Gandee, for their proposal for Southern Maryland Community Resources, a Solomons-based nonprofit organization that works to provide inclusive opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities in St. Mary's County. For second place, the team won a \$500 grant for SMCR.

The prize grants were paid for by the Neilom Foundation, which sponsored Jordan Johnson of Waldorf were the the event, along with the Center for Engineering Concepts Development at the University of Maryland College Park. The Neilom Foundation was founded by Professor Davinder Anand.

"They actually sponsored this entire



FILE PHOTO BY TIFFANY WATSON

Corae Young, assistant director of LifeStyles Inc. and Sandy Washington, executive director of LifeStyles, prepare for the Point In Time Survey on Jan. 25.

## Homeless invited to take part in 'My Fresh Start'

Showers available to the homeless at Waldorf West Library

#### By TIFFANY WATSON twatson@somdnews.com

Homeless individuals are now being offered a way to start their day with the "My Fresh Start" free shower program in Charles Page A9

County. LifeStyles Inc. has partnered with the Charles County Public Library to provide shower facilities once a month at the Waldorf West location for persons who are certified homeless beginning Friday, May 19.

"I am extremely excited about

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# Officials: ALICE study 'contradicts' census information

Economic development says report overstates issues in county

#### By MICHAEL SYKES II

County United Way Director Mike Bellis met with the Charles County Board of Commissioners to discuss the AL-ICE report, which captured line throughout Maryland.

The commissioners had concerns about the report's findto them because of the focus on the "negative" aspects included in the report, also stating it had Page A10

little discussion of the county's economic growth.

ALICE is an acronym for Asset Limited Income Constrained Employed, used to describe those who are working, but are close to being at the pov-

erty threshold. Darrell Brown, director of Earlier this spring, Charles Charles County's economic development department, said he and the department harbored some of those same concerns about the ALICE findings.

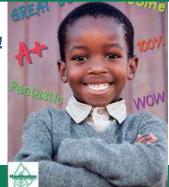
"The report does, in my view, data on citizens and families liv-require a state response, if not a ing on the edge of the poverty national response," Brown said. "The ALICE report has a misapplied and convoluted methodology which makes some asings when Bellis introduced it sumptions concerning Charles

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#### **CSM**

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class; they paid for tuition, they paid for fees, and they donated the prize money," Luginbill said.

Last year, CSM Professor Mary Beth Klinger worked with the Neilom Foundation to develop an entrepreneurship challenge for business administration students.

"Dr. Anand really liked what was going on, and said, 'I want to do this again," Luginbill said.

That led to the development of a semester-long class in social entrepreneurship, taught this year by Luginbill.

Students in the social entrepreneurship class divided into teams of two or three and worked with local nonprofits and socially invested businesses which had volunteered to participate in the class, Luginbill said.

"Every organization that is a part of this class has a social mission, and that is to do good in the community," Luginbill said.

The students spent the semester learning about the organization they were working with and developing a funding proposal.

"I threw them [the students] at the organizations, and told them, 'Start figuring out what's good, start figuring out what's bad, and see if there's anything you can do to help them. Moreso, see if there's anything you can do to help them grow," Luginbill said.

For their final project in the



STAFF PHOTOS BY JAMIE ANFENSON-COMEAU

Judges including, from left, College of Southern Maryland professor Bernice Brezina, CSM community relations coordinator Larisa Pfeiffer, Dylan Hazelwood, assistant director for the Center for Engineering Concepts Development at the University of Maryland College Park, and CSM vice president of academic affairs Eileen Abel tally scores during the second annual Social Entrepreneurship Challenge Thursday evening.

class, the students pitched their visited Farming 4 Hunger proposals to a panel of five judges, including faculty from CSM and the University of Maryland.

Proposals were judged on a 50-point scale based on five catthe solution to the problem, impact of the solution suggested, feasibility of implementation and overall presentation, Luginbill said.

Farming 4 Hunger grows vegetables to be donated to local food banks with work-release and recently released inmates comprising part of their workforce. The farm also does community and school outreach programs with the goal of educating the public about drug addiction and preventing recidivism by helping former I was going up and presenting," inmates form connections to the community.

weekly, and got to know the inmates and others who worked on the farm.

"We got everything from our experiences there, how we feel egories: defining the problem, it's impacted the community, and we feel it's beneficial," Johnson said. "It's one thing to work with your nonprofit, it's another thing to be passionate about it. I really believe in their cause, so that actually helped us in how we made our presentation."

> Ching said she was fairly confident in their presentation, but the other presentations made her nervous.

> "We knew we had a lot of good competition, so I was probably more nervous afterwards than Ching said.

Bernie Fowler Jr., founder Johnson said she and Ching of Farming 4 Hunger, said the a particular emphasis on build-



Kaelyn Ching of Mechanicsville pitches an outreach program for Farming 4 Hunger to judges during the Second Annual Social Entrepreneurship Challenge at the College of Southern Maryland Thursday evening.

work and dedication.

"They bring some great assistance, and some really great a White Plains nonprofit group ideas," Fowler said. "I'm really excited, even more, with the ern Maryland with resources. presentation and the class ending, with their engagement, that they want to continue to they were working with, Luginwork with our program afterward and engage with our nonprofit during the summer."

ipating were Circle of Angels Initiative, a Friendship-based organization to eliminated poverty and reduce risky behaviors; Digitouch, a Hollywood working to develop prosthetic for their work. fingers for amputees with a focus on veterans; Kids Into Discovering Science, an Accokeek said. "I loved the teamwork the and technology for youth, with ical thinking and the passion."



Jordan Johnson of Waldorf makes the case to judges for Farming 4 Hunger during the second annual Social Entrepreneurship Challenge at the College of Southern Maryland Thursday evening.

two students put in a lot of hard ing personal submarines to enter the International Submarine Races; and VConnections, connecting veterans in South-

> Two of the students have been hired by the organizations bill said.

Luginbill said the decision was a difficult one for the judg-Other organizations partice es, and all the presentations were excellent.

"These students have gone way out of their way on all of these projects," Luginbill said.

CSM President Brad Gottfried nonprofit technology firm commended all of the students

"It's the students that make our college special," Gottfried nonprofit focused on science you could see; I loved the crit-

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#### SHOWER

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only way we can meet the needs of those who are homeless is to work different programs, matetogether and find non-tra-rials and services for our ditional methods," said community to engage, dis-Sandy

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The Better Way to a Better Window

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"The library exists to serve the community," County Public Library System. "We offer many

of our community is a continuation of our mission and ultimately our vision said Janet Salazar, exec- of connecting everyone partnership. The utive director of Charles to endless possibilities. Our partnership with Life-Styles has allowed us to help continue the discussion about homelessness in Charles County and Washington, cover and learn. Offering to highlight the ways in

executive director of Life-showers to this segment which the library can help our community."

Every third Friday of the month from 9:30 a.m. to noon, homeless individuals will be permitted to use the showers at Waldorf West Library. The library is closed to the public during that time, said Corae Young, assis-

dous blessing here in surveys, and letting our asset when it comes to shower at Waldorf West housing the homeless Library. Later Salazar dislibrary more engaged," Young said. "For the regular basis to address Point-In-Time Survey, we used the libraries as an tant director of LifeStyles. outreach point to distrib-

"[Janet] Salazar has ute items to the homereally been a tremen-less and complete the the county and is a great homeless clients use the and wanting to have the cussed further how we can use the shower on a

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the need."

their homeless clients consistently use the library as a place to stay cool and warm, plus use the computer. Waldorf campments.

"It makes sense for our at LifeStyles Inc. to take a fort zone?" Young said. shower," Young said.

checked in, given a towel, washcloth and soap to take a shower.

said if they see the pro-communities and deal

portunity to expand.

need that's in our com-Young said many of munity. What seems like housing. something that's so ba-

collaboration to assist port them." and anything they need those in need. She said Washington and Young build trust in the tent 609-9900.

gram is being well uti- with the initial crisis of lized, there will be an op- homelessness, their outreach staff will contin-"This program will help ue to pursue every way remind people of the possible to provide them with resources, including

"LifeStyles is also trying sic, to other people it's a to encourage our homenecessity. It gives them less (by HUD standards) a fresh start. If people to become housed," can't even take a shower Young said. "We have also has many tent en- somewhere, how do we funding to help them expect them to go seek transition into permanent employment if they don't housing, so this this just clients to not have to use feel comfortable enough another mechanism or VanGo to get to our office to step out of their com- tool to encourage people to get housing. We Community agencies will help them find the Upon arrival at the li- has differing strengths, housing, secure it, move brary, individuals will be Young noted — and this in and provide follow-up just shows the value of case management to sup-

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