SMC Royal wins big at ToFarm Film Festival

A Grade 3 student of South Mansfield College won Outstanding Ensemble Performance Award at the First ToFarm Film Festival.

Alfonso Iñigo Delen of Grade 3 Empathy was also the youngest nominee in the Best Actor category in his portrayal of a young boy who dreams of graduating from school and helping his parents, as he and his siblings witness the daily struggles their parents experience. His film, “Pitong Kabang Palay,” is written and directed by Maricel Cariaga. Dreaming of a better life, the young boy counts the sacks of rice they have left, the money they need, and the little moments that led to an inevitable departure that will leave them all affected.

"The farmers and their plight have recently moved center stage in local news. It’s time that this industry does its share to help them," said award-winning filmmaker and TV director Maryo J. delos Reyes, who is also the festival director of the 1st ToFarm Film Festival Philippines, which was held from June 13 to 19, 2016 at SM Megamall and SM North EDSA. Screenings will also be done on August 24-30, 2016 at SM Cabanatuan and SM Pampanga, September 14-20, 2016 at SM Cebu and October 12-18 2016 at SM Davao.

The indie fete, copresented by The Search and Award for The Outstanding Farmers of the Philippines (ToFarm) and Universal Harvester, Incorporated, revolves around the theme “The Plight of the Farmer: His Trials and Triumphs.”

"We, as cineastes, contribute to spreading awareness on what is happening to our farmers through these films. They provide a good picture of how much help and attention the farmers need," the director pointed out. "Supporting these movies is one way of helping them."

Yñigo competed in the Best Actor category against famous veteran
PASS research activities go full blast

The P.A.S.S. or Portfolio Assessment for Students of South Mansfield College Research Program teaches the Grade 6 students the value of scientific inquiry and advancement of knowledge. It provides them opportunities to demonstrate the various competencies they acquired in the different subject areas like English (writing and organization), Science (investigatory projects/experimental research), Mathematics (statistics/graphs) and Computer.

Grade 6 students are now very busy with their PASS research. Below are some of the experimental research topics:

- Spencer Fritz Petalio—Pepper and Chili on Protein Digestion
- Laila Gabrielle de Leon—Antagonistic Behavior of Tomato against Weeds
- Mary Angelei Llamelo—Plant Diversity and Soil Composition

FLASH ANNOUNCEMENT: Make-up class set

In order for the students to meet the learning gaps that resulted from the cancellation of classes, a make-up class will be conducted on August 20, 2016 (Saturday) for Grade 1-11. Wednesday schedule will be followed. Attire will be PE uniform.
Get your teen reading

You know that reading is important, and you obviously want to make sure that your teenager grows into adulthood with all the skills he or she needs to succeed. The following is a list of ways to encourage your teens to read:

1. **Set an example.** Let your teen see you reading for pleasure and during routine activities such as reviewing letter, newspapers, and magazines.

2. **Furnish your home with a variety of reading materials.** Leave books, magazines, and newspapers around. Check to see what disappears for a clue to what interests your teenager.

3. **Give teens an opportunity to choose their own books.** When you and your teen are out together, browse in a bookstore or library. Go your separate ways and make your own selections. A bookstore gift certificate is a nice way of saying, "You choose" (http://www.rif.org/parents/tips//tip/mspx?view-18)

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**Calendar of Activities**

**August**
- 8-12—BEd Midterm Exams
- 15-19—Quiz #3
- 19—Class Standing Notice
- 16-17—Launching of VAT
- 19—Start of VAT/ALP/ASPs
- 23—"Hansel and Gretel" Cultural Show of ECED-Grade 2
- 26—Araw ng Wika Celebration @ SM Muntinlupa
- 27—IQA Training
- 29—National Heroes Day
- 29-30—Launching of Science and Math Month
- 30—Senior High School Acad Learning Experience
- 31—Senior High School Afternoon

**September**
- 03—IQA Training
- 05-08—FIRST TERM EXAMS
- 12—USSR

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**Thank you to our parents and guardians who have attended and supported our PASS Orientation!**

Looking forward to stronger collaboration with you!