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SISC EARNS FULL SIX-YEAR WASC ACCREDITATION

Southville International School and Colleges (SISC) has received accreditation for the maximum allowable duration of six years from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), USA. WASC is the regional accrediting commission for schools in California, Hawaii, the Pacific Islands, and East Asia. The mission of WASC is to assure schools meet the standards of quality education while fostering continual improvement.

In March 2018, SISC hosted a visiting evaluation team from WASC comprised of administrators and teachers from dif-

education.

During their five-day visit, the WASC team members spoke with teachers and staff, students, and members of the home and focus groups. After giving very

accreditation. In May 2018, WASC announced that it had granted a six-year accreditation term to SISC with a mid-term visit in 2020. The accreditation ensures that the school had been reviewed and critiqued to provide the highest-



SISC officers meet with the WASC accreditors to share the school's progress since the last WASC visit.

PILLAR OF STOCK INVESTING

TALKS BUSINESS AT SISC



The founder and chairman of COL Financial, the largest online stock broker in the Philippines, was the guest speaker of the second Southville International School and Colleges (SISC) Business Icon Chat held February 2, 2018. Mr. Edward Lee, who also served as Governor of the Philippine Stock Exchange, addressed members of the SISC community that included International Baccalaureate, Gr. 12 - Accountancy, Business & Management and college students, teachers, management, alumni, and parents about what it takes for everyone to elevate their financial lives through stock investing.

manage money properly, and how to thrive in stock trading.

His words resonated with the crowd who gave him a standing ovation after more than an hour-long discussion on saving and investing.



EDWARD LEE

Founder and Chairman
COL Financial Group, Inc.

series invites business and management luminaries to share their perspectives on professional success and the most pressing issues in business. Members of the SISC community then gain valuable in-



SISC leaders (from left to right) Dr. Felma Tria, Dean Carmel Villegas, Dr. Marjorie Tangog and Dr. Genevieve Ledesma-Tan welcome business icon Edward Lee.



COLLEGE BUSINESS PLAN WINS IN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS



A team from Southville International School and Colleges - College of Business, Entrepreneurship and Tourism won first place (GOLD) at the Asean Young Socialpreneurs 2017 Business Plan Competition held in Yogyakarta, Indonesia on September 15-19, 2017. The Team ZikAway of Angelee Carandang, Celine Manese and Vanessa Muñoz bested over 400 teams from Singapore, Malaysia, Cambodia, Vietnam,

oil. The fragrance of citronella oil repels mosquitoes.

The initial location for operations and distribution will be in Las Piñas City, Philippines which is abundant with the invasive water lily plants that cause floods, house pests, and destroy entire ecosystems. Therefore, the business will utilize this plant to create a product that can protect the environment and help save lives.

most,” said Angelee Carandang.

The team earlier won the Silver Award at the PolyU Innovation & Entrepreneurship Global Student Challenge 2017 held in Hong Kong on June 29, 2017. Out of 189 international teams, Team ZikAway is the only Philippine team that advanced to the semis and finals of the international business plan competition showcasing student business ideas from all over the world.

HR MAJOR NAMED ONE OF THE 2017 TOP TEN HUMAN RESOURCE STUDENTS



I believe that the core value Southville has which best describes me is Competence.

I do see myself as a very competent individual, inside and outside the school premises. I am also an extreme go-getter when it comes to opportunities,” said student achiever Coleen Natividad, remembering how Southville International School and Colleges (SISC) prepared her to become a future mover and leader of society.

Natividad’ s accomplishments and milestones include being an awardee in the Ten Outstanding Human Resource Students of the Philippines for 2017, a national nominee in the Search for the Jose



Coleen Natividad

memory of Southville was meeting new people from very diverse backgrounds. resource is multi-faceted, which requires a lot of commitment. One step to

“Southville trained me to become a professional by enforcing guidelines in school which are similar to what companies enforce in their premises,” Her committing oneself in the field of human resource is to be serious about studies. Never take for granted the education that Southville is giving you. Also, message to future Human Resource students read on current events about human



MATH WHIZZES MEDALLED FOR COUNTRY AT INTERNATIONAL MATHEMATICS CONTEST



Gwyneth Margaux Tangog of Gr. 8 - Integrity and Ervin Joshua Bautista of Gr. 5 - Contest (IMC) held in Singapore from August 4 - 7, 2017. Tangog won a gold medal while Bautista bagged a silver medal.

They were instrumental in powering the Philippines to a first medal. They were es) then Thailand with 108 medals (18 golds, 35 silvers and 55 bronzes). They were followed by Singapore, Taiwan, Malaysia, Indonesia, Vietnam, Laos, Hong Kong, Iran, South Korea, Australia and India.

The IMC is an international competition for elementary and high school students participated in by around 300 students



ERVIN JOSHUA BAUTISTA

SILVER Medalist

13TH International Mathematical Competition (IMC),



GWYNETH MARGAUX TANGOG

GOLD Medalist

13TH International Mathematical Competition (IMC),
SINGAPORE

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Righteousness
each won medals
as members of the

Philippine team to the 13th International



SISC DELEGATES BAG MAJOR AWARDS IN INTERNATIONAL MODEL UNITED NATIONS IN BEIJING



The Southville International School and Colleges (SISC) Model United Nations (MUN) delegation returned from the 10th International Model United Nations Conference in Beijing, China with top awards as the only Philippine representative. Hyo Sang Kwak was named Silver Delegate Awardee in the Paris Climate Change Summit while Choi Yoonseo was likewise

They joined more than 2000 delegates from 120 schools around the world at the Beijing Olympic Convention Center from August 3 - 6, 2017. The meet seeks to provide a unique educational

an exciting role-playing experience.

The SISC delegation was composed of Ian Luis Mercado, Isaac Lorenzo Estanislao, and Anna Carmela Rumbos. Paulmeil Ace

"The MUN is a life-changing journey that develops a stronger awareness of global issues and confidence in leading others."

experience for talented secondary school students as they learn about the United Na-

Bensani, Jeong Changjune, Choi Yonseo, Kwak Hyo Sang, and Stephen Lorenzo Salvador with their mentors, Mr. Jude



MONARCHS SHINE IN INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH ASSESSMENT



Eight students from Southville International School and Colleges received awards in the 2017 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) - English that drew over one million student entries from more than twenty countries.

10% of the takers in her level.

On the other hand, John Matthew Cabiles also of Gr. 6 - Perseverance, Rueben Maat of Gr. 9 - Compassion, and Julianne Mari Casbadillo of Gr. 10 - Commitment got the Credit Certificate for belonging in the

and Kurt Ranedielle Santos of Gr. 10 - Commitment placed in the next 45% of all participants to earn the Merit Certificate.

Conducted by Educational Assessment Australia of the University of New South

SISC VOLLEYBELLES CLAIM ISAC CROWN



The SISC girls volleyball team won the championship of the 2017 International Schools Activities Conference (ISAC) volleyball competition held in SISC from October 18 - 22, 2017. The Lady Monarchs bested teams from Cebu International School, British School - Manila, Faith Academy - Mindanao, Brent International School - Su-



REINA HISPANOAMERICANA 2017 WINWYN MARQUEZ GETS WARM SISC HOMECOMING



Southville International
School and Colleges (SISC)
welcomed its celebrated

contestant from the Philippines and Asia
to participate in the global tilt. She best-
ed 26 other delegates in the beauty pag-
eant held in Bolivia on November 4, 2017.

and gift, and reiterated her gratitude to
the entire SISC community for her South-
ville education.

alumna Reina Hispanoamericana 2017
Maria Teresita “Winwyn” Márquez
during a glittering “homecoming cere-
mony” held in Luxembourg Hall last
November 28, 2017. Marquez was wel-
comed by SISC President, Dr. Marl Fere-
nal, and by the Vice President for Aca-
demics and Research, Dr. Marjorie
Tangog.

Students from Grade School and High
School, and beneficiaries of the Save a
Poor Urban Child (PoUCh) Program, gath-
ered to greet Marquez with flowers, pre-

The Reina Hispanoamericana 2017 re-
marked that she is overwhelmed with the

During the visit, Marquez interacted
openly with the students, signed auto-
graphs, and posed for photos with them.



Miss Hispanoamericana 2017 Winwyn Marquez (center) is acknowledged by Dr. Marl Fernal and Dr. Marjorie Tangog.



NINTH GRADER ADVANCES TO SEMIS OF ASIA'S GOT TALENT



Fitri Cerado of Gr. 9 - Harmony "the Rising Sun."
advanced to the semifinals of
Asia's Got Talent Season 2

Displaying grit and growth mindset, the
fourteen-year-old trained and worked



SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS PASS FRENCH CERTIFICATION TEST



Yoann Savigny of Gr. 12 - General Academic Strand passed the A2 Test while Giana San Buenaventura, Sancho Calderon, Makoto Inoue, Hyo Sang Kwak, Loren Padua and Kathelene Villegas hurdled the A1 Test of

Ministry of Education to validate the competency of candidates from outside France in the French language.

The test includes all the four macro skills: Reading, Writing, Speaking, and Listening. In the Reading Comprehension Test,

questions to test their comprehension. In the Writing Skills Test, they had another thirty minutes to fill out a form and write about daily life in a correspondence. In the Listening Comprehension Test, the testees had twenty minutes to listen to

questions to test their understanding. In Their certification by the French govern- life-long certification of competency in the Speaking Skills Test, they participated ment is the fruit of their Going the Extra the French language, and enriches their in a direct interview, information ex- Mile (GEM) project in Senior High School student portfolio.

where everyone is encouraged to aim

higher. It gives them an internationally recognized,



MATH TEACHERS PRESENT PAPERS IN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE



Two faculty members of the Math Department presented their research study at the 2017 International Conference of Joint Societies for Mathematics Education held on December 8 - 10, 2017 at Seoul National University, South Korea. Organized by the Korean Society of Mathematical

Mr. John Rod Balagtas discussed required knowledge.

"Introducing the Properties of the Sine Function using the Theory of Didactical Situations: A Lesson Study" which theorizes that learning occurs when students

Mr. Rikki Joi Capioso, on the other hand, talked about "A Lesson Study on Using the Concrete-Pictorial-Abstract (C-P-A) Approach in Teaching Fundamental

SISC math teachers present their innovations that other math educators can infuse into their teaching."





SISC RETAINS TITLE IN ACADEMIC OLYMPIAD



SISC delegates made a strong showing at the 2017 Southville Global Education Network' s (SGEN) Academic Olympiad held on December 7, 2017 at Stonyhurst students from the SGEN member schools namely South Mansfield College, Stonyhurst Southville International School - Batangas, Stonyhurst Southville International School - Malarayat, and SISC. tics, and Science while finishing second and third runner-up both in Impromptu Speaking. Their winnings placed SISC on top of the point standings to retain the overall



MATHLETES LEAVE MARK IN INTERNATIONAL CONTEST



Ervin Joshua Bautista and Gwyneth Margaux Tangog belonging between the 85 and 98 percentile. On the other hand, Miguel Alzona, Choi Sungmin, Chang Min Yoon, Lee Arin, Lee Somin, Juan Lobien, Antwone Ong, Etienne See and Yoo Hyung Jin earned the Credit Award for being in the top 50% of their level while Kim Sae-received the Certificate of High Distinction Award in the 2017 Australian Mathematics Competition given to students in the top 2% of their level and region. In the same competition, students in their region, of the same year level. The Australian Mathematics Competition is conducted by the Australian Mathematics Trust for students from Year 3 up to Year 12 in Australia and their equiva-



MATH WHIZZES WIN BIG IN REGIONAL CONTEST



Mathletes from Southville Myanmar, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore, Jakarta, Brunei, Timor-Leste and the Philippines. The SEAMO gathers the brightest mathematics students from Southeast Asian countries and tests their mathematical skills. Lee A Rin and Gwyneth Margaux Tangog, brought home medals from the 15th Hanoi Math Olympiad Competition.

Robert Jeremiah Rivera earned bronze medals for placing in the next 2%.

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Southville International School more Gr. 8 students from the Philippines, and Colleges (SISC) Grade 8 by finishing in first place followed by Vietnam and then China. She also added a bronze medal in the individual contest, competing at the Junior level.

Poland, Hungary, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines and host country Vietnam.

The event intended to stress the role of mathematics in national development,



KARATE TEAM BRINGS HOME MEDALS



The SISC Karate contingent from the 5th Zen Okinawan Karate Bacoor, Laguna, Muntinlupa, and Las
amassed a total of 29 medals Kobudo Tournament held on January 20, Pinaric.

(eight gold, thirteen silver and eight



Anthony Magcalas

Gold (Grade School Intermediate Kata)



Maxine Santos

Gold (High School Novice Karate & Kata)



Danielle Marquez

Gold (Nunchaku)
Silver (Advanced Kata and Sai Kata)



Stan Rivera

Gold (High School Novice Kata)



Josette Aurelio

Gold (Bo Kata and High School
Intermediate Karate Kata)
Silver (Nunchaku)
Bronze (Synchronized Kata)



Stefano De Castro

Gold (Arnis)
Bronze (High School Intermediate
Karate Kata)

**Miguel Alzona**

Silver (High School Intermediate Karate Kata, Synchronized Kata and Arnis)

**Shannen Jimenez**

Silver (High School Novice Karate Kata)

**Alexandra Jarvis**

Silver (Bo Kata and High School Intermediate Karate Kata)
Bronze (Synchronized Kata and Bo Kata)

**Charles Nyanasengeran**

Silver (Synchronized Kata)
Bronze (Arnis and Sai Kata)

**Ingrid Concepcion**

Silver (Grade School Novice Karate Kata)
Bronze (Bo Kata)

**Gianna de Mesa**

Silver (Grade School Intermediate Kata)
Bronze (Synchronized Kata)

FIFTH GRADER TO REPRESENT RP IN INT'L SCIENCE CONTEST



Ervin Joshua Bautista of Gr. 5 - Olympiad (IMSO) to be held in Zhejiang, The camp was attended by more than Righteousness was chosen as China in November 2018. Bautista earned 100 trainees vying for a slot in the inter- one of the 18 representatives a slot by excelling in the IMSO Science Selection Training Camp where he re-



TALENTS SHINE IN SISC PRODUCTION OF ANNIE



What began as an ambitious idea became a spectacular reality when Southville International School and Colleges (SISC) Basic Education students performed the stage adaptation of "Annie" on July 14, 2018 at Luxembourg Hall. Performing before an appreciative audience, stu-

her parents during the Depression Era. The show was brought to life by the immense talent and great enthusiasm of the performers. The excellent ensemble from Grade School and High School sang clearly, loudly and musically Broadway classics such as "Maybe," "It's The

"Tomorrow" while carrying out the choreography with the Preschool students.

In order to put on the successful production, the cast rehearsed each school day for months for the two performances. They went outside of their comfort zone



YOUNG GYMNAST DAZZLES IN INTERNATIONAL MEET



Chelzy Elbinias of Senior Kinder won 4 gold medals in the Bangkok Gymnastics (Moose Games) Invitational Meet held in Thailand on March 31 - April 1, 2018. She competed in the Level 1 events

Prior to the event, Elbinias already garnered 1 gold, 2 silvers and 2 bronzes in the British School Manila Gymnastics Spring Meet 2018 participated in by 15 gymnastic clubs in the country. More than fifty gymnasts competed in her lev-

MONARCHS QUALIFY FOR TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS AT YALE UNIVERSITY



ISC students made an impressive debut at the World time, the SISC contestants all qualify for known as the Scholar's Challenge, and the Global Round to be held in Barcelona, the quiz-bee style Scholar's Bowl.

Scholar's Cup – Manila Melbourne, and Kuala Lumpur.

Round 2018 by bringing home a total of

The SISC medalists who now have the

chance to attend the Global Round



Princess Mei Aguilar

Individual: silver (Writing)
Team: gold (Top Champion), silver (Writing)



Miguel Dominico Alzona

Individual: silver (Writing, Scholar's Challenge-Social Studies, Scholar's Challenge-Social Literature, Scholar's Challenge- Special Subjects, Scholar's Challenge-All Subjects, Champion Scholar)
Team: gold (Top Champion), silver (Writing, Scholar's Bowl, Top Scholar)



Mikhail Astin Alzona

Team: gold (Top Champion), silver (Writing)



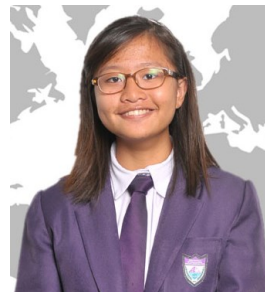
Gabrielle Anindito

Individual: gold (Writing)
Team: gold (Writing, Top Champion), silver (Scholar's Bowl)



Geoffrey Eliezer Borabien

Individual: silver (Scholar's Challenge-Science)
Team: gold (Top Champion) silver (Debate, Scholar's Bowl)



Io Carpiso

Individual: silver (Writing, Scholar's Challenge-Art)
Team: gold (Top Champion), silver (Writing, Champion Scholar)



Renz Leobert Del Rosario

Individual: gold (Writing, Scholar's Challenge-Special Subjects), silver (Scholar's Challenge-History, Scholar's Challenge-All Subjects, Champion Scholar)
Team: gold (Writing, Top Champion), silver (Scholar's Bowl)



Cuitlauzina Brianna

Individual: gold (Scholar's Challenge-Social Studies, Top Scholar, Champion Scholar), silver (Debate, Writing)
Team: gold (Top Champion), silver (Debate, Scholar's Bowl, Scholar's Challenge-Special Subjects)



Robert Constantine Rivera

Individual: gold (Champion Scholar), silver (Debate, Writing, Scholar's Challenge-Art, Scholar's Challenge-Science)
Team: gold (Debate, Scholar's Bowl, Top Champion), silver (Writing, Top Scholar)



Matthew Ezekiel Sybingco

Individual: gold (Scholar's Challenge-Special Subjects), silver (Writing, Scholar's Challenge-All Subjects, Champion Scholar)
Team: gold (Debate, Scholar's Bowl, Top Champion), silver (Writing, Top Scholar)



Akisha Julianne Cu

Individual: gold (Scholar's Challenge-Literature, Champion Scholar), silver (Debate, Writing)
Team: gold (Debate, Scholar's Bowl, Top Champion), silver (Writing, Top Scholar)



Makoto Inoue

Individual: silver (Debate, Scholar's Challenge-Special Subjects)
Team: gold (Top Champion), silver (Writing, Scholar's Bowl, Top Scholar)



Jasmine Reeves

Individual: silver (Debate, Writing, Champion Scholar)
Team: gold (Top Champion), silver (Writing)



Rance Gabriel Llovido

Individual: silver (Debate, Champion Scholar)
Team: gold (Writing, Top Champion), silver (Scholar's Bowl)



Hyuk Jin Park

Individual: silver (Debate)
Team: gold (Top Champion), silver (Writing)



Nicholas James Gonzales

Team: gold (Top Champion), silver (Writing, Scholar's Bowl, Top Scholar)



Jules Genrev Catungal

Team: gold (Top Champion), silver (Writing)



Kang Kim

Individual: silver (Debate)
Team: gold (Top Champion), silver (Debate, Scholar's Bowl)

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