



PHILIPPINE PHYSICS SOCIETY (PPS)
39th Annual National Physics Seminar-Workshop/Convention
30th National Physics Olympics & 25th National Physics Fair
April 5 – 8, 2017
UNIVERSITY OF SAN CARLOS
Talamban, Cebu City
Theme: “Physics, Urbanization and Inclusive Growth”



ANNOUNCEMENT/INVITATION

Physicists, college and high school physics teachers, physics students, as well as research and development personnel in industry, are invited to participate in the **39th Annual National Physics Seminar-Workshop/Convention** with the theme **“Physics, Urbanization and Inclusive Growth”** to be held on **April 5 – 8, 2017** at the **University of San Carlos (USC), Talamban, Cebu City**. The seminar/workshop-convention incorporates the **30th National Physics Olympics** and the **25th National Physics Fair**.

The seminar-convention will feature lectures, workshops, short courses, equipment construction and utilization, exhibits, and an educational field trip. Physics teachers, physicists, industry practitioners, and physics enthusiasts are invited to contribute research papers, lectures, workshops, or demonstrations or to share their classroom/industry experience. An abstract or description of the presentation (not exceeding half of an 8½” x 11” page, single-spaced) should be received not later than **February 1, 2017** by **Dr. Gerardo C. Maxino, Physics Department, Maxino College, 6200 Dumaguete City (email: philippinephysics@yahoo.com)**. For new PPS presenters, a one-paragraph profile should accompany the abstract. For collaborative work, the presenter should be clearly indicated by an underline.

The Physics Olympics will involve the application of physics principles and use of creativity in activities/contests like paper tower, egg drop, egg transport, large barge, super magnet, bamboo bridge, master robot, water rocket, and paper airplane. There are three separate categories: teachers/professionals, college students, and high school students. The PPS Physics Olympics Manual is available online at <http://philippinephysicsociety.org>. In this convention, only the regular physics olympics will be conducted.

The Physics Fair will present investigatory physics projects by students and teachers in all levels. No monetary prizes are involved; however, Certificates of Merit will be awarded to deserving entries. Three copies of the research/project paper/report should be submitted to the undersigned on April 5, 2017. The physics fair also welcomes exhibits of instructional materials (equipment, modules, etc.), pictorials, and posters.

The registration fee is P1500. This covers seminar kit, certificates, snacks, membership fee, Philippine Physics Journal, one dinner, and an educational field trip.

Requests for reservations/accommodations or travel information should be addressed to the Convention Director: **Dr. Cherile O. Yap, Physics Department, University of San Carlos, Talamban, Cebu City 6200, email: cheryap2057@yahoo.com, cel#: 09228605038. Or Cris Baja, Secretary, Physics Dept., USC, landline: (032)2300100 loc. 145.** Please email your preliminary confirmation of participation to the convention director not later than February 28, 2017.

Some equipment may be purchased during the convention, with costs ranging from P300 and higher.

Articles or notes for the *Philippine Physics Journal* (Vol. 39) should reach the undersigned not later than January 15, 2017. Contributions may deal with research, instruction/education, physics and society, apparatus construction, laboratory experiment, literature or equipment review, and computational physics. Contributions may be submitted as email attachment to philippinephysics@yahoo.com. Preferably, they should be in two columns, single-spaced, with font size comparable to 12 pts Times New Roman, 8½” x 11” page with 1” margin all-around, black and white illustrations, not more than 10 pages, Libre/Open Office (i.e. Ubuntu) or Microsoft Word. Contributions should not have been previously published or submitted for publication elsewhere. All submissions go through the processes of refereeing and editing. Contributions received late or unable to complete the editing process in time for publication will be considered for Volume 40 (2018).

For more information, please visit the PPS official website: <http://philippinephysicsociety.org>.

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