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43RD ANNUAL BIOTA NATIONAL CONVENTION AND SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. The Biology Teachers Association of the Philippines, Inc. (BIOTA-Phils., Inc.) in cooperation with the University of La Salette, the Department of Education (DepED), and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), will hold its 43rd Annual BIOTA National Convention and Scientific Sessions on April 10-12, 2008 at the University of La Salette, Santiago City, Isabela.

2. The theme of this year's convention is **"The Century of Biology: A Celebration of Life"**. The major activities consist of plenary sessions, scientific seminars, demonstrations, hands-on activities, and poster and commercial exhibits. These activities are designed to:

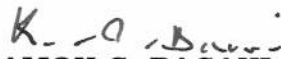
- a. update teachers on the current events in Biology Education in this Century of Biology as it ushers the revolutionary trends to help meet the challenges threatening humankind and the environment;
- b. stress the role of Biology teachers in promoting interest, understanding, and appreciation of the biological sciences;
- c. identify effective ways by which contemporary teaching approaches and practical research methods can be integrated into the Biology course at the different educational levels; and
- d. provide a venue for teachers to share their knowledge, research works and other creative activities, experiences and teaching innovations that may help improve and promote Biology education in the country.

3. Considering the relevance and importance of this annual Convention towards upgrading biology educators and/or researchers in different fields of biology, educators, professors, instructors, and teachers of public and private elementary and secondary schools are allowed to attend **on official time only**.

4. A registration fee of Three Thousand Pesos (PhP3,000.00) shall be charged each participant to cover the cost of convention materials, certificates and souvenir program, 3 days snacks, lunch and testimonial dinner.

5. For more information, please contact Prof. Rosie S. Madulid, President, BIOTA-Philippines, Inc., Biological Sciences Department, College of Science, University of Santo Tomas, España, Manila 1008 at tel. no. (02) 406-1611 loc 8297; fax no. (02) 740-9730; cellphone no. 0919-8532-533 and e-mail address redrose2846@yahoo.co.uk.

6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Undersecretary

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