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SRS HERITAGE FOUNDATION, INC.



By Walt Joseph



After many anxious, hard working months we have finally achieved Tax Exempt Status as a 501(c)(3) corporation. The SRS Heritage Foundation, Inc. can now begin to raise money to convert our vision into reality.

We have applied for our first grant from the Aiken County Local Accommodations Tax. If our grant application is successful, we will raise matching funds; the total will be used for a pre-design study of the Heritage Center and the Ellenton interpretive trail. Keep your fingers crossed. We should know about the grant by mid August.

Artifact collection at the Site continues to be a major emphasis. Most of the historic artifacts from Building 77-10A have been saved, including the entire PDP Reactor Control Room, and the PDP tank.

We are engaged in discussions with DOE about how to preserve equipment from the contamination facility in the Medical Building, 719-A. The unique equipment exemplifies not only the detailed planning for dealing with nuclear hazards but also the exemplary safety performance which never required the use of the facility.

One unexpected treasure recovered during artifact collection efforts is the original 1950 map used by the team evaluating potential sites for the plant. The map is approximately 9x14 feet and covers the eastern part of the U.S. Over 100 potential sites are plotted; many with handwritten notes by the DuPont and AEC team members. A professional paper conservator has examined the map and is preparing an estimate of the cost of conservation.

Artifacts are being stored temporarily in the Assembly Area of Building 105-C. Although this space is not ideal for the curation of artifacts, it does provide a safe, secure environment for interim storage, DOE and WSRC are working to provide an adequate facility with temperature and climate control. We hope to have a professionally trained curator on Site in a few weeks to begin cataloging and preserving artifacts.

Members are being recruited for the Board of Directors. We have several excellent commitments and plan to be able to announce the Board in July. At that time, we will have a media event to officially transition the preservation activities from the CNTA to the SRS Heritage Foundation.

Much remains to be done but we have made substantial progress in less than two years.

GOLF TOURNAMENT - IT'S GETTING CLOSER!!

Dear CNTA Member:

This note is to remind you that this year's golf tournament will be held at the Golf Club at Cedar Creek on September 30. Invitations for sponsorship and players have been sent out. Now is the time for our members to make decisions regarding their sponsorship and player participation. As you know, this tournament means a great deal to the CNTA as it is one of our most important fund-raisers for the year. Please contact Karen at the CNTA at your earliest convenience regarding your level of participation in this years' event.

Thanks in advance for your support.

Frank Shallo

Tournament Chairman

A SPECIAL "THANK YOU" to John
Pullen, long time CNTA member, who has
generously donated the latest edition of the
Glossary of Terms in Nuclear Science and
Technology published by the American
Nuclear Society

GREAT NEWS!!!

It has been decided that CNTA will sell advertising in our quarterly CNTAware newsletter as a convenience to our sponsors and friends. We will be sending information to all our corporate and business sponsors, however, if you are an individual member who owns a business, you are welcome to place an ad in the newsletter also.

Cost of running the ads are very reasonable and you can also select to run the ad for the whole year at a discounted price.

Call the office to see how you can get your business or organization ad in our quarterly newsletter that is mailed to all our members and sponsors.

Please see the attached insert for information.

UP & ATOM BREAKFASTS ATTENDED BY MANY





Dr. Dale Klein, Guest Speaker(L) and State Representative Skipper Perry

Dr. Dale Klein, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Nuclear Chemical and Biological Defense Programs was our quest speaker at the May 17th Up & Atom Breakfast. This breakfast was well received by over 100 people who found Dr. Klein's talk and slide presentation titled "The United States—Combating Weapons of Mass Destruction" very interesting.

Tiajuana Cochnauer was our guest speaker at the June 21st Up & Atom breakfast. Tiajuana is Assistant Manager of Information and External Relations for USDA Forest Service at Savannah River. Her talk was on "How the Forest Service cares for SRS land and serves you, the people". She has work at DOE headquarters and in Idaho. She

has been an educator at several levels, including Washington State Univ. She also worked with the Natural Forest System in Atlanta, and Juneau, Alaska.





THE SPEAKER'S BUREAU NEEDS YOU!

By Steve Sheetz Speaker's Bureau Chair

The Speaker's Bureau is finishing up several activities to support a concerted push for speaking engagements this fall and beyond. We've reviewed and upgraded existing talks, added several new topics and developed a new brochure to send to civic groups. We are planning to upgrade the "CNTA Speaks!" section of the website to include a complete listing of talks with brief descriptions as well as short bio's of our active speakers.

Here's where you come in. You can help CNTA in one of its core missions; educational outreach. New speakers are welcome to join the cadre. Everyone has different experiences and talents and we'd love to put you to work. Even if public speaking "isn't your thing", we have another equally important mission. That is to identify and put us in touch with your civic group, club or professional organizations, your child's science teacher or any other group that may have a need for speakers. We have a wide array of talks for just about every age group or interest. From "The ABC's of Radiation" to "The Case for Nuclear Power" to activities at the SRNL, the newest national lab; if it pertains to the nuclear industry or the Savannah River Site - we've got it covered.

Mass mailing of brochures bring in some speaking engagements, but the personal touch of our members is what brings in the largest number of opportunities. So please, I mean "PLEASE!" call Karen or Mal at the CNTA office with contacts. Remember, an educated public is less fearful and much more supportive of all things nuclear.

Please help us reach out.



Winner of the Robert Maher Scholarship

sponsored by Washington Group International and its WSRC partners

This year's winner is James Weathers, a Georgia Institute of Technology junior who is majoring in Nuclear & Radiological Engineering. James will be working this summer at Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory in their fleet support group. Since 2003, James has been the student representative and secretary for the SUNRISE Consortium. James will be congratulated at our Edward Teller Lecture/ Banquet in the fall. James feels strongly in nuclear power as an energy source and thinks energy will play an increasing role of importance in the future.

The Scholarship Committee stated that all of the applications were of high quality but the number of applications was down from last year. The application submittal will take place earlier in the year for the 2006 scholarship and communication with the financial aid offices will take place in hopes of attracting more students. We plan to develop an improved ranking system which will take financial need into account.

HELP US GROW—NEW CNTA MEMBERS NEEDED

Have you ever thought of asking friends to join CNTA? A membership drive is in full swing and we hope you will work to help us expand our member base. We are asking you to spread the word of the good work we do and why it is important to our nation and the world that we join together to ensure the truth about nuclear technology is heard.

For too long misconceptions have clouded this very important issue. Even some of our friends who live in the CSRA have little understanding of the economic impact nuclear enterprises have in our area. Since 1991, CNTA has actively promoted public knowledge on the real benefits and comparative risks of nuclear activities.

As the largest grassroots pro-nuclear educational group in the world, we are committed to being a credible, consistent voice on behalf of beneficial nuclear technologies. Through interaction with the media, community leaders, and civic organizations, CNTA is active and visible in support of Savannah River Site missions and prospective new work.

To continue as a reliable source of factual information, CNTA needs ongoing support. Consider taking a moment to encourage a friend to join us at CNTA.

By Craig Martin, Membership Chair



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Check out our new and improved website at WWW.C-N-T-A.com

DID YOU KNOW?.....

for the last 5 1/2 years CNTA has averaged sending 1 letter to the editor per week somewhere in the U.S.

The CNTA office is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday

Background Radiation—is the radioactivity in the environment including cosmic rays from space and radiation that exists everywhere-in the air, in the earth, and in man-made materials that surround us. In the U.S., most people receive 100 to 250 millirems of background radiation per year.

CNTA WELCOMES NEW CORPORATE/ BUSINESS MEMBERS:





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