

CITIZENS FOR NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY AWARENESS

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CNTA Celebrates Service to the Community

Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness (CNTA) members, young and old, gathered in the spirit of giving on December 15 at the Savannah River Site Museum. Attendees celebrated another year of giving back to the community through fellowship while also donating gift cards, non-perishable food items, paper products, needed clothing items and more to support non-profits in the Central Savannah River Area (CSRA) that serve those most in need.

The items collected will be distributed to local charitable organizations including the Cumbee Center, Golden Harvest, and ACTS (Area Churches Together Serving).

“This event is just one way CNTA gives back into our community every year. We have amazing supporters who are incredibly generous of their time and resources to this community” said CNTA’s executive director Jim Marra.

In addition to their December event, CNTA provided over \$12,000 in scholarships and grants to area teachers and students in 2022. Programs such as the High School Essay Contest and the Aiken Technical College Scholarship, funded by anonymous donors, support students pursuing science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) careers.

Each year, CNTA also has dozens of supporters contribute to the Community Gift Card Program. Established in 2020, this program supports CNTA and the community through members purchasing gift cards from local businesses and donating them to be raffled off at CNTA events. Over \$1,000 was raised and spent in the CSRA this year through this program.

CNTA thanks its hundreds of members and supporters for their generous contributions this year. “Their support has enabled CNTA to enter its 32nd year of existence, allowing us to still function as the voice of truth on nuclear matters,” said Marra. “CNTA is a vital part of our unique CSRA community, and we are proud to be able to contribute back in such a meaningful way.

“We had a benchmark year in 2022, and have big plans for 2023,” Marra added. “Anyone interested in learning about our organization and our contributions to teachers, students, businesses and the community at large, are welcome to contact us. We exist as a community resource and welcome all to join us.”

CNTA is an Aiken-based charitable educational organization that provides factual information on nuclear topics and educates the public on nuclear issues. For further information, call CNTA at 803-649-3456 or e-mail cnta@bellsouth.net.