

CITIZENS FOR NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY AWARENESS

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CNTA Teaches Lifelong Learning Class

Aiken's Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness (CNTA) recently taught a class at the University of South Carolina Aiken Center for Lifelong Learning to give participants an overview of the world's current energy climate and the need for nuclear energy as a solution.

"CNTA was excited to again participate in the Lifelong Learning program," said Marra. "The class was full of eager learners, and we had a lot of good discussion during the three-day session."

Titled "Energy Supply and the Promise of Nuclear," the course was led by CNTA Executive Director Dr. Jim Marra, CNTA Board of Directors Chair Steve Sheetz, and CNTA Board of Directors Member Joel Leopard. The classes provided an overview of the challenges pertaining to energy supply, security, and impact on the environment.

Approximately 25 people attended this three-day course for an hour each day. The first day featured Marra, a retiree from the Savannah River National Laboratory and a frequent subject matter expert for the United Nations International Atomic Energy Agency. Marra introduced energy issues and the need for alternative and cleaner energy sources as well as near- and long-term alternatives. Sheetz, who works for TechSource, Inc. to provide consultation on SRS missions, provided an overview of the current energy climate and the ways that nuclear energy is answering the charge. The final session was led by Leopard, who serves as a Communications Coordinator for Southern Nuclear. He provided an overview of the process leading to deployment of Plant Vogtle's Units 3 & 4 in 2023.

"The class was excellent, and I would like to give a shout out to the speaker from Southern Nuclear. He gave a simple explanation on how nuclear reactors work and provided an overview of the exciting events at Plant Vogtle with the soon start-up of Units 3 and 4," said one attendee.

CNTA is proud to support the Center for Lifelong Learning and its mission to provide continuing education opportunities for adults in the CSRA. CNTA teaches one class each spring. Presentations and other resources from the class can be found here: <https://cntaware.org/lifelong-learning-resources/>

You can find more information on the Center for Lifelong Learning here: [CLL Home](#)

CNTA is an Aiken-based charitable educational organization dedicated to providing factual information about nuclear topics and educating the public on nuclear issues. For further information, call CNTA at 803-649-3456 or e-mail at office@cntaware.org.



Caption – CNTA Board of Directors Chair Steve Sheetz talks to the classroom of Lifelong Learning Students about the ways that nuclear is answering the charge of the current energy climate.