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**SAVANNAH RIVER SITE INTERNS LIGHT UP
CNTA UP AND ATOM BREAKFAST**

Three college interns from the Savannah River Site (SRS) were the keynote speakers at the July Up & Atom Breakfast hosted by Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness (CNTA).

In one of the largest breakfast event turnouts for the year, the three interns discussed their summer projects, what they learned, and what their company's intern programs have meant for them. More than 300 students interned this summer across SRS.

The three presenters, representing three SRS contractors, were Justin Vu Le from Savannah River Mission Completion, Zaire Shaw from Savannah River National Laboratory, and Neal Thakkar from Savannah River Nuclear Solutions.

In addition to presenting their work to the audience, the three interns also participated in a question-and-answer session where they offered insights on their work, personal backgrounds, and how to reach younger people with the message that the nuclear industry is a good career choice.

Dr. Allison Hamilton Molnar, who was introduced at the breakfast as the new CNTA Executive Director, said this year's presenters helped open the eyes of those attending by showing the depth of their knowledge and passion for what they do.

"Each year, it seems the interns who present at this annual breakfast are showing more and more of their talents," Dr. Hamilton Molnar said. "We are proud that these passionate young people, and many like them, are the generation that will take all-things nuclear to the next level."

The breakfast was held at Newberry Hall in Aiken.

CNTA is an Aiken-based charitable educational organization dedicated to providing factual information about nuclear topics and educating the public on nuclear issues. The Up & Atom breakfasts are one of many educational projects sponsored by CNTA. Other projects include an essay contest, the annual Edward Teller Lecture and Banquet, an interactive nucleus exhibit at

the Ruth Patrick Science Education Center, a speaker's bureau, and periodic teachers workshops that assist middle and high school teachers in bringing nuclear science topics into the classroom.

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From Left: Interns Justin Vu Le from Savannah River Mission Completion, Zaire Shaw from Savannah River National Laboratory, and Neal Thakkar from Savannah River Nuclear Solutions were all recently featured at a CNTA Up & Atom Breakfast.