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Aiken Young Professionals and CNTA Partner for Networking Event

Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness (CNTA) and the Savannah River Site (SRS) Museum recently hosted the 2024 Kickoff Event for Aiken Young Professionals (AYP), a part of the Aiken Chamber of Commerce.

“This kickoff event presents an invaluable opportunity for young professionals to converge, connect and collaborate,” said Kristen Laird, Director of First Impressions for the Aiken Chamber of Commerce. “Our goal is to bring together members from all types of professions, enabling them to develop both socially and professionally, while introducing them to all that Aiken has to offer.”

The event was tailored for young adults ages 22-39 and offered a chance for guests to interact with the museum’s exhibits and learn more about the history of SRS. The event was attended by 120 people.

“The event was a fantastic opportunity to learn more about those working in numerous fields of study that might lead to future interdisciplinary collaborations and scientific efforts, said Cyber Analyst and Space Scientist Rachel Jones with Savannah River National Laboratory. “I am hopeful that similar events can be hosted in the future.”

CNTA Executive Director Allison Hamilton Molnar said the evening served a dual purpose. “The networking event gave us an opportunity to introduce CNTA and its important mission to members of the Aiken Chamber’s Young Professionals, while also allowing CNTA Young Professionals to make connections with people from different industries,” she said. “We are proud, long-time members of the Aiken Community and look forward to seeing the direction our rising young professionals take us in the future.”

President and owner of EGS Inc, Britni Pflieger, attended the event. EGS is sponsoring AYP for the Chamber this year.

"AYP’s January event was a beautiful example of how the collaboration between two groups, AYP and CNTA, in the Aiken community could come together in the most impactful way possible. Both groups have a similar focus of growing and educating young professionals. With Savannah River Site being one of the largest employers in the area, the event being hosted at the SRS Museum was a relaxed and casual way of introducing Aiken’s historic past and **Savannah**

River Site's contributions to it. I look forward to the continued investment from both groups in our next generation of future leaders.

AYP is a young professionals' network established to attract, retain and engage other young professionals. A program of the Aiken Chamber of Commerce, AYP is dedicated to helping establish a young professional community in Aiken. For more information, visit www.aikenchamber.net/ayp.html

CNTA is an Aiken-based charitable educational organization dedicated to providing factual information about nuclear topics and educating the public on nuclear issues. For more information on CNTA, including how to join, visit www.cntaware.org

To learn more about the SRS Museum and see visiting hours, visit www.srsheritagemuseum.org/



