CITIZENS FOR NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY AWARENESS

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CNTA Holds 12th Annual Member Meeting

Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness (CNTA), the area's non-profit organization for nuclear education, recently held its membership appreciation night and annual meeting on March 21.

Held at Newberry Hall in Aiken, the event highlighted the exciting progress CNTA made in 2023. Some of the accomplishments included:

- Celebrating 32 years of being the voice of truth on nuclear matters across the Central Savannah River Area:
- Interacting with thousands of community members, educators, and students at multiple STEM events, six Up & Atom breakfasts, celebrated five years of outreach to young professionals in the nuclear industry, held two DOE summer courses, and a Lifelong Learning class at the University of South Carolina Aiken:
- Reaching over 30,000 households by publishing the Nuclear Science Week insert in the *Aiken Standard*;
- Publishing over a dozen press releases and news articles in local/regional news outlets;
- Awarding more than \$14,000 in scholarships and grants to area students and teachers;
- Raising over \$11,000 for young professional outreach;
- Hosting the 32nd Annual Teller Lecture & Banquet at the Amentum Performing Arts Center in downtown Aiken with the Honorable Joyce Connery, chair of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board;
- Hosting the 21st Annual CNTA Charity Golf Tournament;
- Holding the 2023 CNTA Young Professionals Oyster Roast and Low Country Boil; and
- Continuing to expand CNTA's social media outreach on Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, YouTube, and Instagram.

CNTA offers free memberships to Students and Young Professionals (under 40), and to K -12 Educators to further CNTA's outreach to these key educational partners.

"We had another successful year advocating for nuclear technologies thanks to our volunteers, members and our company sponsors," said CNTA Executive Director Allison Hamilton Molnar. "We look forward to growing our grass-roots organization and helping spread the facts about nuclear technologies to our communities in 2024."

Upcoming events include the 2024 Charity Golf Tournament at Houndslake Country Club, May 10; and CNTA Night at the Augusta Greenjackets, June 6. CNTA members will also participate in Earth Day Aiken (April 20th), and the DIG STEM Festival in Williston (May 4th).

CNTA is an Aiken-based charitable educational organization dedicated to providing factual information about nuclear topics and educating the public on nuclear issues. Follow CNTA on Facebook and Twitter,

@CNTAware. For further information, visit <u>www.CNTAaware.org</u>, call CNTA at 803-649-3456, or e-mail at <u>cnta@bellsouth.net</u>.



Caption: CNTA Board Chair Forest Mahan (left of check) and CNTA Executive Director Allison Hamilton Molnar (right of check) accept a donation to their organization from Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, presented by Senior Vice President, NNSA Pu Programs and CNTA Board Member Jimmy Angelos (center of check). Also pictured are CNTA Board Members (from left) Kenny Lee, Charlie Hansen, Lindsey MonBarren, Nick Miller, Zeus Mancilla, Jeff Allender, Mahan, Angelos, Steve Sheetz, Molnar, Daren Timmons, Aherial Polite and BooBoo Roberts.