

CNTAware



Update from Executive Director

Summer 2025 was a busy time for CNTA. We've been planning our usual fall activities as well as balancing some new projects. We are pleased to announce our new CNTA Podcast "Nuclear for Newbies" that will launch next month. Details on this project are on page 5.

CNTA is also consolidating its office space. Our address will not change, but we are reducing our office footprint, so if you have time to assist with moving boxes and furniture, let us know!

Our education committee has been working this summer to revamp our education outreach activities with funds raised in memory of Dan Iverson. We hope to launch the use of these new educational tools later this year.

The communications committee is currently laying out the first annual NSW (Nuclear Science Week) Magazine! This effort is replacing our NSW Insert we have published for over a decade with *The Aiken Standard*.

The board of directors of CNTA approved new bylaws last year, and it is time for nominations to our Board of Directors. For information on what it takes to be a board member, and details on the nomination process visit: <https://cntaware.org/board-of-directors-information/>.

This organization is 34 years old, and has always existed because YOU, the membership, support our mission. So thank you to all who share our mission to be the voice of truth on nuclear matters!

-Allison

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Education Committee Updates

CNTA's education committee has been busy this summer. Some of the things they accomplished are:

- Sponsored, and exhibited at DIG's STEM Festival in Williston
- Discussed nuclear in space exploration at Family Earth & Sky Night
- Coordinated classes with the Center for Lifelong Learning
- Communicated with teachers who won educator grants in 2025 and have utilized their funds
- Planned the 2026 essay contest and educator grants program
- Coordinated the SRMC Scholarship
- Plans to revamp our education outreach activities
- Taught a class with the DOE MSI Students
- Awarded our High School Essay Contest students

CNTA also thanks our outgoing Education Committee Chair Aherial Polite Drayton for her years of leadership and welcomes our incoming chair Amber Bolen!



SRMC Science Scholarship

2025 saw CNTA partner with SRMC to launch our new SRMC Science Scholarship. This \$10,000 scholarship is replacing the Maher Memorial Scholarship.

The applicants this year come from schools ranging from the University of Georgia, the University of South Carolina– Columbia and Aiken, Georgia Institute of Technology, South Carolina State University, Kennesaw State University and more! Over 10 universities in South Carolina and Georgia had students apply for the scholarship.

The entries are currently with the judging panel. We anticipate announcing a winner of the scholarship in early September. They will be invited to attend the 34th Annual Teller Lecture in November to be recognized!

Many thanks to the volunteer judges, the university administrators and faculty who helped promote the award, and to SRMC for continuing to support our next generation of workers!

SRMC Science Scholarship

This is a \$10,000 scholarship that will be awarded to a Junior or Senior at a college or university in South Carolina or Georgia who demonstrates an outstanding academic achievement in science and engineering degrees that support work conducted in the fields of nuclear technology and nuclear waste cleanup

Iverson Memorial Funds

Dan Iverson passed away on April 16, 2025. Dan had a remarkable 45-year career at SRS with most of his time spent working at the Defense Waste Processing Facility. To those who knew Dan, he was known as “Mr. Melter” at DWPF, serving as a key cog in the process engineering organization. He was a ceramic engineer, graduating from Alfred University (go Saxon Warriors!). Dan mentored dozens of employees and his impact at DWPF was immeasurable.

Upon his passing, Dan’s family requested that donations in his memory be made to CNTA to enhance our education outreach opportunities. Through the generosity of his family, friends, and colleagues over \$2,000 dollars was raised. These funds will be used to improve our popular Geiger counter radiation detection demonstration through the purchase of a simulator detection kit and corresponding virtual reality system.

We are thankful for the Iverson family for honoring Dan through designation of gifts to CNTA. We know that Dan’s memory will be honored and that future students’ curiosity and inquisitiveness will be energized through this new hands-on activity!

-Jim Marra



Communications Committee Updates

This summer the Communications committee of CNTA have written and published 8 press releases and the guest column (found on pg.12).

Our communications and marketing coordinator Shelby resigned, but volunteers have stepped in to help fill that gap, especially on social media. We are also in the process of updating our website (www.cntaware.org) so if you have suggestions, let us know!

The committee also worked this summer to increase our submissions for the Distinguished Scientist Award and Nuclear Service Award. Both have submissions currently with the judges. We will announce winners later this fall!

The Community Gift Card Program for 2025 is coming to a close in September, but there is still time to donate & support CNTA's fall activities! Donate at: <https://cntaware.org/donate-support/>.

***It's not too late to donate for a chance to win!
Donations before Labor Day will be entered to
win 2 tickets to the fall Oyster Roast!***



HELP CNTA & HELP THE COMMUNITY

Our Community Gift Card Programs is back for its 5th year!

Support local business by purchasing items or gift cards & donate them to CNTA!

Donations can also be made at: <https://cntaware.org/about-us/> & CNTA will purchase gift cards from local businesses.

Contact Allison (office@cntaware.org) for details

All donations received by September 1, 2025 will be entered into a drawing for two tickets to the Fall YP Fundraiser at Palmetto Golf Club on October 11th!

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NSW Magazine

Public Engagement

CNTA participated in the following engagement activities this summer:

- ETEBA SRS Business Opportunities Forum
- SRS Professionals Expo
- SRNL Expo
- And More!

The Communications committee spent the summer gaining advertisers and collecting stories for our first annual NSW (Nuclear Science Week) Magazine. Nuclear Science Week is celebrated around the world on the third week in October.

Published by CNTA, the NSW Magazine will be available in digital format or print. Copies will be available at CNTA events and will be placed in offices across the region. If you'd like copies for your workplace, please let us know!

Publication date is expected to be October 17th, so CNTA members will be emailed a link to the digital copy during Nuclear Science Week!

Many thanks to the committee members who are helping with this project.

For more information on Nuclear Science Week and the events planned across the CSRA visit: <https://celebratensw.org/>

Information on the national and international efforts can be found at: <https://www.nuclearscienceweek.org/>

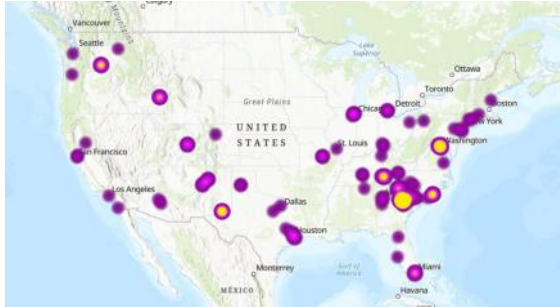
NuWaDi Grant Updates

CNTA continues to participate in the NuWaDi Consortia (Nuclear Waste Dialogue) that is part of the DOE process on addressing the storage of nuclear waste.

Two projects currently underway are:

1. Public Opinion poll-

- We have a poll collecting data on how simple changes to our terminology when discussing spent nuclear fuel impacts an individual's likelihood of being willing to learn more about the topic.
- Residents of S.C. and G.A. will be randomly sampled to create our sample.
- Beta test data collected from attendees at Waste Management have been analyzed. The heatmap above shows where our respondents lived. Go CSRA for representation!



2. "Nuclear for Newbies" Podcast-

- CNTA is creating a podcast that will focus on frequently asked questions and commonly misunderstood topics related to spent nuclear fuel, radiation, and nuclear technology more broadly.
- We hope to have our initial podcast launch in September, so keep an eye out for more information!
- If you have expertise you want to share, have experience with podcasts and video editing, or just have ideas for topics we should cover, email us!

Podcast Ideas Include:

1. Why We Care About Radiation

- Introduction: Briefly describe what radiation is, different types, and how it relates to nuclear energy.
- Health Impacts
- Environmental Concerns
- Public Perception and Trust

2. Options for Spent Nuclear Fuel

- What is Spent Nuclear Fuel?: Give a basic definition and explain why it is a concern.
- Current Storage Methods
- Long-Term Disposal Options
- Reprocessing and Recycling
- Emerging Technologies

3. How Small Modular Reactors (SMRs) are Changing the Discussion of Waste

- Introduction to SMRs: Explain what SMRs are and how they differ from traditional large nuclear reactors.
- Advantages of SMRs
- Spent Fuel from SMRs
- Integration with Waste Solutions
- Future Prospects

Young Professionals Committee Updates

CNTA young professionals coordinated the Night at the Greenjackets in June, are busy planning the fall Oyster Roast, and are helping with the new podcast!

Get your Oyster Roast Tickets NOW before they sell out & join us for an evening of food, music, and more! Tickets and sponsorships available at:

<https://cntaware.org/event/2025-oyster-roast/>

23rd Annual CNTA Charity Golf Tournament a Great Success

Congratulations to Our Winners!

- First Low Net- Parvati Government Services
 - Kelsey Forde, Tim Stirrup, John Marra, Pete Marra
- Second Low Net- Savannah River Ecology Laboratory
 - Brian Morton, Gene Rhodes, Chris McBride, David Scott
- Third Low Net- Centerra-SRS
 - Demetrick Drumming, Norris Bunch, Jimmie Crawford
- Low Gross- Wesworks
 - Jerry Faulk, Daniel Faulk, Cory Blane, Pat Cuning

The 23rd Annual CNTA Charity Golf Tournament was one of the most successful years for the fundraiser since its inception.

“We had a total of 112 golfers, participating this year,” said Allison Hamilton, CNTA Executive Director. “This tournament is a favorite for our members, volunteers, and sponsors. It’s one of CNTA’s largest fundraisers and the net proceeds of over \$35,000 this year will be help CNTA promote and educate the public on nuclear technology.”

Molnar added that CNTA was greatly appreciative of the volunteers and donors who helped make this year’s golf tournament a tremendous success. Over 40 volunteers helped throughout the day to ensure all ran smoothly. Top sponsors of this year’s event were Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, BWXT, HII, North Wind Group, Amentum and Merrick. Hole sponsors included: Security Federal; SRS Community Reuse Organization; Longenecker; Centerra-SRS; Southern Nuclear; AECON; Burns & McDonald; Parvati; OLH, Inc.; Nuclear Care Partners; SRS Museum; and the Applied Research Center.

“We couldn’t do it without the support of our business partners and members,” Molnar said. “CNTA exists as a grassroots organization, and events like these would be impossible without them.”

Team and event photos available upon request. Email office@cntaware.org for copies.

The 24th Annual CNTA Charity Golf Tournament will be held at Houndslake Country Club in Aiken, SC, on May 8, 2026. Details and team sign-up will be available in February 2026.

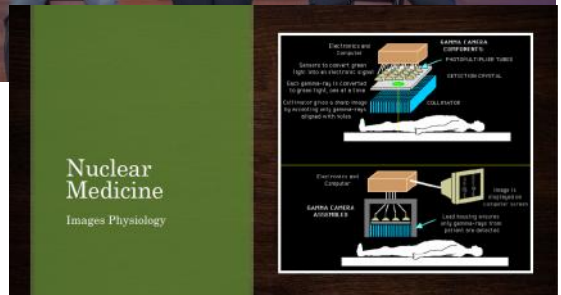


Up & Atoms

- May 15, 2025- Growing Season: Cultivating the Nuclear Medicine Field
 - Amy Yarshen, MBA, CNMT, NMT Program Director at Augusta University
- June 18, 2025- Using Innovation to Safely Accomplish the Liquid Waste Mission
 - Dr. Thomas D. Burns, Jr., President and Program Manager for Savannah River Mission Completion
- July 23, 2025- SRS Interns!
 - Alexander Smith (SRMC), Colette Towles (SRNL), and Kevin Yulkowski (SRNS)

Copies of event presentations available at:

<https://cntaware.org/previous-up-atom-speakers/>



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| Azi Samadi | Frank Heckendorn | Linda Lindler |
| Bill Molnar | Jan Cwalina | Logan Shay |
| Bill Molnar | Jim Marra | Melissa Santaella-Ramos |
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| Dan Gluvna | Kelly Canady | Susie Ferrara |
| Elliott Clark | Kelly Galvarino | Vahid Majidi |

- Founded in 1991, CNTA is a non-profit, grassroots citizen's organization.
- Our mission is to promote and defend the safe and effective uses of nuclear power, nuclear research, and nuclear medicine.
- We are the voice of expertise and knowledge in a world often influenced by inaccurate and unwarranted fear.
- We are the silent majority who support nuclear as a 'way to go green'.
- We advocate for missions at the Savannah River Site and support Plant Vogtle expansion.



Thank you all for your participation and contributions! Visit our Website to learn more about CNTA (www.cntaware.org) and follow us on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram (@CNTAaware). Remember - CNTA is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. If you would



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Aiken Standard

The museum is seeking volunteer docents passionate about the impact of SRS on Aiken's history. Docents engage visitors, share background knowledge, and occasionally assist at events. As the SRS Museum grows, so too does our team of dedicated volunteers.

Interested individuals may apply at:
<https://www.srsheritagemuseum.org/volunteer>

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Santee Cooper and Burns & McDonnell Team Up for Aiken County Transmission Upgrades

Submitted by: Burns & McDonnell

Burns & McDonnell, a 100% employee-owned engineering, architecture and construction firm, is providing engineer-procure-construct (EPC) services for a key transmission project in South Carolina. The project supports growing customer load, including a new data center in Aiken County. For owner Santee Cooper, the project involves building a new substation, expanding an existing substation, adding two 230-kV transmission lines and rebuilding a 115-kV transmission line.

The new 230-kV substation will be connected to the existing substation Aiken No. 3 with the two 230-kV transmission lines. The 16 miles of 115-kV lines being rebuilt connect Aiken No. 1 and Briggs Road and Aiken No. 1 and Aiken No. 3 substations.

The Burns & McDonnell team is executing the project in two phases. Phase 1 focused on determining and detailing scope, cost and schedule, allowing engineering work to proceed while finalizing the project scope and pricing. Long-lead equipment procurement and subcontract negotiations occurred during this phase, enabling swift contract buyouts in Phase 2. The main objective was to establish a solid project scope and prepare engineering packages for pricing materials, equipment and construction contracts.

Phase 2 includes a detailed proposal with a comprehensive schedule, execution plan and pricing for materials, construction and close-out activities. The bid selection process for procurement was a collaborative effort between the Burns & McDonnell team and Santee Cooper.

Construction began in August 2024 and is expected to be completed in late 2025.

About Burns & McDonnell

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Centerra employee to receive NNSA Contractor Security Professional of the Year Award

Submitted by: Centerra-SRS

Ryan Brady, a Security Police Officer for Centerra at the Savannah River Site, has been selected as the National Nuclear Security Administration Bradley A. Peterson Contractor Security Professional of the Year. This national award recognizes a contractor professional whose contributions to security programs within the NNSA enterprise exemplify the excellence and commitment for which NNSA is known.



SPO Brady is assigned as a K9 Officer in the Centerra-SRS Site Patrol & K9 Department, and is being recognized for his exceptional dedication, bravery and unwavering commitment to duty during the aftermath of Hurricane Helene in September 2024. When the storm hit the local area, SPO Brady prioritized the safety and well-being of a couple that was stranded on a public highway that passes through the SRS boundaries. Although he faced personal danger as the storm raged, SPO Brady remained on the scene for eight hours, trapped by fallen trees to help the stranded couple, then volunteered to remain on duty for an additional ten hours, demonstrating dedication that goes above and beyond the call of duty.

"We are extremely proud of Ryan," said Mark Bolton, Centerra's General Manager at SRS. "He jumped into action without hesitation when the storm hit, and although he faced significant personal danger, put the mission and safety of others first."

Bradley A. Peterson served as Deputy Chief of the NNSA Office of Secure Transportation and was known for his significant contributions to nuclear security. He passed away in 2012 due to injuries sustained in a car accident in Albuquerque, N.M. The Bradley A. Peterson Security Professional of the Year Award honors his exemplary service.

SPO Brady has over 11 years of experience with Centerra at SRS. The Company has provided security services for the 310-square-mile Savannah River Site since 1983.

CNTA Committee Information

Detailed information on ALL of our committees available at: <https://cntaware.org/committees/>

Communications Committee

The Communications Committee is responsible for ensuring accurate and timely information to the media, stakeholders, and the public and to reflect the goals and objectives of CNTA.

Education Committee

The goal of the Education Committee is to educate the public on the benefits, uses, and truths of nuclear technology. They oversee all education outreach activities and organize the Educator Grants Program and Essay Contest.

Young Professionals Committee

The purpose of the Young Professionals Committee is to recruit and engage young professional members by providing them with mentorship and professional development opportunities as well as raising funds to continue the free memberships.

Golf Tournament Committee

The Golf Committee is responsible for reviewing previous tournaments and planning the next annual tournament. Volunteers are needed to help plan the event and dozens of day-of volunteers make this event possible.

Glovebox fabrication underway for SRS pit production mission

Submitted by: Savannah River Nuclear Solutions

The fabrication of gloveboxes is underway for the plutonium pit production mission at the Savannah River Site (SRS).

"Gloveboxes will be a key component of pit production operations within the Savannah River Plutonium Processing Facility (SRPPF)," said Dennis Carr, president and CEO of Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS), the management and operating contractor for the site. "The early procurement and fabrication of these gloveboxes is critical to delivering completion of this project for the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) by the early 2030s."

Gloveboxes are used across the NNSA's Nuclear Security Enterprise to protect employees from exposure to radioactive material as they conduct mission-critical work in support of national security.

The plutonium pit production mission is an essential part of the NNSA's long-term strategy for nuclear stockpile sustainment. A plutonium pit is a critical component of every nuclear weapon.

SRPPF is being constructed through repurposing an unfinished facility at SRS with more than 400,000 square feet of available Hazard Category-2 space. This allows the NNSA to make use of an existing, seismically-qualified structure to meet pit production requirements.

The SRPPF project requires an incredibly complex design involving building modifications and special facility equipment procurements.

"The SRPPF Project Execution team is working to accelerate procurements and fabrication of process equipment in parallel with design maturation and early site preparation activities," said Brian Pool, SRPPF Director of Glovebox Delivery. "More than half of the several hundred gloveboxes needed for the SRPPF project have begun fabrication. This forward momentum shows the teamwork happening between SRNS, our Construction Management subcontractor Fluor, and our NNSA counterparts to deliver on this critical mission."

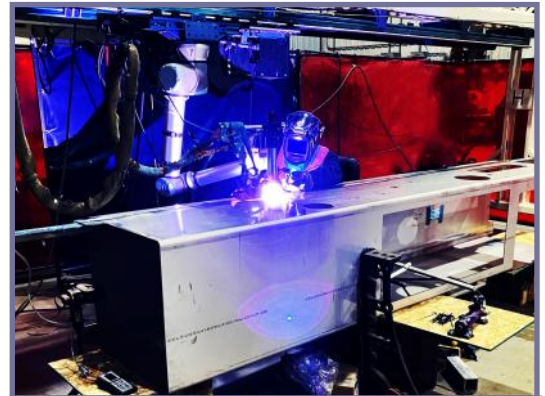
SRPPF received, in May, the first NNSA Demonstration Program glovebox which will be used in the High-Fidelity Training and Operations Center (HFTOC). The HFTOC is a facility on site that will be used to train SRPPF personnel, develop operator proficiency, and provide hands-on experience with simulated radiological controls.

"The HFTOC is an integral piece to the success of SRPPF," said Darlene Murdoch, SRNS Senior Vice President – NNSA Pit Production Operations and Programs. "We are working closely with the SRPPF project team to ensure we deliver on our commitment to achieve our modernization goals and enhance planning, training and operational readiness for the facility."

During the life of the SRPPF project, more than 4,000 craft and staff employees are expected to support construction. To support workforce needs, SRNS signed a Project Labor Agreement with the Augusta Building and Construction Trades Council.

Once constructed and operational, SRPPF is expected to require approximately 2,100 employees.

Under federal law and to meet national security requirements, NNSA must be able to produce no fewer than 80 pits per year to maintain and replenish the nuclear stockpile. The Nuclear Weapons Council endorsed NNSA's approach for supplying plutonium pits to meet stockpile requirements: a two-site strategy with SRS producing no fewer than 50 pits per year and Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico producing no fewer than 30 pits per year. This approach will provide an effective, responsive and resilient nuclear weapons infrastructure with the flexibility to adapt to shifting requirements and counter future threats.



Fabrication of gloveboxes is underway for the plutonium pit production mission at the Savannah River Site (SRS).

Established by Congress in 2000, NNSA is a semi-autonomous agency within the U.S. Department of Energy responsible for enhancing national security through the military application of nuclear science. NNSA maintains and enhances the safety, security, and effectiveness of the U.S. nuclear weapons stockpile; works to reduce the global danger from weapons of mass destruction; provides the U.S. Navy with safe and militarily effective nuclear propulsion; and responds to nuclear and radiological emergencies in the U.S. and abroad.

Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, a Fluor and HII partnership company, is responsible for the management and operations of the Department of Energy's Savannah River Site, located near Aiken, South Carolina.

CNTA is voice for nuclear understanding as SRS celebrates 75th anniversary

By Allison Hamilton Molnar, PhD, Executive Director of Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness

Published in *The Aiken Standard* on 21 June 2025

For 75 years, the Savannah River Site (SRS) has contributed to the safety of our world, and Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness is proud to support their mission by sharing the truth about nuclear technologies in our area and around the globe.

In 1991, a handful of citizens and a few companies in the Central Savannah River Area (CSRA) of South Carolina and Georgia became concerned about the volume of misleading and inaccurate allegations by adversarial organizations. The group banded together to form a nonprofit, grassroots organization that would be pro-nuclear. Called Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness, or CNTA, the organization provides educational programs and factual information about the benefits and risks of nuclear technologies.



From this small beginning, CNTA has become an organization with more than 500 individual members (and growing). Our corporate members include world-class companies, such as Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, Savannah River Mission Completion, Amentum, BWXT, Battelle Savannah River Alliance, the Centerra-SRS team, Fluor, Huntington Ingalls Industries, and others who recognize the importance of CNTA programs.

Our individual membership is made up of PhDs, nuclear engineers, representatives from the nuclear power industry, nuclear operators, and more. CNTA believes there is no one better to spread the truth than the people who live in our community and who work most closely with the nuclear industries. In addition to nuclear professionals, our membership includes legislative representatives, local business leaders, and concerned members of the community. It is through this collective group, that CNTA is the “Citizens’ Nuclear Voice.”

Since its inception, CNTA has published hundreds of news articles, opinion pieces and guest columns over the past three decades. The organization has taught thousands of students’ nuclear fundamentals and has provided over \$100,000 in scholarships and grants. In addition, CNTA has made informational presentations to hundreds of community groups.

Another major objective of CNTA is to sensitize elected officials and the public to the need of acquiring new missions for the SRS, a major component of the United States’ nuclear defense complex.

CNTA advocates specific new missions, including the Savannah River Plutonium Processing Facility (SRPPF), currently in construction at SRS. A plutonium pit is a critical component of every nuclear weapon, but the United States’ current capability to produce plutonium pits is limited. To secure the nation’s defense posture, pit production is a significant new mission, and SRS is the right place to fulfill this necessary work.

CNTA also endorses other work across SRS. For example, the liquid waste cleanup mission is critical for the Site’s future. The workers are taking legacy Cold War radioactive waste, stored in aging underground waste tanks, and turning it into a much safer form through innovative technologies, including immobilizing it in glass for the most radioactive waste and a grout for the lower-level waste, protecting people and the environment.

SRS employees have the experience, skill and capability to perform this work safely and securely.

As SRS celebrates its 75th year of service to the nation, CNTA proudly recognizes the Site’s contributions to our nation and our world and stays committed to helping support the truth about the benefits of nuclear across the CSRA.

New President Named for Savannah River Mission Completion

Submitted by: Savannah River Mission Completion

Savannah River Mission Completion (SRMC), the liquid waste contractor at the Savannah River Site (SRS), announced that Dr. Thomas Burns, Jr. was named the new President and Program Manager for the company.

Burns takes over for Dr. Dave Olson, who is retired from the project effective June 6. Olson has been the SRMC President and Program Manager since the company won the contract more than three years ago. Olson also served as president of the former SRS liquid waste contractor from 2011 to 2013.

"My time on this project work has been a great opportunity to help make a difference in a nationally significant environmental clean-up program," Olson said. "While I have enjoyed my tenure as president, I look forward to spending more time with my family."



Burns brings more than 25 years of nuclear and engineering experience to the team in the management, design, and construction and operation of complex nuclear material processing and waste disposition facilities.

"Dave Olson has set the table for us moving forward," Burns said. "We all owe him an enormous debt of gratitude for the work he has done to establish this new contract successfully."

Burns added that he wants to see the liquid waste work continue to safely accelerate.

"We are in the business of immobilizing liquid waste to protect people, the plant, and the environment," Burns said. "SRMC is the international model for the work we do, how to conduct it safely, and how to ensure the government gets the best value for the funding. I look forward to continuing to work alongside our employees to execute our mission with excellence."

Before being named President and Project Manager, Burns served as the Chief Engineer for SRMC, a position he held for more than three years. In this role, he provided solution-based engineering to support field execution. Prior to this role, he served as the Chief Engineer for the BWXT's Technical Services Group, providing overall technical leadership to the broad BWXT nuclear portfolio.

Before joining BWXT, Burns served as a Senior Vice President for Parsons Corporation, where he was the Deputy Project Manager and Director of Engineering for the SRS Salt Waste Processing Facility Project, the final key SRS facility needed to process and dispose of the legacy nuclear waste.

Burns earned his Ph.D., master's, and bachelor's degrees in nuclear engineering from the University of Virginia.

SRMC comprises parent company BWX Technologies, Inc. with partners Amentum and Fluor. Its team brings the capabilities necessary to accelerate cleanup at the U.S. Department of Energy's Savannah River Site through safe nuclear operations, optimized and integrated mission execution, and strong corporate governance.

Thank you Members!

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information is available online!**

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learn more!**

About CNTA

Mission

CNTA serves to educate the public by providing objective information on the value of nuclear technology with respect to our health, economy, environment, and national security.

Values

Through inclusiveness and engagement, CNTA and its volunteers create a voice to provide the public with factual and objective information on nuclear subjects, while also providing opportunities for its members' personal and professional growth.

Vision

CNTA will become the recognized avenue for all the collective engagement of its members in increasing the awareness and support of nuclear technology and its benefits to the public.

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CNTA's Board of Directors consists of 30 individuals committed to steering the organization as we strive to be the voice of truth on nuclear matters.

Board members serve three-year terms and are chosen by sitting board members.

The bylaws of the organization and the board meeting schedule are available on the website.

Nominations for new board members for calendar year 2026 will open in September and run until October. If you'd like more information reach out!

Amber Bolen, Ex-Officio

James Corley, Ex-Officio

Walt Joseph, Ex-Officio

Directors Emeritus

Clint Wolfe

James Marra

CNTA Staff:

Executive Director- Allison Hamilton Molnar

Nuclear Technology Advisor- James Marra

NuWaDi Project Director- Christopher Noah

As a charitable, non-profit organization, CNTA can ALWAYS use help.

Opportunities include:

- ♦ Donate Items for Raffles/ Auctions
- ♦ Donate to Our Community Gift Card Program!
- ♦ Donate to CNTA as a charitable non-profit (<https://cntaware.org/donate-support/>)
- ♦ Volunteer your time
- ♦ Get involved with a CNTA Committee (see pg. 10)
- ♦ Help the CNTA Education Committee brainstorm innovative ways to teach children about nuclear
- ♦ Help CNTA expand their reach on social media
- ♦ Volunteer to help in our Office
- ♦ Be an event-specific volunteer. We need volunteers for SEED & The Fall Fission Festival!
- ♦ Be an education committee contest judge or outreach volunteer
- ♦ Sponsor a 2026 Event or Education Outreach!

Calendar of Events

- **September 11, 2025-** Up & Atom. "SRNS – Building on a Legacy; Preparing for the Future." 7:30am at Newberry Hall in Aiken SC.
- **September 20, 2025- SEED. 10-3pm at USCA.**
- **October 11, 2025-** 7th Annual Oyster Roast & LCB. Hosted by CNTA's Young Professionals. 6:30-9pm at Palmetto Golf Club in Aiken SC.
- **October 18, 2025-** Fall Fission Festival. 1-4 pm at The Mill Parking Lot in Aiken SC. Hosted by the SRS Museum.
- **November 6, 2025-** Up & Atom featuring SRNL. 7:30am at Newberry Hall in Aiken SC.
- **November 21, 2025-** 34th Annual Teller Lecture & Banquet. "Celebrating 75 years of The Savannah River Site." 6:30pm at the Amentum Center in Aiken SC.
- **January 28, 2026-** Up & Atom "CNTA's Membership Appreciation Breakfast." 7:30am at Newberry Hall in Aiken SC.
- **May 8, 2026-** 24th Annual CNTA Charity Golf Tournament. Houndslake Country Club in Aiken SC.

More information on CNTA Events & Activities can be found on our website's events page: <https://cntaware.org/events/>

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