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Update from Executive Director

It was another busy fall season for CNTA. The Fall Oyster Roast raised over \$18,000 for our young professional and education programs, ensuring another year of free membership for students, teachers and young professionals to CNTA.

Dozens of volunteers helped CNTA achieve our mission. The Fall Fission Festival, Science Education Enrichment Day, the Oyster Roast, and the Teller Lecture could not have been possible without our dedicated supporters.

Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness was proud to partner with the Savannah River Site Museum to host our 34th Annual Teller Lecture. This historic night celebrated the 75th Anniversary of the Savannah River Site and included hearing from three individuals who were there at the start of SRS. The video of the evening is publicly available. The link is on page 7.

While we spent the Teller Lecture recognizing the history of the Savannah River Site we have also been busy looking forward. Our Nuclear for Newbies Podcast will officially launch in January. A sneak preview is on page 3.

We also published our Nuclear Science Week Magazine, which has been viewed over 100,000 times! All of CNTA's committees have been hard at work this fall fulfilling our mission to be the voice of truth on nuclear matters.

Thank you for your support in 2025, please join us in 2026 as we continue old favorites and start new programs!

-Allison Hamilton

Education Committee Updates

CNTA's education committee has been busy this fall. Some of the things accomplished include:

- Sponsored and exhibited at Science Education Enrichment Day at USC Aiken. Over 3,500 people attended the event!
- Sponsored and exhibited at the Fall Fission Festival
- Taught at a teacher workshop organized by South Carolina State University
- Launched the 2026 essay contest and educator grants program
- Finalized plans to revamp our education outreach displays and hands-on activities
- Supported DIG as they search for mentors for their middle-school students
- Educated USC Aiken public health students on the basics of radiation
- Signed an MOU with USC Aiken to support our cybersecurity and give students an opportunity to gain real-world experience



2025 ATC Nuclear Scholarship Recipient

We are proud to announce that the winner of the Aiken Technical College (ATC) Nuclear Scholarship for 2025-2026 is Tori Rutland.

Created in 2016, the recipients of this annual award are deserving second year students enrolled in a nuclear program at ATC. The faculty and staff at ATC identify the student that will receive the award.

Rutland, who is a native of North, South Carolina, is majoring in Radiation Protection Technology at ATC. She says that this scholarship will allow her to focus on academic excellence and will provide opportunities for professional growth.



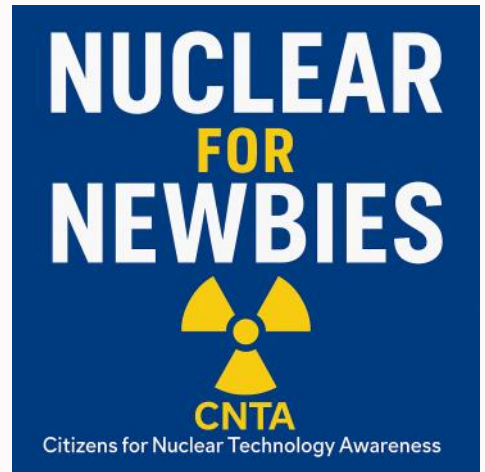
“From a career perspective, receiving a scholarship demonstrates academic merit and dedication, making me a more competitive candidate in my future profession,” she said. “It can also connect me with a network of scholars, mentors, and industry professionals, opening doors to internships, job opportunities, and further educational advancements. Ultimately, this scholarship will empower me to complete my education successfully and pursue my career ambitions with confidence, allowing me to contribute meaningfully to my field and community.”

Nuclear for Newbies Podcast

CNTA spent the fall laying the groundwork for our new podcast. The official launch will be in January, but you can find a sneak peek at: <https://youtu.be/Du5fP0tjNYc?si=4yL6PqQUW4j7cfWa>

All podcast episodes will be available on CNTA's YouTube Channel (@cntaware).

If you have ideas on what we should cover, let us know or volunteer to record one for us!



2026 Educator Grant Program & High School Essay Contest

Both the Educator Grant Program and High School Essay Contest launched in October. Entries are due to CNTA by February 28, 2026. With these programs, we help area educators with supplies they need to teach nuclear technology concepts and help high school students become educated on a nuclear topic.

This year all three essay topics relate to nuclear fields you can find in the CSRA!

Help CNTA continue these programs by becoming a sponsor today! Sponsorships of these programs start at only \$500. Contact CNTA for more information.

20th Annual ESSAY CONTEST

Calling all High School Juniors & Seniors!!

Eligibility requirements online

Write a 1,500 word essay on one of the following topics:

1. Many scientific innovations have come from the Savannah River Site, which turns 75 this year. Pick one and explain what the innovation was and how it has improved our lives.
2. The need for new energy sources has been in the news frequently. Explain why Plant Vogtle was a vital step in producing clean energy in our region and what the future for clean energy production looks like in the United States.
3. Explain why a nuclear medicine technologist is a vital part of our current health care system, what their role is, and how one can join this profession.

Submit YOURS by February 28, 2026

Submit your Essay Package via Email!

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Communications Committee Updates


This fall, the communications committee of CNTA published 9 press releases, as well as our inaugural Nuclear Science Week Magazine!


The magazine is available in print copy, but has also been viewed over 100,000 times online! Check it out with the QR code below or CNTA can send you a physical copy!





Nuclear Science Week
October 20 - 24, 2025

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Citizens for Nuclear
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The Savannah River Site: 75 Years of Service to Our Nation and Our Community

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 spent nuclear fuel. This grant will officially wrap in February, but CNTA will continue these efforts throughout next year.

Two projects 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. were randomly sampled to create our sample that was collected in November.
- Data will be analyzed for both academic publications and to assist us in daily communication with our communities.

2. "Nuclear for Newbies" Podcast-

- As discussed on page 3, this project is in the works and ready to launch in 2026! Email us for topics we should cover of if you want to volunteer to be on an episode.

Young Professionals Committee Updates

7th Annual Oyster Roast

The 7th Annual CNTA Oyster Roast hosted by the Young Professionals Committee was held October 11th at Palmetto Golf Club. Over 150 people attended the evening and helped support our ongoing efforts to provide professional development opportunities to those in our professions under 40.

With this event we raised over \$18,000 and will be able to continue our free membership for those under 40, teachers, and students for 2026!

Thank you to the sponsors and many volunteers who made the evening possible!

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Up & Atoms

- September 11, 2025- “SRNS– Building on a Legacy; Preparing for the Future.” Dr. Jeffrey C. Griffin, President and CEO, Savannah River Nuclear Solutions.
- November 6, 2025- “Savannah River National Laboratory Overview.” Dr. Johny Green Jr. Director, SRNL, and President and CEO of Battelle Savannah River Alliance.

Copies of event presentations available at: <https://cntaware.org/previous-up-atom-speakers/>

Our Spring 2026 Line-up is also set! Plan to join us in January, February, and March for a diverse set of speakers and topics! Details on the Calendar of Events on page 16!



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.

34th Annual Teller Lecture

CNTA proudly hosted the 34th Annual Edward Teller Lecture at the Amentum Center for Performing Arts in downtown Aiken, SC on November 21, 2025. We joined with the Savannah River Site (SRS) and the SRS Museum for this year's lecture to celebrate the Site's 75th Anniversary. Over 175 people attended to help us celebrate!

The lecture began with a welcome from CNTA's Board Chair Dr. Forest Mahan. Following the welcome, the organization recognized several award and scholarship winners including:

- The 2025 Nuclear Service Award given to Mindy Mets for her work with the Savannah River Site Community Reuse Organization.
- The 2025 Fred C. Davison Distinguished Scientist Award was awarded to Dr. Olin E. (Gene) Rhodes, Jr., Director of the University of Georgia's Savannah River Ecology Laboratory.
- The Savannah River Mission Completion Science Scholarship, awarded to Zachary Gardner from the University of South Carolina.
- The Nuclear Technology Scholarship at Aiken Technical College went to Tori Rutland, from North, South Carolina.
- The 19th Annual High School Essay Contest and Educator Grant Program recipients, which included students and teachers from across the CSRA.

The highlight of the evening was a roundtable discussion that replaced the traditional lecture given at this event. Three community members, who were here for the construction of SRS 75 years ago, spoke on their memories of the time. Margaret Rountree, a former Dunbarton native; Elyn McNair, who came to Aiken as a High School Senior and whose dad worked at SRS; and Walt Joseph, who was a newly married young professional from Penn State, who took a job at the burgeoning site. The discussion was moderated by Mary Beth Reed, Principal Investigator for the Savannah River Site History Project.

The video from the evening can be found at:
<https://cntaware.org/teller/>
It is a not-to-be missed watch!

Photos from the evening are available on a [shared Google Drive](#).
 If you need assistance viewing them, please let us know.



34th Annual Teller Lecture

November 21, 2025

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Many thanks to our partners at the Savannah River Site Museum and Heritage Foundation for their support of this event.



2025 Distinguished Scientist Award

CNTA is pleased to announce that the winner of the 2025 Fred C. Davison Distinguished Scientist Award is Dr. Olin E. (Gene) Rhodes, Jr. This prestigious award was presented on November 21, 2025, at the 34th Annual Teller Lecture and Banquet in Aiken, SC.

Dr. Rhodes has served as the Director of the University of Georgia's Savannah River Ecology Lab (SREL) since 2012 and as Director of the University of Georgia Research Institute since 2021. He is also a Professor at the Odum School of Ecology at the University of Georgia and an Adjunct Professor at the Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources.

Dr. Rhodes' leadership at SREL has seen dramatic increases in publications, the graduate student population, total faculty and staff, public education and outreach, and competitive non-DOE funding. He renovated 80% of SREL's facilities using external funding and leveraged \$3 in external funding for every \$1 invested by the University of Georgia.

Dr. Rhodes' technical accomplishments are similarly vast and foundational to advancements in radiation protection and the impact of radionuclides and heavy metals on ecosystem functions. These include research on glycoprotein processing in fish, the epigenetic effects of environmental interactions, the changes in gut microbiota and resistome in wild cotton-mice exposed to contaminants, the co-occurrence of resistance genes in bacteria from contaminated soils, and the risk of contaminant relocation by avian species.

Dr. Rhodes received his B.S. in Biology from the Furman University in 1983, his M.S. in Wildlife Biology from Clemson University in 1986, and his Ph.D. in Wildlife Science from Texas Tech University in 1991. He has to his credit 258 publications as author or co-author. In addition, he has mentored and advised numerous M.S., Ph.D., and post-doctorate students. He is a Fellow in the American Association for the Advancement of Science and an Elected Member of the Sigma Xi Scientific Research Honor Society.

Michael Mikolanis, Manager of the NNSA Savannah River Field Office, praised Dr. Rhodes for his "exceptional scientific leadership and environmental stewardship at the Savannah River Site, his transformational directorship of the SREL, and his profound impact as a mentor."

Professor James Marshall Shepherd at the University of Georgia wrote that "Dr. Rhodes is a pace-setting scholar, and his work on radiation exposure and protection is critical to the mission of DOE, UGA, and the nation." He further noted that Dr. Rhodes "exhibits a keen ability as an end-to-end scientist moving science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) scholarship beyond the journals, scientific conferences, and ivory tower."

The Distinguished Scientist Award is presented annually to recognize regional scientists and engineers who have made exceptional lifetime scientific achievements. The award is in honor of Dr. Fred C. Davison who was Chairman of CNTA's Board of Directors from 1994 until his death in 2004.



2025 Nuclear Service Award

Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness (CNTA) is pleased to announce that the winner of the 2025 Nuclear Service Award is Mindy Mets. This prestigious award was presented on November 21, 2025, at the 34th Annual Teller Lecture and Banquet in Aiken, SC.

Mets is recognized for her fifteen years as the Vice President of Strategic Initiatives for the Savannah River Site Community Reuse Organization (SRSCRO) in which she supported and advocated for missions at the Savannah River Site (SRS). At the SRSCRO, Mets directed the Nuclear Workforce Initiative (NWI[®]); managed workforce development grants; established the NWI[®] Staffing Committee; established the Regional Nuclear Science Week Committee; established the annual STEM Career Connections[®] event; and coordinated the development of Microburst Learning Tools. These initiatives help sustain qualified workers at SRS and counter the challenge of an aging workforce.



Prior to her leadership role at the SRSCRO, Mets was the SRS Citizens Advisory Board Coordinator, a Director at the Southeast Environmental Management Association, and a valued part of the SRS Emergency Services Department. Mets received her B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Auburn University in 1985 and is the author of numerous articles and publications related to nuclear workforce development.

Mets is also a member of the Savannah River Site Museum Board of Directors, the Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness (CNTA) Education Committee, and has served the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce Workforce and Education Committee, the International Steering Committee for Nuclear Science Week, the Augusta Technical College Nuclear Engineering Technology Advisory Committee, and the Aiken Technical College Radiation Protection Technology Advisory Committee.

“Mindy has been a positive influence for many students in the community by encouraging them to pursue meaningful careers in the nuclear field,” said BWXT Business Development Director Ed Wannemacher. “She has worked quietly behind the scenes promoting nuclear energy and the SRS and has been a great ambassador for CNTA and all organizations that promote the benefits of nuclear energy.”

Dr. Thomas Burns Jr., President and Program Manager for Savannah River Mission Completion, noted that, “Mets has demonstrated unwavering support as an advocate for SRS missions, primarily in her roles for the Citizens Advisory Board and the SRS Community Reuse Organization ... I have seen firsthand Mets’ sincere commitment to growing and sustaining the SRS workforce through education, training, and grant programs.”

The Nuclear Service Award is presented annually to recognize accomplishments in applying nuclear technology, advancing education in nuclear technology, increasing public awareness of the benefits of nuclear technology, and in promoting and defending the safe and effective use of nuclear technology.



Celebrating excellence at Centerra-SRS

Submitted by: Centerra-SRS

Centerra, the SRS security contractor, recently celebrated the exceptional performance and achievements of some outstanding employees.

“We are fortunate to have exceptional employees that drive our success,” said Mark Bolton, General Manager. “We have a great team that is dedicated and committed to excellence and I’m very proud we were able to recognize these employees for their achievements and service to communities.”

Operational Support Specialist Robert "Wilson" Hardy, Lieutenant Kelvin Coleman, Sergeant Luis Guzman, and Sergeant Marvin English were recognized with Heroes Awards for responding promptly when a colleague suffered a cardiac arrest. They saved the life of the coworker and stabilized the individual until paramedics arrived, showcasing their readiness, situational awareness, and dedication.

Ryan Brady, a K9 Officer in the Site Patrol and K9 Department, was recognized as the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) Bradley A. Peterson Contractor Security Professional of the Year. K9 Officer Brady was 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, he prioritized the safety and well-being of a couple that was stranded on Highway 125. Although he faced personal danger as the storm raged, K9 Officer Brady remained on the scene for eight hours to help the couple trapped by fallen trees, then volunteered to remain on duty for an additional ten hours, demonstrating dedication that goes above and beyond the call of duty.

Two employees were recognized with Humanitarian Awards for their service to organizations that positively impact local communities. Cameron Barry is the dedicated Unit Commander for the CSRA Young Marines, a non-profit youth program focused on leadership, self-confidence, academic achievement, good citizenship, community service, and a healthy drug-free lifestyle for ages 8 to 18.

Ricky Wortham has served as the pastor of Heavenly Hope Deliverance Church Inc., for 15 years, leading efforts to support impoverished communities. His initiatives include feeding the homeless, assisting with Section 8 housing, providing electronic assistance, and donating clothes and school supplies and also works with programs that support at-risk youth.

The General Manager’s Award is the highest commendation for Centerra employee performance at the Savannah River Site. It was established to recognize exemplary contributions by employees that support the Company’s Mission, Vision, and Core Values and provide exceptional value to the execution of contractual obligations. Centerra is the security contractor at SRS and has protected Site operations, missions and employees since 1983.

Recently, the Company presented this prestigious award to 60 Centerra-SRS employees for their extraordinary performance during FY 2025. The guest speaker for the ceremony was Michael Mikolanis, Manager of the NNSA -Savannah River Field Office. The NNSA assumed oversight of the SRS from the Department of Energy Office of Environmental Management (EM) at the start of Fiscal Year 2025. The NNSA's role includes supporting the nuclear weapons stockpile programs and nonproliferation activities on the Site, as well as managing and operating the Site.

The GM Award recipients included Erik Abelar, James Adams, Chelsea Arthur, Kaceylin Belush, Richard Bozard, Rodney Brown, Jeffrey Brown, Logan Burgess, Brycen Carolina, Bryan Cheselka, Tonya Carpenter, David Dodds, Kimberly Drasher, Thelma Dawood, Kevin Enochs, Thomas Evans, Jason Frommer, Travis Fulmer, Bradford Hicks, Donna Hill, Yvette Hendrieth, Lana Hoover, Chelsey Holmes, Pamela Howard, Phillip Hutto, Ernest Irvin, Jesse Jacquez, James Jordan, James Kangas, Brandon Lee, Rebecca Lindsay, Cameron Lockaby, Eloise Moore, Ryan Mullikin, Benjamin Parrish, Judith Perkins, Angie Pollock, Aaron Price, Jonathan Perry, David Quintyne, Averyl Ryan, Logan Rose, Jennifer Salvo, Eric Schafer, Seth Sellers, Melvin Simmons, Jared Talman, Marc Thompson, Joenell Thompson, Jeremy Tindle, Allen Trott, Ethan VanFossen, Matthew Weimer, David Willis, Mark Williams, and Lynn Zimmerman.

And Another One: SRS Racks Fourth Tank Waste Removal Milestone This Year

It's the site's seventh old-style tank to reach this regulatory approval since 2024

Submitted by Savannah River Mission Completion

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Environmental Management (EM) has reached another significant milestone with concurrence from regulators that radioactive waste has successfully been removed from another tank at the Savannah River Site (SRS).

Tank 3 makes the seventh old-style tank to reach preliminary cease waste removal (PCWR) regulatory approval, years ahead of the SRS Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) schedule.

Tony Robinson, DOE-Savannah River acting assistant manager for waste disposition, said each PCWR milestone completed is another step toward remediating the legacy radioactive waste at SRS.

"Achieving the waste tank closure mission is critically important to both environmental stewardship and community safety," Robinson said. "This mission underscores our commitment to responsible waste management, safeguarding public health and reinforcing trust with all our stakeholders."

PCWR is a regulatory milestone for old-style tanks that designates agreement between EM and its federal and state environmental regulators — the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and South Carolina Department of Environmental Services — that, based on preliminary information, there is reasonable assurance that performance objectives for tank closure will be met.

Savannah River Mission Completion (SRMC) is EM's liquid waste contractor responsible for achieving PCWR through safely treating and disposing of the millions of gallons of waste remaining in the underground tanks at SRS, located between two tank farms. Tank 3 is the third old-style tank in F Tank Farm to complete PCWR by SRMC. The tanks will ultimately be filled with grout to be permanently sealed and operationally closed.

SRMC has completed PCWR on Tank 3, Tank 4, Tank 8, Tank 9, Tank 10, Tank 11, and Tank 15 — all seven to 27 months ahead of the agreed-upon deadlines outlined in the FFA. The agreement establishes a procedural framework, including liquid waste-tank milestone agreements, such as the schedule for waste removal and operational tank closures, and other site cleanup priorities.

Achieving seven PCWRs shows that SRMC is a team committed to advancing the mission by getting waste safely out of the aging tanks, according to Mike Borders, SRMC executive vice president and chief operations officer.

"The waste removal and tank closure efforts related to completing seven PCWRs in the first three years of the SRMC contract has been nothing short of excellence," Borders said. "Real risks and real hazards are being reduced in our area, and everyone involved — SRMC, DOE and the regulators — have a high sense of ownership that we are accomplishing this as a team."

This regulatory concurrence also means that work can begin on the sampling and analysis phase for these tanks as part of the tank closure process. This next phase will verify these conclusions, based on laboratory analysis of any remaining material, and final residual volume determination, prior to stabilization and final isolation of the waste tank.



Tony Robinson, DOE-Savannah River acting assistant manager for waste disposition, left, commemorates the completion of preliminary cease waste removal (PCWR) for Tank 3. Pictured at right of Robinson is Tom Burns, Savannah River Mission Completion (SRMC) president and program manager. Personnel from the Tank 3 project team are gathered in the background. The U.S. Department of Energy Office of Environmental Management and SRMC achieved Tank 3 PCWR 27 months ahead of schedule.

Bringing the mission home: Family Days honors 75 years of SRS

Submitted by: Savannah River Nuclear Solutions

Savannah River Site (SRS) marked a major milestone this year, as employees, leadership and their families came together to celebrate the Site's 75th anniversary during SRS Family Days. All site-issued badged employees were invited to bring their loved ones for a rare behind the scenes look at the mission, history and everyday work that keeps the SRS moving forward.

"Welcoming families to the Savannah River Site for this milestone anniversary is an honor," said Michael A. Mikolanis, Manager of NNSA's Savannah River Field Office. "Our workforce is at the heart of everything we do, and sharing that commitment with their families reinforces the pride and purpose that have carried this site through 75 years of service."

Family Days was held over two weekends and offered a mix of guided and self-guided tours, interactive exhibits, historical displays and hands-on activities designed to showcase the Site's impact over the past seven decades. Visitors had the opportunity to see specialized equipment, speak with employees from various organizations, dine at The HUB cafeteria located in the site's 766-H Training Center, and learn how SRS continues to support national security, environmental stewardship and scientific innovation.

According to 75th Anniversary Committee Lead and Workforce Services and Talent Management Communications Advisor Jessica Hall, "Family Days is one of the most meaningful parts of our 75th anniversary celebration, particularly as it marks the first such event since 2000 at this site. Our employees take great pride in the work they do, and this event gives their families the chance to experience that pride firsthand. It's been an honor to help create an experience that brings our history, mission and people together."

This year's Family Days events drew strong participation, with close to 12,000 visitors, including 8,832 family members from across all SRS contractors.



SRS employees and their families learn about the Savannah River Ecology Laboratory animals during their showcase.



Child-friendly interactive displays available during Family Days included glovebox mock simulators used to manipulate Legos in a controlled environment.

The celebration wasn't just about looking back; it was a chance to highlight the people who make the Site what it is today. From long-term employees sharing memories to new hires showing their families their workplaces for the first time, the event emphasized pride, connection and community.

"This milestone not only reminds us why our mission matters but also who makes it possible," said Jeff Griffin, SRNS President and CEO. "Our employees and their families are the heart of SRS, and welcoming them on-site is one of the most meaningful ways we can say 'thank you.'"

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.

2026 CNTA Charity Golf Tournament



Friday May 6, 2026

Team spots fill fast!
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<https://cntaware.org/event/24th-annual-golf-tournament/>



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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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Membership Information is available online at:

<http://cntaware.org/join-us/>

YOUR DUES SUPPORT PUBLIC OUTREACH

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CNTA Staff:

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

Opportunities include:

- ◆ Donate Items for Raffles/Auctions
- ◆ Donate to Our 2026 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. 6)
- ◆ 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
- ◆ Be an education committee contest judge or outreach volunteer
- ◆ Sponsor a 2026 Event or Education Outreach!

Calendar of Events

- **January 8, 2026-** “YP Kickoff with the Aiken Chamber.” 5-7pm at Café Scientifique in Aiken SC.
- **January 28, 2026-** Up & Atom “CNTA’s Membership Appreciation Breakfast.” 7:30am at Newberry Hall in Aiken SC.
- **February 18, 2026-** Up & Atom “How SRMC is blending automation with human expertise to preserve knowledge – and accelerate the mission.” Amy Gore, Transformation Consultant with DBD International. 7:30am at Newberry Hall in Aiken SC.
- **March 19, 2026-** Up & Atom presented by Southern Nuclear. 7:30am at Houndslake Country Club in Aiken SC.
- **May 2, 2026-** DIG STEM Festival. Details TBA. Williston SC.
- **May 8, 2026-** 24th Annual CNTA Charity Golf Tournament. Houndslake Country Club in Aiken SC.
- **June 4, 2026-** CNTA’s Night at the Greenjackets. Details TBA. SRP Park in North Augusta SC.

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

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