

# Workshop Announcement. . .

## “Detecting Radiation in Our Radioactive World”

### A Teacher Workshop

#### Science Educators -- High School & Middle School

(biology, chemistry, earth science, physics, physical science, life science, environmental, general science, etc.)

Interested Elementary School Teachers are welcomed!

Saturday, November 8, 2008 – 7:45 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

This full-day workshop will prepare attendees to teach the basics about radiation, how we detect radiation, and uses of nuclear science and technology in society. Teachers who complete the workshop will receive a wealth of materials – background information, hands-on activities, supplementary resources – and a Geiger counter. Career opportunities in nuclear science and technology will be highlighted during the sessions.

### Mark Your Calendar to Attend

- Get **valuable information** and hands-on activities for teaching about radiation, radioactivity, and nuclear technology in your classroom
- Take home -- **FREE** – a **Geiger Counter** (CD V700) upon completion
- Receive a **comprehensive teacher handbook** with resources, teaching materials, experiment sheets, visual materials, and more
- Meet and **talk with professionals** in nuclear science and technology
- Continental breakfast and lunch included

### Where

Reno, NV - venue to be announced

(Go to <http://www.ans.org/pi/edu/teachers/workshops/> for information updates)

### Sponsors

The American Nuclear Society Public Education Program (ANS PEP) is proud to sponsor this one-day “Detecting Radiation” workshop for educators, in conjunction with the 2008 ANS Winter Meeting to be held in Reno, NV. Funding for the workshop is provided in part by individual and organizational contributions to ANS PEP and in part by a generous gift from the Idaho National Laboratory Educational Program.



### Agenda Outline

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| 7:45 a.m. | Registrant Check-in & Continental Breakfast                       |
| 8:00 a.m. | Workshop Sessions <i>(Lunch and breaks included in schedule.)</i> |
|           | Background Information about Radiation, Sources, etc.             |
|           | Activities for the Classroom                                      |
|           | Detecting Radiation – Using the Geiger Counter                    |
|           | Nuclear Science and Technology Applications in Modern Life        |
|           | Medicine, Industry, Energy, Space                                 |
|           | Radioactive Waste & Transportation Issues                         |
| 5:00 p.m. | Workshop Ends   |

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## Science Standards

Workshop provides information and training to help teachers address National Science Education Standards for grades 5-8 and 9-12, as developed under the aegis of the National Research Council.

Specific content will help teachers address **physical science content standards** at grades 5-8 (transfer of energy) and 9-12 (structure of atoms and interactions of energy and matter). The workshop and materials will provide information useful in addressing topics in the **history & nature of science**, as outlined by the standards, for both grade levels. Teachers will receive information which helps them assist students in grades 9-12 as they develop scientific models, an activity which is part of the **inquiry standards**.

The workshop will contain information about the structure of atoms, radiation, energy of different types of radiation, interactions of energy and matter, nuclear reactions, sources of radiation in everyday life, and ways to detect and quantify that radiation. Participants will use an analog Geiger counter to detect radiation from background and man-made sources.

## Presenters

Scheduled presenters include: **Ms. Candace Davison**, Senior Reactor Operator and Educational Specialist, Breazeale Reactor, Penn State University; **Dr. Eric Loewen**, General Electric, Wilmington, NC;; and **Dr. Robert Singleterry**, Aero-Space Technologist, NASA Langley Research Center. Other educators and nuclear specialists may also make presentations.

## Registration Fee & Deadline

There is a **\$75 non-refundable registration fee** to reserve your place at the workshop. Registration includes: Geiger Counter, continental breakfast, lunch, printed reference materials and teaching resources. The **registration deadline is 11:00 AM (Central Time), Monday, October 20, 2008**. Please complete the registration form and return it with your check (payable to the American Nuclear Society) to ANS at the address below. (Or, **go to our web site** at <http://www.ans.org/pi/edu/teachers/workshops/> for access to an online registration form using your credit card.)

## Continuing Education Credits

Workshop participants *may* be eligible for continuing education credits, *depending upon the requirements of their local school districts*. ANS will provide verification of your attendance upon request.

## Space Is Limited

The workshop will be limited in size to optimize opportunities for interaction with presenters. *Registration is on a first-come first-served basis*. To reserve your space, complete the registration form **today! Deadline is 11:00 AM (Central Time), Monday, October 20, 2008**.

**Additional information, directions, and other details provided to registered attendees about one week prior to workshop.**

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