



# Appendix F: LOCAL SECTION PROGRAMS

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The Local Sections Committee has put together this list of activities to help sections build their annual program plans.

### **Types of Programs**

1. Keynote speakers or panelists
  - General interest nuclear topics
  - Dinner or Lunch and Learn
  - Technical topic
  - Local Politics affecting nuclear/Nuclear in the States
  - Public perception and concerns
  - Other non-technical topic
2. Facility tours (nuclear related)
  - Power plants
  - Research reactors
  - Isotope production
3. Joint Meetings
  - ANS sections/branches
  - Professional societies
  - Community organizations
4. Social/Wellness Events
  - Picnics/BBQ
  - Wine/Beer tasting
  - Holiday parties
  - Trivia night
  - Local sports team/league
  - Fun Run/5K
5. Fundraising
  - Bowl-a-thon
  - Golf outing
  - Raffle/50-50 Raffle/Silent Auction
  - Sponsorship and tickets sales for meetings
  - Hosting an ANS topical meeting
  - Merchandise/Clothing sales
  - Local restaurant fundraisers

### **Sources for Quality Speakers**

- [ANS Speakers Bureau](#)
- ANS President or other Officers – contact [governance@ans.org](mailto:governance@ans.org)
- Local section members
- Other local section's members
- Local industry leader – non-member
- Vendor
- Academic leaders
- Professional/Paid speakers – through speakers bureau (\$\$\$)

### **Factors Affecting Program Success / Attendance**

- Type, Format and Program Variety
- Subject and Speaker
- Program Quality
- Publicity
  - Sufficient advance notice
  - Sufficient detail to stimulate interest
  - Format and distribution
- Location and Time
  - Vary city and/or location
  - Access to parking and public transportation
  - Proximity to most members
- Quality of facility
- Cost and perceived value
  - Meal planning (buffet, family style)
  - Student discounts
- Added attractions (special guests, films, displays, Mentoring/Networking opportunities)

### **Best Practices**

- Check audio/visual equipment before guests arrive
- Introduce speaker
- Keep presentation within the allotted time / Don't go over time
- Allow for Questions and Answers (Q&A) with speakers
- Thank the speaker (memento/gift)
- Thank guests for coming