Robots and 3-D imagery are more common place in movie theaters than at the Savannah River Site (SRS), but that has changed.

Savannah River Remediation (SRR), SRS’s liquid waste contractor, has implemented more robots to do the necessary hazardous work in its waste removal and tank cleaning operations, thus providing additional safety measures by minimizing employee exposure to highly-radioactive waste.

Following in the line of robotic devices called Tizzy, Frankie and G.I. Joe, which are currently being used in tank waste removal and sampling activities, are PackBot and the Brokk 400. These remote-controlled robots perform cleanup and inspection work in places high in radioactivity.

SRR JOINS THE CITY OF AIKEN FOR EARTH DAY

Owen Stevens, SRR Environmental Compliance Manager, explains how SRR incorporates safety and environmental stewardship in the liquid waste operations at the Savannah River Site during the 8th Annual City of Aiken Earth Day celebration, held April 27, 2012, at the city’s Hopelands Gardens. An estimated 300 area elementary students, teachers and parents attended the event, which was sponsored by SRR.
Claflin University in Columbia, SC, recognized Savannah River Remediation (SRR) for the Company’s partnership efforts to provide the institution’s students with opportunities in research, internships and jobs.

The Presidential Citation was made at the Claflin University 38th Annual International Alumni Association meeting. Presenting the award was Dr. Henry N. Tisdale, who has been Claflin University’s President since 1994. Accepting the award was Dave Olson, SRR President and Project Manager.

The recognition was given to SRR for partnering “to inspire the world’s visionaries through successful STEM-related research; envisioning excellence by offering invaluable training through internships and fellowships; and encouraging college students to imagine the possibilities by facilitating job placement after graduation.”

Teams of SRR employees tackled work assignments at separate locations recently during the United Way Project VISION, CARE and SERVE days.

SRR employees have participated in the United Way’s Days of Caring since 2009, when SRR became the liquid waste contractor at SRS.

They came with special saws, wheelbarrows, paint brushes and a willingness to help others and, when the United Way Days of Caring were over, nearly 70 SRR employees and family members left knowing they made a difference.

Savannah River Remediation (SRR) LLC is the Savannah River Site’s (SRS) Liquid Waste contractor. SRS is owned by DOE. SRR is composed of personnel from a team of companies led by URS with partners Bechtel National, CH2M Hill and Babcock & Wilcox. Critical subcontractors for the contract are AREVA, Energy Solutions and URS Safety Management Solutions. For more information, contact the SRR Public Affairs Department: Dean Campbell at 803.208-8270, or log on to www.SRRemediation.com