

Guest Speaker Arthur Pais

Arthur Pais was born in 1927 in Lithuania. During the Second World War, he spent four years in German Concentration Camps. After the war, Pais came to the United States in 1946. He lived in Chicago and attended night school, earning a degree in Mechanical Engineering.



Pais started his own manufacturing company in Chicago in 1949. In 1963, he started several industries in Morristown, Tenn. that introduced new technologies. His company grew to over 400 employees. The company was sold in 1977.

In 1983, he built a new plant as a Joint Venture with a German company introducing new products to the woodworking and furniture industry. Pais retired in 1990 and began doing volunteer work, including being a counselor at SCORE for business startups, and also worked as a consultant.

He is now a frequent speaker about the Holocaust to schools and church groups. Pais resides with his wife Mimi in Knoxville. The couple has four children, seven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.