



plays at Cedar Creek Church, 001 Banks Mill Road.

The Depression Anxiety Bipolar Support Group of Aiken and Surrounding States will meet from 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays online via the GoToMeeting App. For more information contact Mindy Harmon at 803-507-2214 or email manicgh@yahoo.com.

WEDNESDAY

A Book Adaptation Movie Week will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. June 30 through July 3 at the Nancy Carson Library, 135 Edgefield Road, North Augusta. "The Bad Guys," rated PG, will be shown Monday, June 30; "Dog Man," rated PG, will be shown Tuesday, July 1; "The Wild Robot," rated PG, will be shown Wednesday, July 2; and "Paddington in Peru," rated PG, will be shown Thursday, July 3. Bring popcorn and enjoy the movies. For more information, email reneeb@abbeylib.org.

An ACBL Bridge Game is held at 1 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at the Lessie B. Price Aiken Senior and Youth Center, 841 Edgefield Ave. For more information, email AikenBridgeClub@gmail.com.

The Savannah River Site Museum, 224 Laurens St., N.W., is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. The museum features exhibits and resources related to the Savannah River Site and the Cold War. Admission is free. For more information, call 803-648-1437 or visit sr-heritagemuseum.org.

THURSDAY

A Tools for School gathering will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, July 3. Preschoolers and children going into kindergarten will be able to practice their school readiness skills. Each session will have a different theme. Register at the circulation desk or call 803-442-2020 ext. 2. The program is in partnership with Aiken County First Steps.

about the Hamburg Massacre is how people will remember an important part of local history.

The annual wreath laying ceremony will be held July 8 at 6 p.m. and Hamburg Memorial weekend will be observed July 12 at First Providence Baptist Church from 10 a.m. to noon.

Historian Wayne O'Bryant said the wreath laying ceremony is always held because it was the actual day of the Hamburg Massacre.

Participants will go to the Hamburg-Carrsville African American Heri-

as Meriwether McKie and nearly 200 other members of a white mob attacked a Black militia. McKie and seven Black men were killed.

The town was founded by Henry Shultz in the early 1800s and went into decline before it was established again by freed Blacks during the Reconstruction Era.

The town was relocated in 1929 and became Carrsville, which is now part of the Hamburg-Carrsville African American Heritage District.

O'Bryant said the topic for this year's celebration

ent state of Hamburg will be about the current things taking place to enhance the Hamburg-Carrsville African American Heritage District such as trying to get an outdoor history walk and the museum they are trying to finish.

He said the future of Hamburg includes fundraising and preparing for the 150th anniversary in 2026.

"We will have a couple of little surprises in the presentations from people," he said.

O'Bryant said people can

maybe teach others about their local history.

"The goal is to continue to teach about and promote about it to the point where you don't have to do as much about it anymore because people know so much about it that it is second nature and it is part of their knowledge base," he said.

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An intern's passion meets purpose with help from her summer internship at SRMC

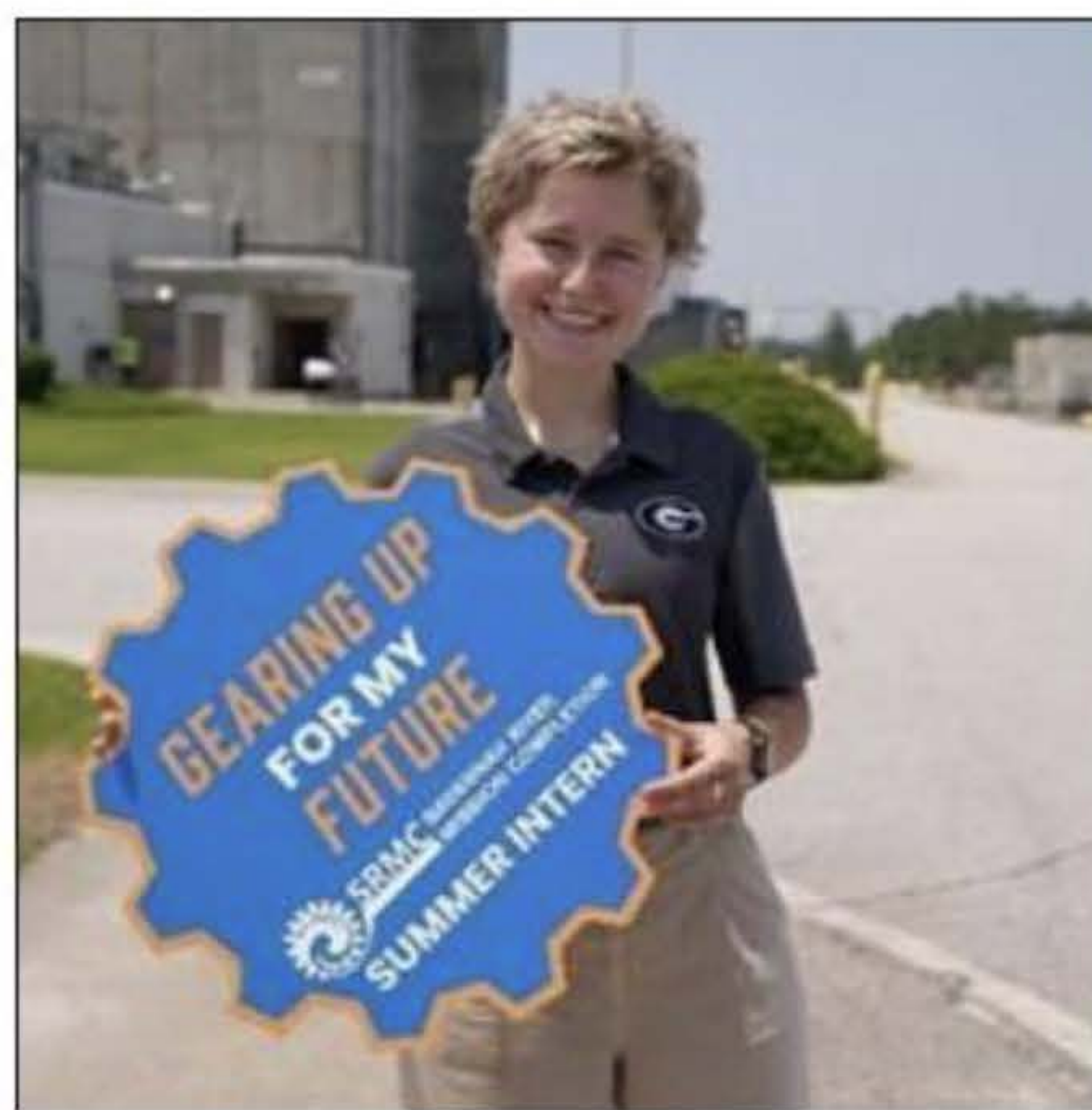
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College senior Amelia Cashion is excited to combine her creative knack with her knowledge of mechanical engineering through her internship with Savannah River Mission Completion.

SRMC, the liquid waste contractor at the Savannah River Site, is committed to cleaning up Cold War-era radioactive tank waste while maintaining the highest levels of safety, security, and environmental stewardship, which Cashion says initially caught her eye.

"I first heard about Savannah River Mission Completion at a job fair at my school," Cashion said. "Aside from an interest in what the company itself did, its dedication to being sustainable and environmentally friendly really stood out to me."

Cashion is going into her final semester at the University of Georgia where she is majoring in mechanical engineering, which she said us-



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Amelia Cashion stands outside of the Defense Waste Process Facility where she works as a melter engineering intern for Savannah River Mission Completion.

es two of her favorite things: creativity and numbers.

"I love problem solving, especially in engineering," Cashion said. "There is something about when all of the equations add up just

right — it's like putting the last piece of a puzzle. I have also always appreciated understanding the 'why' behind how things work and using my hands to figure it out myself."

At SRMC, Cashion works as a melter engineering intern where she is participating in process improvements, recording and observing data, and collaborating with professionals in her field. The melter is considered the "heart" of the Defense Waste Processing Facility; it's the critical equipment that converts the highly radioactive sludge waste into molten glass, which is then poured into stainless steel canisters to harden into a form safe for transportation and long-term disposal.

One of her favorite aspects of the job so far has been integrating her passions with her work.

"Working at the Defense Waste Processing Facility has introduced me to the vast number of steps taken to ensure environmental and public safety," Cashion said. "There is never ending attention to detail to ensure that the environment and all its occupants are protected. I am honored to be part of a group that is so dedicated to environmental safety."

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