

Vernonia student will attend national teen leadership conference

This summer, many students will head for basketball camp, football camp, cheer-leading camp...or just plain camping. But hundreds of motivated teens will head for leadership camp!

Myriam Gendron-Dupont, a senior at Vernonia High School will be one of more than 200 participants from around the state involved in the 2000 National Teen Leadership Program, to be held at St. Mary's College, Moraga, California.

Historical Society plans picnic

The Columbia County Historical Society will hold its second annual "Picnic In The Park" at Waterfront Park in Olde Towne St. Helens, behind the old county courthouse, on July 26 at 12:30 p.m.

The society will provide

non-profit NTLP has awarded more than \$90,000 in scholarships for college-bound students. More than 4000 teen leaders have attended this conference.

The program features a lineup of speakers who motivate, educate and inspire young people. There are also hands-on workshops and interview sessions which prepare teen leaders for future challenges.

The three day event will culminate with the naming of this year's Outstanding Leaders for

hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, and refreshments, as well as the necessary condiments and paper plates, forks, spoons, and knives. The public is invited to attend and learn more about the activities of the Historical Society.

2000. The young man and woman designated this year's Outstanding Leader will each



Myriam Gendron-Dupont

receive a \$500 cash award. A total of \$3,000 will be awarded at the Sunday afternoon Award Ceremony.

Some of the activities that qualified Gendron-Dupont to

attend include Foreign Exchange Rep, Who's Who recognition, OSSOM Reg. 2 Rep, Metropolitan Youth Symphony, leadership class, band and chamber orchestra.

Her attendance has been made possible because of

sponsorships donated by Vernonia Volunteer Firefighters; Vernonia Booster Club; Vernonia Realty & Insurance Center; Buds & Blooms; James Walters; West Oregon Electric; James Brookins; Vernonia High Faculty and Staff.

Burge named convention alternate

Scott Burge, Republican nominee for County Commissioner, was selected as an alternate delegate to the Republican National Convention being held in Philadelphia, July 31-Aug. 4.

As an alternate, Burge will be on the floor of the convention and will replace delegates as needed throughout the convention.

"I believe this will give me a great opportunity to discuss with other leaders throughout

our great nation issues that concern the people of Columbia County," he said.

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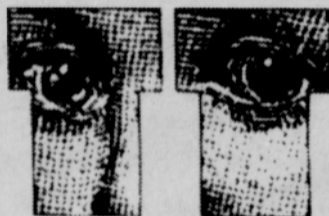
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