

WHS student wins Gene Upshaw scholarship



Terri Upshaw and
Daria Sharon

Whittell High School senior Daria Sharon received the seventh annual Gene Upshaw scholarship at this year's American Century Championship.

Sharon's academic achievements and dedication to sports and community service are what earned her the \$5,000.

NBC Sports and Edgewood Companies contributed equally to the scholarship, which is awarded to individuals possessing characteristics of leadership, community service, and academic excellence. Terri Upshaw, Gene's widow, was at Edgewood Tahoe Golf Course to present the award on July 19.

Initiated in memory of NFL hall of gamer and longtime NFLPA Executive Director Gene Upshaw, the scholarship assists the ongoing education of young leaders.

Sharon has maintained a 4.0 gpa past three years, while taking multiple Advanced Placement classes. She plays on the soccer, softball, and basketball teams. She will be student body vice president this year.

Gene Upshaw (1945-2008) was a popular nine-time participant in the annual celebrity golf tournament at Edgewood. Upshaw was a

part-time resident for more than 30 years at his second home in North Lake Tahoe.