

Catherine awarded for hard work

THERE'S no doubting the fact that Catherine Maher leads a busy and productive life.

In addition to her Year 12 studies, Catherine has taken on an impressive share of other responsibilities.

A vice house captain at Loreto College, Catherine has represented Australia at the United Nations in New York, at which she spoke to the General Assembly of 152 member countries regarding "A World Fit for Children".

She has also tutored



LEADER: Loreto College Year 12 student Catherine Maher addresses the UN in New York.

Sudanese refugees at The Edmund Rice Centre in St Albans, assisted teachers at the Ballarat Special School and participated in the

National Youth

Roundtable. It is no surprise then, that the Ballarat Zonta Club has awarded her its Young Women in Public Affairs Award for

her commitment to the volunteer sector and dedication to the advancement of the status of women.

She said: "Many young women tend to

leave rural areas, as they don't have the same educational opportunities as people in the cities do and many never return."