

# Brianna Cronin Wins 'Power of Youth'

Each year, Klickitat PUD (KPUD) presents The Power of Youth Award to members of the Klickitat County 4-H Program. The award is based on a young person's community involvement, volunteer activities and leadership skills.

This year, Brianna Cronin has been selected as the award recipient based on her 4-H achievements and project book.

This is Brianna's 10th year with the 4-H program. The senior at Goldendale High School participates in Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), FCCLA, Pep Club and the Purple and Gold Club. She is a cheerleader and competes in softball.

Brianna has been busy in many service activities, including cleaning the Pleasant Valley Cemetery, participating in Walk for the Cure and helping out with Boxes of Joy.

She also has been a part of Link



*Brianna Cronin*

Crew—a school program that joins seniors with freshmen to help the new students make the transition to high school. Last year, she also participated in a chili feed fundraiser for a local woman with breast cancer.

Brianna has worked to build osprey nests and send presents to

Buckley School, a school for handi-capped adults.

For 4-H, she has done market stock, breeding stock sheep and self-determined sports, leadership, poultry, and food and nourishment.

"4-H has taught me a lot about responsibility and record keeping," Brianna says. "I have learned about caring for other living things. It has also helped me build leadership skills that I can use to benefit the community. It also helps you to see your accomplishments with your project journal. I plan to participate in the future as a 4-H leader."

After attending community college, Brianna plans to attend a four-year university and major in business and economics, with the goal of being a human resources manager.

Congratulations to Brianna on this well-deserved award! Good luck on your 2009 projects, and keep up the great service to our community. ■

# Sheree Purdy is Walkley Scholarship Nominee

Sheree Purdy, daughter of Mike and Sherri Purdy of Goldendale, was selected Klickitat PUD's (KPUD) nominee for the 2008 Walkley Scholarship drawing.

Sheree's name was drawn from among two eligible high school seniors of KPUD employees. The other candidate was Dale Stelter's son, Darren.

These two young people were presented at the September 9 KPUD Board of Commissioners' meeting for the annual drawing.

The scholarship is sponsored by Glenn and Elvira Walkley. Glenn was a Franklin County PUD commissioner from 1945 to 1980.

The Washington PUD Association will hold the final drawing for the 2008 scholarship at its annual meeting in December. Nominees included in the drawing are submitted from all Washington public utility districts.

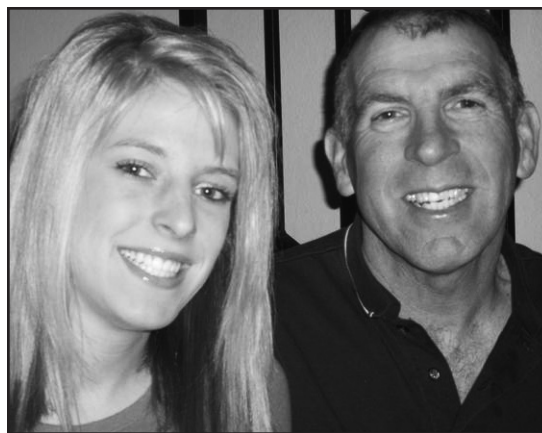
Sheree has participated in several

sports throughout her high school career, including volleyball, soccer, two years of track and three years of basketball.

She has been involved in the Pep Club for two years, and active in senior class fundraisers and decorating committees.

For the past three years, Sheree has worked as a lifeguard and swim instructor for Klickitat County Parks and Recreation at the Goldendale swimming pool.

Sheree hopes to dedicate her life to children's education. This year, she took part in the worksite train-



*Sheree Purdy and her father, Mike*

ing program offered by Goldendale High School through a partnership with the community.

Sheree has committed to two full class periods working with toddlers at Goldendale Head Start.

She plans to continue her education by enrolling in an early childhood education program.

Sheree thanks KPUD for submitting her name to be considered for the Walkley Scholarship.

Good luck to Sheree in the 2008 Washington PUD Association's annual scholarship drawing. ■