

# Scholarship Nominee Enjoys Operating Heavy Equipment

Daniel Thiel, son of Dan and Veda Charters of White Salmon, and Doug Thiel of Pasco, was selected as Klickitat PUD's nominee for the \$1,000 Walkley Scholarship 2010 drawing.

This \$1,000 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 winner of the 2010 scholarship at its annual meeting in December. Nominees included in the scholarship drawing are submitted from all Washington public utility districts.

Daniel's name was drawn from a pool of eligible high school seniors who are children of KPUD employees. Other students included in the drawing were Alexis Clever, daughter of Anita and Tim Clever, and Sadie Shattuck, daughter of Darren Shattuck.

The names of these students were presented at the September 28 KPUD Board of Commissioners' meeting for the annual drawing.

Daniel is a senior at Columbia High School in White Salmon. He has been involved in community service throughout his high school career and had accumulated more than 50 hours of community service in just his first three years.

Some of the activities Daniel has been involved in were running the tractor, grading the arena and caring for the grounds at the West Klickitat Posse Saddle Club. He also spent many hours pushing a lawn mower to groom the grounds. Daniel also enjoyed spending time helping members and visitors of the saddle club.

During his junior year, Daniel participated in varsity baseball, playing right and left field. He received his varsity sports letter and the most improved player award.



**Walkley Scholarship nominee Daniel Thiel of White Salmon plans to attend West Coast Training to earn a heavy equipment operator certification.**

For his career path, Daniel will attend West Coast Training in Woodland to earn certification to become a heavy equipment operator.

It always has been his dream to operate equipment. When he was younger, he would push his tractors, trailers and trucks through the dirt in anticipation of the real thing. In the past six years, he has had the opportunity to operate the family backhoe to pull stumps, lift scrap cars onto trailers, build dirt bike jumps and build any project he could think of.

In high school, Daniel took every vocational class he could, including metal shop, wood shop, horticultural science and robotics/electricity.

Daniel would like to thank KPUD for giving him the opportunity to achieve this scholarship.

Good luck to Daniel in the Washington PUD Association's final drawing in December for the \$1,000 Walkley Scholarship. ■

Discount	Yearly Income
40 percent	\$10,700 or less
30 percent	\$10,701-\$15,000
20 percent	\$15,001-\$18,200
10 percent	\$18,201-\$21,400

## Low-Income Rate Offered for Seniors

Klickitat PUD is offering its Low Income Elderly Rate Discount for billings issued December 2010 through May 2011.

The program is monitored through Klickitat County Senior Services, which determines eligibility and provides KPUD with a list of eligible residential customers.

Discounts based on income eligibility are shown in the table above.

If you are 62 or older and wish to take advantage of this discount, please contact Klickitat County Senior Services at the numbers listed below.

- Klickitat County Senior Service Goldendale—Virginia Dunham (509) 773-3757, toll free (800) 447-7858
- White Salmon—Jill Parrott (509) 493-3068

