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Have something you'd like to share in The Corral Voice? *A volunteer story? What would you like to hear about from the Corral Crew?* Let us know! We're open to new ideas...

Free Hauling from Oregon's Wild Horse Corral Facility in January, February & March!!

Yep, you guessed it... Oregon/Washington BLM is once again offering free hauling to any successful adopter during the months of January, February and March. **ANYONE** who adopts directly from the Corral Facility in Hines, Oregon can have their animal hauled within an 800 miles radius for **FREE!** There are over 400 animals at the facility right now, from the Beatys Butte, Jackies Butte, and Murderer's Creek Herd Management Areas. Come check 'em out!

2008 Oregon/Washington Adoption Schedule

The following events/promotions have been scheduled for 2008... Additional events may be scheduled later this spring – we'll keep you posted!

January 2008 - Free hauling to successful adopters from corral facility in Hines!

February 2008 - Free hauling to successful adopters from corral facility in Hines!

March 2008 - Free hauling to successful adopters from corral facility in Hines!

April 26-27, Odessa, Washington

Location: The BLM Lakeview Ranch, approximately 7 ½ miles north of Odessa

Saturday (4/26) 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Preview & Register, Also a Wild Horse Gentling Demo

Sunday (4/27) 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. - Preview & Registration

9:30 a.m. - Silent Bid Adoption Begins

11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Walk up adoptions and loading of adopted horses

June 14-15, Pasco, Washington

Location: TRAC Facility, Pasco, WA, Exit 9 (Road 68) from interstate 182

Saturday (6/14) 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Preview & Register, Also a Wild Horse Gentling Demo

Sunday (6/15) 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. - Preview & Registration

9:30 a.m. - Silent Bid Adoption Begins

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July 25-26, Shelton, Washington

Details TBA...



Mustangs In Need

Please help us find new homes for these beauties!

Meet STAR – Star is a 1 ½ year old bay filly, born in the Litchfield Corral Facility in California in 2006. She was adopted in April 2007 from an event in Medford, Oregon. She will halter, trailer, lead, pony, and have her feet trimmed. Star is a beautiful girl with great potential...and a big need for some tender loving care. Star is presently located in with a program volunteer for foster care in Grants Pass, Oregon. **Contact: Kimberly Hackett, Medford BLM, 541-618-2309**



Meet the RIVER and PHOENIX - Both mares are 6 years old. Phoenix – the bigger mare with the flaxen mane – is about 15 hands and has been shy, though dominant. But now she seems to show more interest in what is happening - not just wanting to leave the area. The sorrel mare with the thin strip – River – is only about 14 hands but has been worked with more and should gentle much quicker. She also may have been saddled but not ridden. Both are from the Coyote Lake/Alvord Tule Herd Management Area, gathered in February 2006, and adopted in from the Corral Facility in Hines in August 2006. These ladies are currently located in Camas Valley, Oregon, just west of Roseburg. **Contact: Melanie Road, Roseburg BLM, 541-464-3362.**



Internet Adoption Starts January 16... 16 Kigers Available

On January 16, approximately 50 animals from Oregon's Corral Facility will be available for adoption through the internet! That means you don't have to travel all the way to Harney County to pick up an Oregon mustang! AND...even better...those that successfully adopt through the January 16 event qualify for the **FREE HAULING** offer mentioned above (don't forget the 800 mile radius provision). Mustangs from Beatys Butte, Jackies Butte, and the Kiger and Riddle Herd Management Areas are available.

Check out www.blm.gov/adoptahorse for photos and on-line bidding information. **IMPORTANT TIP:** You **MUST** fill out an ON-LINE (electronic) application to adopt if you are interested in bidding on any of the animals in the January 16 event – completion and approval of the electronic application is the **ONLY** way to get a bidder number!



With so many outstanding mustangs at the Corral Facility these days, we've decided to use Wrangler's Corner as a "spotlight" section for our wranglers' top pick of horses.... what does that mean? In each issue of the Corral Voice, our wranglers will pick a horse or two from the corrals that they think is prime pickens... And remember...our wranglers have been around the mustangs for over a dozen years, so their judgment is highly regarded! Our selection for this issue is:

Age: 17

Sex: Stallion

Herd: Riddle Mountain

Gathered: October 2007

WHY ADOPT THIS HORSE: Big Gray was offered for adoption at the November Kiger Mustang event in Hines, but suffered by comparison to the young, dun studs. ☹ At the time of the gather, Big Gray was looking rough and a bit thin... but he has since cleaned up, bulked up, and turned into a great looking man. Nervous about his age? Most think a 17 year old stud could be nothing but trouble... not in this case. Big Gray is very calm and has a very relaxed disposition.

He isn't young enough to be offered through internet adoption or other satellite adoptions and is 'age-acceptable' for the sale authority...which means his last hope for adoption is now! Otherwise he will head off to long term holding...

How to adopt Big Gray: Beginning February 1, we'll be doing a special 'email adoption' for Big Gray... we'll send out a note via email, announcing his availability and the start of the 'offering.' After 2 weeks (the promotion ends at 4:30pm, pacific time, February 15), whoever sends in the highest offer (via email) will adopt Big Gray! The successful adopter must meet the adoption requirements of the Wild Horse and Burro Program and have an approved application before taking Big Gray home.

EXTRA, EXTRA: Big Gray will be hauled for free to the successful adopter within an 800 mile radius of the corral facility in Hines, or shipped for free to one of the following holding facilities: Elm Creek, Nebraska; Ewing, Illinois; or Pauls Valley, Oklahoma.

Questions?: Contact Ramona Bishop at 541-573-4439 or Patti Wilson at 541-573-4424

