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Wild Horse to Provide Scholarship Money

BURNS, Oregon – Harney County’s Distance Education Center hopes to raise more than \$1,000 for continuing education students with this year’s wild horse raffle. For the fifth year in a row, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Burns District has donated a wild horse for the fund-raising event. All proceeds will go toward the Harney County Futures Scholarship fund, which supports local individuals participating in programs offered through Eastern Oregon University and Treasure Valley Community College.

This year’s wild horse is a 2-year old bay pinto filly from the South Steens Herd Management Area, gathered in October of 2004. Volunteer trainers Tom and Andi Harmon from the Last Chance Ranch along with BLM’s wild horse wranglers have provided some gentling instruction for the wild horse and given her a name – Lightning. Lightning is halter trained and has been saddled, but not yet ridden.

Raffle tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20 and may be purchased from the Harney County Distance Education Center during regular business hours or at the fairgrounds on September 8, 9, and 10, where Lightning will be available for viewing. Drawing for the raffle will occur on Sunday, September 10 at the Harney County Fair – you need not be present to win. The lucky winner must meet the requirements of BLM’s Adopt-A-Horse program to take the wild horse home.

For more information concerning the Harney County Futures Scholarship or to purchase tickets for the wild horse raffle, contact the Distance Education Center at (541) 573-5012. For information regarding the BLM Wild Horse and Burro Adoption program or adoption qualifications, call (541) 573-4400.

