

## Paws for News at Bideawee



### Free Adoptions in August!

If you've been thinking that your summer would be that much better with a canine buddy to share it with, we're going to help you make that happen! Whether you're envisioning cuddling up on your couch with a gentle senior, or exploring the beaches and parks with a playful pup, we've got dogs of every size and age, and we're waiving the adoption fee in August for all dogs six months and up to celebrate the dog days of summer! The end of summer (dare we say it!) is a perfect time to bring home a new buddy to join you on the last of those summer adventures, and ease into the crisp, cool days of fall by your side. View a full list of [Bideawee's adoptable animals](#), and bring home your new best friend in August.



### Kitten Yoga Brings Balance, Well-Being and Crazy Cuteness to Westhampton

What better way to practice your cat-cow pose, than by calling in some of the experts? On June 30th, Aerial Fitness Yoga instructor, April, led a Westhampton class through a one hour yoga practice, featuring [adoptable kittens](#) (and resident master yogis) from the shelter. The adorable, friendly kittens, weaved in and out among the participants, providing individualized instruction and eye-candy. The class was completely booked, and judging from the photos, a great workout was had by all, and we do mean, all. If you missed the class, many of Bideawee's feline yoga coaches are happy to barter their services for food, accommodations, and lots of snuggling.

SHARE YOUR LOVE TO  
#CLEARTHE SHELTERS



## Help Bideawee Clear the Shelters on August 19!

On August 19th, Bideawee will be participating in NBCUniversal's annual Clear the Shelters event, a groundbreaking, community-driven initiative which matches deserving animals with loving, permanent homes. Through an unprecedented partnership between the NBCUniversal Owned Television Stations (11 NBC stations, 17 Telemundo stations and regional news network NECN) as well as through 400 animal shelters in the United States and Puerto Rico, nearly 20,000 animals found new homes on a single day in 2016. Last year, Bideawee found homes for 34 of our animals during the Clear the Shelters event. We hope to grow that success this year! Visit Bideawee in New York or Westhampton during this national event and find your perfect match. **All adoption fees will be waived!**



### August's Flora Kibbe Spotlight- Melinda Mora

When asked why she became a member of Bideawee's Flora Kibbe Society, Melinda Mora had the following to say:

*"Since my childhood, I've always had a passion for rescuing animals, and have known animal rescue would be a significant part of my life's journey. When I learned about Bideawee's Flora Kibbe Society, I knew I wanted to join. I am extremely grateful and thankful that my love of animals will continue through my bequest."*

When you include Bideawee in your estate plans, you become a member of the Flora Kibbe Society, which recognizes the visionary supporters who have ensured the future of our organization by supporting Bideawee in this way. For more information, email [plannedgiving@bideawee.org](mailto:plannedgiving@bideawee.org) or visit [bideaweelegacy.org](http://bideaweelegacy.org). Learn more about how you can ensure the future of animals in need by becoming a [Flora Kibbe Society Member](#).



## Ask Dr. Jeri DiPaola, DVM

*Dr. Jeri DiPaola has been a Veterinarian at the Animal Hospital at Bideawee in Westhampton since 2007. She currently holds the position of Veterinary Medical Supervisor and oversees all medical decisions at Bideawee's Westhampton hospital.*

*She was fortunate to be able to live and study in Europe where she graduated from the University of Bologna, Italy. Before coming to Bideawee she was an associate veterinarian at private practices in Port Jefferson and St. James on Long Island.*

*She enjoys spending her free time with her family and pets.*

Q: My dog, Missy, is terrified of thunderstorms. She will hide, tremble and whine until the storm passes. Last night we were up most of the night trying to calm her down. Is there anything we can do?

[Answer](#)

## HAPPY TAILS



### Spirit

My name is Braden. My wife, Lesley, and I entered Bideawee knowing that we wanted to take a furry friend home soon, but we had no idea what to expect. We didn't know what the process looked like, and if we would have any luck finding the right animal for us. The staff was very friendly, and helpful, and within just a few minutes of going over what we were looking for, they introduced us to a sweet, black kitty named Spirit.

[Read more](#)

## PICK OF THE LITTER



**Dr. Simms, Vice President of Veterinary Medicine**



**Meet Gerald!** Gerald is a two (almost three) month old Plott Hound mix who



**This regal kitty is Vivian!** Vivian is a three-year-old Persian mix who

Dr. Shian Simms joined the Bideawee family in October of 2014 as the Vice President of Veterinary Medicine. Inspired by her childhood pug, Rick, she was determined to become a veterinarian and care for animals in need. In 1995, she moved from Singapore to the United States to pursue her veterinary medicine degree, and graduated from Purdue University in 2001. When not at work, she enjoys playing tennis, running, fostering kittens, going to the opera, and hanging with her kitty, P.

came to Bideawee from Georgia! Gerald has an incredibly soft brindle coat with communicative ears and enchanting brown eyes. Gerald's ears change depending on his mood. If he's curious or playing, they're high in the air. If he's attentive, they're perched and folded on his head. Gerald is an active and playful puppy. He loves, love, loves to run around. His favorite thing to do is sprint around the room and chase after toys. Gerald is incredibly outgoing with new people. There's nobody he doesn't want to meet or say hello to. Gerald's dream home will have active owners who are excited about playing with their puppy and taking him out for long walks and adventures. Gerald is still working on his manners and can be rambunctious when he plays so it's best that he goes home without young children. He gets along well with others dogs and may be able to go home to another pup. Gerald is 13 pounds and still growing, we expect him to be a large sized dog.

[Learn more about Gerald.](#)

[Watch Gerald's video.](#)

arrived at Bideawee in late May. She has a luxuriously long apricot colored coat with the distinctly short Persian face. Vivian enjoys spending her days relaxing in the sun or hiding out in a cozy nook. Vivian is much more comfortable with women and must go home to a female adopter. Vivian gets along well with other friendly felines, and she would be thrilled to go home to another cat. However, she'll be just as happy relaxing in your home as long as you promise to give her all the love and attention that she deserves. Vivian would do great with an experienced cat owner who will give her the time and patience she needs to get used to her new surroundings.

[Learn more about Vivian.](#)

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### **Dottie Sousa, Westhampton Volunteer**

As soon as I retired, I knew what I wanted to do with my time. In fact, when I retired from the air base, they had a story about my service in the base newsletter, and I was quoted for saying that my plan for retirement was to volunteer at Bideawee!

It took a few years for me to get started. My daughter, Sandora, had twins that same year, and I wanted to use my time to help her care for her infants. A few years later, I began volunteering at Bideawee and I was so happy that I did! At first I was sad that I hadn't started a long time ago, but the staff said, "We're just so happy you're here now!"

[Read more](#)

## **Check it Out**



### **School's Out New York Visits Bideawee's Westhampton Campus**

On July 11th, Bideawee's Westhampton campus welcomed a volunteer group from the [School's Out New York](#) in the Bronx, a leadership program for those in the 6th, 7th and 8th grades. They made a collage for the front entrance, helped to clean the shelter, socialized kittens, and even spent quality time with 17-year-old resident kitty, Randy. They were an amazing help, and we can't wait to have them back!



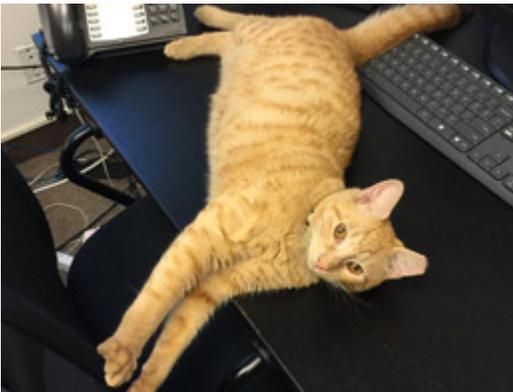
### **Join Bideawee for dOCUMENTA, America's First Art Show for Dogs**

Join Bideawee on August 12th for [dOCUMENTA](#), America's first art show for dogs. You and your pup will enjoy art created specifically for four-legged friends by 10 established artists. The free exhibition will take from August 11th -13th. [Stop by on Saturday, August 12th to meet some adorable Bideawee dogs available for adoption!](#)



### **A Wonderful Day for Animals at Annual Broadway Barks Event!**

On Saturday, July 18th, Bideawee joined hundreds of New York City shelters in Shubert Alley for the annual Broadway Barks Adoption event. Many thanks to Bernadette Peters, Malcolm McDowell, Broadway Barks, the cast of Dear Evan Hansen, all the incredible Broadway actors who came out to raise awareness for pet adoption, our wonderful volunteers, and to everyone who ensured another successful Broadway Barks event!



### **Bideawee Alumnus, Hamlet, is the Newest Face of The Algonquin Hotel**

Bideawee alumnus, and rags-to-riches kitty, Hamlet, will be replacing Matilda III at midtown Manhattan's historic The Algonquin Hotel . [Hamlet will be the 12th Algonquin cat](#) and its first male mascot in more than 40 years! Make your reservations at The Algonquin Hotel today, and get ready for the warmest and cutest greeting you've ever received!



### **You're Invited to a Financial Planning Seminar Hosted by The Kibbe Society**

Join Bideawee's Kibbe Society at the Manhattan location on Thursday, September 14th from 2-4 for a Financial Planning Seminar with special guest speakers, Wendy H. Sheinberg, Esq., of Davidow, Davidow, Siegel and Stern LLP, and Carol L. Bassin of Registered Investment Advisor Blue Ocean Wealth Solutions. Light refreshments will be served, and space is limited, so please RSVP to [plannedgiving@bideawee.org](mailto:plannedgiving@bideawee.org).



### **Donate your Vehicle to Help Animals in Need**

Do you have a used car you are ready to get rid of? Consider [donating your vehicle to Bideawee](#) to help the animals in our care. Your donation is tax deductible and can help Bideawee provide food, shelter and medical care for the dogs and cats who need it most.



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