

Paws for News at Bideawee



Introducing Bideawee's Alumni Program

Do you share your life with a four-legged friend that you adopted from Bideawee? Before your pet became a part of your family, they were a part of the Bideawee family. Our vets examined them, our trainers trained them, and our staff cared for them and loved them as though they were their own. The organization's Alumni animals will always be considered family and will always occupy a special place in the hearts of those at Bideawee. When you adopt a pet from Bideawee, you take the first step in what we hope will be a long-lasting relationship between you, your pet and the organization.

As a thank you for choosing Bideawee, the organization invites you to join the [Bideawee Alumni Rewards Program](#). The Rewards Program gives you [access to various discounts](#) at pet-friendly businesses throughout Manhattan and Long Island, as well as discounts at Bideawee's Adoption Centers, Animal Hospitals and Pet Memorial Parks. Joining is as easy as [registering online](#) and all members will receive a card in the mail. Once you join, you can print out a temporary card online. The organization also invites you to contribute to the [Bideawee Scrapbook](#) by uploading your pet's photos and sharing their [Happy Tails online](#). We look forward to receiving Bideawee Alumni updates, and thank you for being part of Bideawee's Alumni Family.



Dog Film Festival to Benefit Bideawee's Animals

The curtain will go up on the first annual [Dog Film Festival](#) at New York's Symphony Space on October 3rd, 2015, and will offer a series of two hour groupings of films - an eclectic mix of documentary, live-action, and animation - from filmmakers around the world who have made dogs the center of their movies. Ranging from little-known historical short films to newly-minted ones featuring dogs, each two-hour show period will include a melange of film-making from 30 seconds to 30 minutes, with the films mixed and matched to create a shared audience experience of joy, wonder, sadness and amusement about our canine friends. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to Bideawee.

For the uber dog aficionado, The Festival is offering a limited number of Founding Member tickets for \$150 that offer special privileges including

an invitation to the gala opening night Pooch Party on October 2nd and reserved V.I.P. seating and unlimited access at the Festival on October 3rd.

The Pooch Party, hosted by [Ruby & Jack's Doggy Shack](#) on 2nd Ave between 60th & 61st Streets, is a chance to enjoy cocktails and light hors d'oeuvres, to mix and mingle with other dog lovers and, the best part, your dog's invited too! Join pet psychic, Annie Germani (of Westminster fame), who will be on hand to give readings, as well as dog trainers, vets from multiple disciplines and specializations, photographers, sketch artists and many more for what will undoubtedly be the pet event of the social season. And... everyone at the Pooch Party will go home with a Doggie Swag Bag with goodies valued at over \$100.

The only way to get on this A-List is to be a Founding Member!

[Learn more about The Dog Film Festival](#)

Founding Member tickets can be purchased for \$150 [here](#).

Regular tickets can be purchased for \$25 [here](#).



Bideawee's Pups Shine at Annual Broadway Barks Event

"There's no business like show business!" At least that's what our pups were saying when we attended the Mayor's Alliance 17th Annual Broadway Barks Event on July 11th! [Broadway Barks](#) is a star-studded dog and cat adoption event, created in 1999 by Bernadette Peters and Mary Tyler Moore, benefiting New York City animal shelters and rescue groups. Four of our Bideawee stars/pups strutted their stuff with our great volunteers in hopes of attracting some buzz, and they most definitely succeeded! They marched across the runway on a stage in front of all to see, showing off in hopes of finding their forever homes, and boy, did they ever! Not only were three of our beautiful dogs adopted, but like a story straight out of a movie, two sister-pups, Fiona and Princess were adopted together! These sisters had been together all their lives and have a serious bond, and once their adopter knew that, she knew she couldn't break the pair, so she decided to take both home! Maybe Broadway could learn a thing or two from the Fiona and Princess tale; we think they'd be a huge hit. We are so happy to have found such special homes for our animals at this event, and we look forward to attending again next year!



Bideawee Pays Tribute to Long-Time Volunteer & Friend, Nancy McFarlane

On Wednesday, June 10th Bideawee lost a dear friend. Volunteer, and supporter, Nancy McFarlane sadly, passed away after 18 years of service to the organization. Nancy began volunteering with Bideawee back in 1997, and provided 18 years of consistent service and dedication, giving love to all of the animals that called Bideawee home. Nancy was a tremendous animal lover, but her heart mainly belonged to the cats and kittens at Bideawee. She even adopted her cat, Lisa, from Bideawee not long before her passing. Lisa was taken in by Nancy's son, and is now his newest four-legged family member. Nancy's passing touched us all. She was a constant presence in the Adoption Center and the staff looked forward to seeing her. Nancy would bring a smile to your face anytime she visited. She had a sharp wit, a great sense of humor, and she brought great joy to the cats at Bideawee.

A passage from her volunteer application says it all: I find the company of cats is where I like to be! Sometimes I think I am worthwhile to them. They are always worthwhile to me.

As a small tribute to all the great work that Nancy did for Bideawee, the organization has named a kitten, who was surrendered shortly after her passing, Nancy Mac, as a way to thank and remember Nancy McFarlane. She will be missed.



Ask a Vet

Q: Dr. Young, though it isn't time to even think about euthanizing my pet, I worry about it. Could you give me a few of your views on the subject?

[Answer](#)



Ask a Trainer

Q: Why does my dog play with a dog at daycare all day and then growl at the same dog in the parking lot?

[Answer](#)

STAFF PICK OF THE LITTER



Alysia Prosser, Client Care Coordinator

Alysia has worked at Bideawee



Neida is a gorgeous girl who appears to be a Labrador Retriever/Husky mix. She is 4 years old and weighs 60 pounds.



Susan is a gorgeous tuxedo kitty who came to Bideawee after she was abandoned. While Susan is friendly with people, she seems

for almost a year, and in her personal time, she is an illustrator and concept artist for video games. She shares her home with The Pretty Kitty FELV Positive Committee - which consists of 4 cats (Shoyu, Miso, Mirrin and Bao) and she also feeds several of the stray cats in her neighborhood.

She might be shy at first but she just needs some time to break out of it. Once she warms up she really is a sweetheart. Actually she loves kissing and hugging people she knows! Neida is the kind of dog who feels like a real companion when you go out for a long walk/play in the backyard. She keeps up with you and wants to keep going. This stunning and bright girl has a big heart and she wants nothing more than an active yet patient and calm family to give her lots of love and attention!

[Learn more about Neida](#)

[Watch Neida's video](#)

to be a bit bossy with other kitties, so a home where she can be your only cat is preferred. This sweetheart is around 6 years old. She can be a little shy at first, so she will do best with a calm and gentle family with older children.

[Learn more about Susan](#)

[Watch Susan's video](#)

HAPPY TAILS



Buttons & Gris - Just Like Brothers

In February, my friend, who adopted her kitty Sally from Bideawee about 5 years ago, brought me to Bideawee to adopt a cat after a series of not so successful adoption attempts with various shelters throughout the city. When we arrived at Bideawee, we were welcomed by the friendly and professional staff who took us around to meet all the adoptable cats. We finally arrived at the cattery room, where there were about 6-7 cats--all so sweet--but one in particular caught my eye.

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TAILS FROM A VOLUNTEER



Debbie Buonnano

I began volunteering at Bideawee's Westhampton Adoption Center exactly a year ago, in August of 2014. I found myself with some extra time on my hands and wanted to donate my extra hours to a worthy cause. When I was considering what organization to volunteer with, I immediately thought of Bideawee because I had adopted my dog Eva from Bideawee. It was four years ago now, but I still remember walking into Bideawee's kennels for the first time. They were playing Zen meditation music for the dogs, and the fact that they took those extra steps to make the dogs more comfortable, really stuck out to me. The staff also allowed me to bring a blanket from home for Eva to sleep with while she remained at Bideawee. I brought the blanket in so that I could adapt Eva to the scent of her future home. When I went to pick her up and bring her home, I expected that they might have lost the blanket in the shuffle, but it was right there next to her. They remembered that I had brought the blanket for Eva, and had it ready for us. That thoughtfulness made an impression on me that has lasted throughout the years.

[Read more](#)



Get Up Close & Personal with Staff and Volunteers

The Bideawee Community has one undeniable thing in common: we all love animals. But beyond that, we have different histories, different perspectives, and different experiences that we bring to the job. Read about our unique views and experiences on the new [Bideawee Blog](#).



2015 Bideawee Ball Draws Unprecedented Support

On June 15th, 2015, Bideawee held its Annual [Bideawee Ball](#), at the Pierre Hotel in Manhattan. Hosted by Prince Lorenzo Borghese, and attended by over 400 New York City animal lovers and 75 well-behaved dogs, the event raised over \$500,000 for the organization and the animals that call Bideawee home. Many thanks to everyone who attended the event, and helped to make it the tremendous success it was!



Bideawee's YPC Raises over \$15K Toward Rescue Efforts

This past June, [Bideawee's Young Professionals Committee](#) launched their most ambitious fundraiser to date. Their goal was to raise enough money to transport puppies from kill-shelters in the South to the loving arms of Bideawee. After two weeks of fundraising, the YPC raised more than \$15,000, which amounts to over 450 lives saved and on their way to their forever homes.



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