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EVENT LISTING

LOVE YOUR PET ART CONTEST & EXPO

Westhampton, New York, January 7, 2010 - Bideawee, Inc., a leading pet adoption and animal welfare organization serving Long Island and New York metropolitan area communities, invites animal lovers of all ages to their *Love Your Pet Art Expo* on Valentine's Day, February 14th, from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM at the Bideawee Learning Center for People and Pets in Westhampton, New York.

Bideawee's Annual Art Contest and Expo features handmade works of art by children age 5 to 18 that creatively portray this year's contest theme, *Show Them Some Love*. The artwork should illustrate how to show love to your pet, or how your pet shows you love.

Winners will be chosen by gallery attendees and prizes will be awarded in four groupings based children's grade year in school: K-3rd, 4-6th, 7-9th and 10-12th years. There is a \$5.00 entrance fee as a donation to help Bideawee continue to care for the many homeless pets residing in its shelters.

Deadline for children to submit their artwork is February 6, 2010. Art entries can represent any medium (photos, paintings, sculpture, finger painting, etc.). Artwork **MUST** include the artist's name, grade, school and phone number. The first 200 entries will be displayed at the Expo. Artwork should be taken directly to Bideawee's Westhampton Adoption Center at 118 Old Country Road between 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM, seven days a week. For more information, call 631-325-0200 ext 118 or visit our website www.bideawee.org.

About Bideawee

Bideawee, which means "stay awhile," in Scottish, is one of the country's oldest and most respected animal welfare and pet adoption organizations. Founded in 1903 by Mrs.

Flora Kibbe, Bideawee has been providing shelter, care and compassion to homeless animals in helping them to find their forever homes for over 100 years.

Bideawee is a not-for-profit 501(c) 3 humane organization and 100% of Bideawee's funding comes from private sources. For more information visit: www.bideawee.org

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