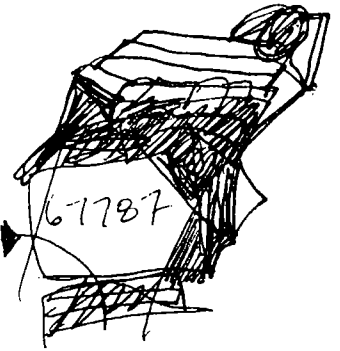


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**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
VIDEOTAPED REMARKS FOR
SPIRIT OF WOMEN NATIONAL AWARDS CELEBRATION
FEBRUARY 5, 2000**

Good evening. I am delighted to join all of you for the Spirit of Women National Awards Celebration. I only wish I could be there in person to pay tribute to the extraordinary women being honored tonight.

As many of you know, there is a recent Ken Burns documentary about Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton called, "Not for ourselves alone." And, really, that has been true of all the women pioneers throughout history. We think of the women who gathered at Seneca Falls more than 150 years ago. We think of all the women who marched for, fought for, and quietly worked for the opportunities we enjoy.

And we think of all of tonight's award winners. Because of you, victims of domestic violence have safe havens to rebuild their lives. Women without insurance are getting prenatal care. Because of you, there are people here and around the world who have more health, more hope, and more opportunity to lead fulfilling lives. And there is no more important gift than that.

I also want to give a special toast to tonight's three national Spirit of Women honorees - Kathryn Turner in the Community Category; Kristine Kaufman in the Health Care Provider Category; and Katharine Tillman in the Youth Category.

Kathryn, your courageous actions proved that no hurricane will ever be stronger than the human spirit. In the face of disaster, you brought care and compassion to so many families in your community who needed your help. Kristine, you have refused to back down in the face of illness. Instead, you have reached out a hand to help bring comfort and dignity to people with terminal illnesses. And, in so doing, you have inspired us all. And to Katharine, thank you for lifting up the health and lives of so many children in Mexico, Venezuela, and here at home. You are bringing more than hope. You are serving as a powerful example of the impact that young women can have on our country and world.

So, it is a great honor to join you in saluting all the amazing women being honored tonight. I thank the Spirit of Women Foundation. I congratulate the awardees and their families. And I hope you all have a wonderful evening.

**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
VIDEOTAPED REMARKS FOR BIDE-A-WEE HAVE A HEART GALA
NEW YORK, NEW YORK
FEBRUARY 2, 2000**

Good evening. I am delighted to join you tonight in celebrating the fifth annual Have a Heart Gala. I only wish I could be there in person to thank each of you for bringing health and happiness to so many animals.

I'll always remember when my husband met our dog, Buddy, for the first time. Within a few seconds, you could tell they were going to be life-long friends. All of us have seen that amazing bond develop between pets and their new families. Unfortunately though, not every animal is blessed with a loving home.

That is why Bide-A-Wee is so important. For nearly a century you have provided care and shelter for animals that might otherwise be left behind. You have helped move them off the streets and into loving homes. And you have brought great joy not only to our pets, but also to the families who adopt them.

Now, none of that would have been possible without the leadership of the people in this room. And I want to say a special word of thanks to tonight's honoree, Agnes Varis. To many of us, she is a good friend. To all of us, she is a role model who has worked tirelessly to improve the lives of animals and people alike. But, if you ask her, she will say she is proudest of being Kallee (KA-LEE) and Zeus' adoptive mom. Agnes, time and again, you have shown us the power of one individual to make a difference. Congratulations. And to everyone present, thank you for what you have done and will continue to do on behalf of animals and those who love them.

Have a wonderful evening.

First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton
Videotaped Remarks for the
World Summit Against Cancer for the New Millennium
February 4, 2000

Welcome. I am honored to join all of you for the first World Summit Against Cancer. On behalf of my husband and the citizens of the United States, I want to thank President and Madame Chirac, the French Government and all of you for coming together to fight cancer and heal those it strikes.

We come here at a time of great promise and peril. I say promise because of the many new weapons we have in the war against cancer. But, I say peril because countless people around the world are not reaping the benefits of any of this progress. All of us have held the hand of too many friends and family members, who are battling this disease. We have seen too many children who have lost their mothers or fathers to cancer. We have lost too many lives, too many futures.

The World Health Organization estimates that by the year 2020, there will be 20 million new cases of cancer each year. In this very room, we have it within our power to meet this challenge. Because cancer is not a disease that belongs to certain communities or countries, ethnicities or religions. It is a global disease that requires global solutions. Solutions that bring better research and prevention. Solutions that ensure accurate diagnosis and effective treatment. Solutions that give every single person access to quality health care.

When we came together as an international community, we wiped smallpox from the planet. We can - and must - do the same today with cancer. We know it will take governments. It will take scientists and health care providers. It will take academic and business leaders. It will take activists and philanthropic groups - all working individually and collectively to eradicate cancer once and for all. And that is why this summit is so important. By signing the Charter of Paris, you are bringing us one step closer to the day when our children will have to turn to the history books to learn about a disease called cancer.

So thank you for your vision and leadership. And thank you for all you have done - and all you will continue to do - to bring the promise of health and hope to people living all over the world.

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January 17, 2000

Ms. Michele Scherz
Hillary Rodham Clinton for U.S. Senate Committee
450 7th Avenue, Suite 804
New York, NY 10123

Dear Michele:

I am enclosing a brochure of Bide-A-Wee, photos of Kallee and Zeus (when we adopted them from Bide-A-Wee five years ago) and as they are today. I am also attaching a copy of my CV, which describes my background, personal and business accomplishments.

I hope the enclosed information helps Hillary Clinton prepare her video message for the Bide-A-Wee February 2, 2000 gala honoring me.

(We need 2 tapes on BETA SP (1 for back-up, as a safety measure) and the screen size is 9' x 12'.

Thanks for all your help.

- Friend -

Cordially yours,

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Year 2000 Have A Heart Gala Honoree

AGNES VARIS

She is a pioneering entrepreneur, a successful business woman, and a noted philanthropist, but to Agnes Varis her most cherished title is the one she acquired back in March of 1995 when she opened her home to two special felines.

"When people ask who I am, I tell them I'm Kallee's and Zeus' adoptive mom," Varis says proudly. "Everything else is just business."

Kallee, a strong-willed calico and sister of Zeus, a frisky red and white domestic long hair, were two homeless three-month-old kittens when Varis adopted them from Bide-A-Wee's Manhattan animal shelter. "They are a real joy," Varis says.

Long known for her generous support of the arts, education, and progressive causes in New York, Varis is also dedicated to humane causes. — *un. nels*

She is a member of the Board of Overseers of the Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine, one of the nation's most respected veterinary schools, and is also a member of Bide-A-Wee's Board of Directors, one of America's oldest humane organizations.

Varis works closely with both organizations. Through her efforts, Tufts and Bide-A-Wee were able to establish an externship program in which Tufts students gain practical experience at Bide-A-Wee's three veterinary clinics. Varis was the force behind a special public service ad campaign for Bide-A-Wee, which has been instrumental in helping increase the number of adoptions from New York City's urban animal shelters.

Born in Lowell, Massachusetts, Varis is one of eight children of Greek immigrant parents. Majoring in chemistry, English and business, she attended both Brooklyn College and New York University.

In 1970 Ms. Varis founded Agvar Chemicals, Inc. Fifteen years later, she was one of three founders, along with her good friend Marvin Samson, of Marsam Pharmaceuticals, a manufacturer of sterile injectable drugs. Since 1992 Varis has also served as president and member of the Board of Directors of Aegis Pharmaceuticals.

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Web Site Features Adoptable Pets

BIDE-A-WEE LAUNCHES ONLINE PET SERVICE

Finding the companion animal of your dreams is just a mouse click away thanks to Bide-A-Wee, one of the nation's oldest and most respected humane organizations.

Dozens of adoptable puppies and kittens and scores of wonderful older dogs and cats who need a home will be featured on a very special Online Pet Adoption and Education site launched by Bide-A-Wee which has been building and fostering special relationships between people and pets for nearly a century.

www.bideawee.org is a highly interactive site which introduces visitors to featured adoptable dogs and cats, including some pets that may need some special extra love and kindness. Visitors to the site will have the opportunity to do live searches of pets available at Bide-A-Wee's three animal shelters in Manhattan, Wantagh and Westhampton.

"The Bide-A-Wee web site makes it easy and convenient for pet lovers to meet our adoptable pets," said Reynaldo Samala, Bide-A-Wee's executive director and chief financial officer. "All you have to do is turn on your PC. You can even begin the adoption application process online and save time when you come in to one of our animal shelters to actually meet the pet that caught your eye."

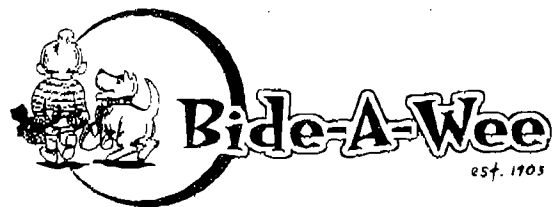
Samala said Bide-A-Wee has been bringing pets and people together since 1903. Until now Bide-A-Wee has used more traditional methods like inviting pet lovers into their adoption facilities to see and meet the dogs and cat that need new homes. "Our new site will reach so many more people and it will give us worldwide reach," said Julia Fiumano, Bide-A-Wee's director of operations. "This is an exciting new service for us."

The site develops ongoing, long-term relationships with visitors in the New York region and beyond by inviting them to be part of the free online Bide-A-Wee newsletter. Readers can find out first about Bide-A-Wee special events, including web-based children's art contests, updates on the annual star-studded "Broadway Barks" extravaganza, and other opportunities for fun and education.

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BIDE-A-WEE KITTEN MAKES HISTORY IN CYBER SPACE

PETS FIND HOMES ON THE INTERNET

An eight-week-old tabby at Bide-A-Wee's Manhattan animal shelter made history this month when it became the first Bide-A-Wee pet to be adopted via the internet.

The playful female kitten was adopted by Antonio Sanchez of Manhattan after he visited Bide-A-Wee's new web site, www.bideawee.org.

"Pet lovers can see photos of our adoptable pets and get some information about them just by visiting our web site," said Julia Fiumano, Bide-A-Wee's director of operations. "And at the same time, they can get a head start on the adoption process by filling out the Bide-A-Wee adoption application."

Fiumano said Bide-A-Wee's pet adoption application is included in the bideawee.org website and can be easily printed out at home. "People can fill it out at home where they have their pet-related information at their finger tips," Fiumano said. "When the adopters bring the completed application with them when they visit our shelters, it helps speed the adoption process."

The new process has gained public acceptance quickly. Shortly after the kitten made history, a four-year-old grey-and-white cat named Moo-Moo found a new home with Lauren Hepburn of Manhattan after she visited www.bideawee.org.

"We're very excited about our new website, because it is helping us introduce our older cats and dogs to the public," said Bide-A-Wee's Manhattan shelter manager, Ruth Allen. "Because of their age, many of our adult dogs and cats take longer to place in a new home. Having their photos and bios on www.bideawee.org helps."

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FIFTH ANNUAL EVENT SET FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2000

BIDE-A-WEE HOSTS HAVE A HEART GALA

Prominent pet lovers and their pets will bring in the new millennium with a very special event, the 2000 "Have A Heart Gala" Dinner Dance, which will honor noted philanthropist and Agvar Chemicals founder **Agnes Varis** for her continued support of animal shelters and veterinary education.

Varis, who is widely acknowledged as a "gutsy pioneer" in the generic pharmaceutical industry, and who is regarded by her colleagues as "the conscience of the generic drug industry," has been a generous supporter of Bide-A-Wee and the Tufts University Veterinary Medical School. She adopted her beloved cats, Kallee and Zeus, from a Bide-A-Wee shelter.

The festive annual event, which benefits Bide-A-Wee's animal shelters, will take place on **Wednesday, February 2, 2000**, in the Grand Ballroom of the Pierre Hotel. Now in its fifth year, the gala is chaired by Bide-A-Wee president **Elizabeth R. Cooke**. The honorary chair is **La Marquisa de Brantes**. The co-chairs include **Amanda and Lewis Berman, Richard V. Hare, Dr. Philip C. Kosch, Barbara Riley Levin, John Roland, Elaine and Marvin Samson, and Alair A. Townsend**.

The festivities for this black-tie gala will start at 6:30 p.m. with a reception hosted by Fox TV news anchor **John Roland** in the Regency and Cotillion Rooms. Dinner and dancing will follow at 7:30 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom with music provided by the Tom Costello Orchestra. Tables are available for \$25,000, \$10,000, \$5,000 and \$3,500. Individual tickets are available for \$1,000, \$500 and \$350.

Bide-A-Wee is one of the nation's oldest and most respected not-for-profit, 501(c)3 humane organizations. Bide-A-Wee's animal shelters and pet adoption centers in Westhampton, Wantagh and Manhattan have placed more than a million dogs and cats in responsible, caring homes since the organization's founding in 1903. Bide-A-Wee's veterinary clinics provide life-saving care to more than 30,000 pets each year.

Scores of volunteers and their dogs and cats in Bide-A-Wee's outreach program fan out every day to make regularly scheduled pet therapy visits to nursing homes and other medical facilities throughout New York City and Long Island.

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BIDE-A-WEE'S HAVE A HEART GALA

In the four short years since it was launched, the Have-A-Heart Gala has become an important event for Bide-A-Wee. The Gala provides pet lovers with a wonderful opportunity to gather and celebrate their love of their companion animals over dinner. But even more importantly, the event generates many important benefits for Bide-A-Wee, one of America's oldest and most respected humane organizations.

The Gala is held at the famed Pierre Hotel in Manhattan at the center of the nation's media capital. Each year the Gala attracts lots of media attention. The coverage of the event in newspapers and on TV enables Bide-A-Wee to get its vital message out to a receptive general public. That in turn helps Bide-A-Wee place many more homeless dogs and cats in responsible new homes.

The Gala also generates much needed revenues that are used by Bide-A-Wee to shelter homeless pets and to provide a wide range of services to the many caring people who bring those pets into their homes.

Many prominent individuals from the fashion world, the arts, and business have been honored at the Have a Heart galas. The group includes fashion designer Carolina Herrera, French film star Anouk Aimee, and opera legend Beverly Sills. In February of 1999, Bide-A-Wee honored one of its own, Barbara Riley Levin, a member of Bide-A-Wee's board. Mrs. Levin is a noted interior designer and the wife of Time Warner CEO Gerald Levin.

As Bide-A-Wee enters the new millennium, it will honor another good friend – Agnes Varis. A pioneering entrepreneur, successful business woman and a generous philanthropist, Ms. Varis also serves on the Bide-A-Wee board and has been instrumental in a number of important initiatives. Thanks to her generosity and commitment a new externship program has been established at Tufts University, which sends fourth-year veterinary students to Bide-A-Wee clinics for practical experience.

Founded in 1903, Bide-A-Wee (a Scottish phrase for “stay awhile”) is a non-for-profit 501(c)3 humane organization with animal shelters, pet adoption centers, veterinary clinics and other facilities in Manhattan, Wantagh and Westhampton.

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"Nearly a Century of Service to Pets and the People Who Love Them"

Bide-A-Wee Facts

Bide-A-Wee is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 humane organization that has provided shelter, care and compassion to homeless animals for nearly a century.

Bide-A-Wee finds new homes for dogs, cats, puppies and kittens, offers skilled veterinary care, operates and maintains pet memorial parks and provides counseling, education and community outreach programs.

- * Bide-A-Wee **does not destroy** unwanted adoptable dogs and cats, nor has it ever during its more than 90 years of protecting pets. Instead, Bide-A-Wee provides pets with shelter and veterinary care until it can find them caring new homes.
- * Since its founding in 1903, Bide-A-Wee has placed more than a **million** dogs and cats in **new adoptive homes**.
- * Bide-A-Wee veterinary clinics provide life saving care for 30,000 pets annually.
- * Bide-A-Wee receives **no taxpayer funds**. Contributions from pet lovers and concerned individuals make Bide-A-Wee's work possible.
- * Bide-A-Wee **outreach programs** bring the special companionship of pets to school children, nursing home residents and hospital patients.
- * Bide-A-Wee Pet Memorial Parks are the final resting places for **Checkers**, the Nixon family pet; **Sarge**, the U.S. Army's WWII K-9 mascot and thousands of other cherished pets.
- * Bide-A-Wee is a Scottish phrase which means "**stay awhile**."
- * The Bide-A-Wee web site **www.bideawee.org** reaches out to millions worldwide.

Bide-A-Wee shelters and veterinary clinics are located at 410 East 38th Street in Manhattan, 3300 Beltagh Avenue in Wantagh and 118 Old Country Road in Westhampton. In addition, Bide-A-Wee operates and maintains pet memorial parks on the grounds of its Wantagh and Westhampton facilities.

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