9thLIFE HAWAII

NO-KILL CAT RESCUE & SANCTUARY A non-profit 501C3 Organization-Donations are tax deductible Dedicated to the Protection of Homeless Cats in Hawaii MARATHON CLINIC - 459 CATS STERILIZED!



In January 2009, 9th Life Hawaii arranged for three mainland vets and their staff to hold a marathon, 3-day Spay/Neuter clinic in our fully equipped surgery room. As is our custom, sterilizations were provided by donation or free if a hardship. The response from people who wanted to sterilize their cats was tremendous. The volunteers that came forward to help were amazing. Impossible to thank so many people. And mahalo to the Grand Wailea who gifted the vets and staff with two days accommodations. We sterilized more than 459 cats at this clinic and we have now sterilized over 1,600 cats since we began our clinics in 2006. Above from right to left: Dr. Jeff Young, Dr. Jeff Fankhauser (both Colorado) and Dr. Leeth Harper (Arkansas), who brought their vet techs, Janet Young, Melody Young, Rebecca Harper and Kim Collier.

We want to hold more of these clinics and you can help us by donating air miles so we can bring the vets to Maui. If you know any vets that might be interested in coming to Maui to help us, please send us their name, address and phone number.

MOST OF THE CATS BELOW HAVE BEEN ADOPTED, BUT WE HAVE LOTS MORE AVAILABLE





TO VISIT OUR ADOPTABLE KITTIES AND MEET YOUR NEW BEST FRIEND CALL 573-3365 or visit our website: <u>www.9thlifehawaii.org</u>

MEMORIAL & HONORARIUM DONATIONS

Received a memoriam donation from Bruce & Judi Highland for Jules in memory of Buddy.

Received a very generous donation from Edith Kamana in memory of her mother, Ilse Lamp, The Ultimate Cat Lover

Received a donation from Carolyn Schmus in memory of Bailey.

Mike & Stephanie Pytlinski made a donation on behalf of their mom, Ann Pytlinski to help the ferals we shelter at 9th Life Hawaii.

A generous donation from Linda Manry in honor of the many good deeds of Sandy & Rae Hill.

We would also like to thank volunteers who have been responsible for getting out thousands of our newsletters over the past few years. Catherine Giamenelli. Nora Miyahira and Eva Opel. Mahalo! We could not have done it without you.

THE ECONOMY AND THE CATS

9th Life is hurting and 9th Life needs your help. We are all aware of the serious economic state of our country. It has terrible ramifications for animal welfare. We are receiving calls from desperate people who have lost their jobs and their homes. Some are living in their cars or at the beach. Others have found less expensive places to live where cats are not allowed. Pets are being abandoned all over the United States. Maui is no exception. We are taking in as many as we can but our space and our funds are limited and our resources are stretched to the max. Many of our cats free-roam on our acreage which is fenced in with cat-proof fencing. We need to build more shelters to provide places where they can get out of the rain and their food and bedding can be kept dry. We are located in the rain forest area of Maui and it does rain a lot here. We need an RV large enough for a caretaker to live in as taking in more cats means more hands on work and our 2 caretakers are caring for more than 200 cats already. Feeding, cleaning, grooming, medicating, vet visits, etc. for live animals is 24/7; nights, weekends, whatever it takes to keep the cats healthy and happy. We can help the cats only if YOU help us. We need monetary donations and volunteers to foster cats and kittens and a volunteer fundraiser. Also please see our wish list on another page.

THE NO KILL REVOLUTION

In October, Phyllis Tavares, Executive Director and Alisha Jensen, V.P. of 9th Life Hawaii were privileged to attend Best Friends Animal Sanctuary's "No Kill Conference". We attended the seminars. The most moving one was given by Nathan Winograd, undisputedly one of the foremost advocates of the No Kill Revolution that is making people increasingly aware of the failure of using euthanasia/killing as a means of population control. Nathan discussed the many successes he has had in taking shelters No Kill. Of course 9th Life Hawaii has always been a no kill shelter, but it was still moving and thrilling to listen to this man. In order to make more people aware of this movement, we will mail copies of Nathan's book "Redemption" to everyone who donates at least \$100.00. It's time to say: Enough killing. 9th Life Hawaii advocates Spay/Neuter as the only acceptable method to reduce companion animal overpopulation. Let's put our energy, efforts, tax dollars and money into what really works: Sterilization on a scale never before seen. 7 out of 10 animals* do NOT make it out alive from Maui Humane Society. Most of those killed are cats! Will YOU help us change those numbers?

*Taken from Maui Humane Society Annual Report and donation boxes



We have just received the donation of a free-standing building (above) that was once used as an office and donated by Sonny Vicks Paving Co. Fumigation was donated by Bowman Termite Co. and the actual move to the 9th Life Sanctuary was donated by Tri Isle Freight. All of the above were coordinated by Lori Ramona, also known as Wonder Woman. A big mahalo to all of you. We plan on converting it into an isolation cattery or shelter but we need your help. We need roofing shingles and install. We need tile for floors. We need an electrician to hook it up for service. It is already wired. Need a small sink & plumber to install. And we need exterior doors and a carpenter. Please help us get it in tip/top shape so we can start using it.

YES, I WANT TO HELP THE KITTIES

It would be impossible to do our life-saving work without your help. Please consider donating at your best level. You are saving lives.

│□ \$25 │ □ \$50 │ □ \$100 □ \$500. Other \$ _____

Every \$100.00 donation, will receive a copy of "Redemption" by Nathan Winograd.

 \square I want to sponsor a cat for a year (\$250.00)

□ I want to sponsor a Spay/Neuter day (\$1,750.00)

□ I want to donate air miles to bring vets to Maui for mass Spay/Neuter clinics. (See story front page)

□ I want to help 9th Life build an isolation cattery.

□ I wish to donate the enclosed gift certificate for your auctions.

□ I want to help pay for the property. (We still need \$879,450.00)

□ I want to donate an RV. We will pay shipping from the mainland.

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NEW! NEW! NEW! You can now set up monthly donations with your credit card by using the PayPal link on our website at <u>www.9thlifehawaii.org</u>

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Our Wish List.

RV to house another cat caretaker to enable us to take in more cats. Free printing of our newsletters. Gift certificates for our auctions. Cat food, kitty litter, cat carriers, and kitty condos. Monetary donations. Van for transporting cats to and from the clinics