

9TH LIFE HAWAII

**MAUI'S largest NO-KILL all CAT SANCTUARY
Leaders of the "NO KILL" movement on Maui**

**A non-profit 501C3 Organization - Donations are tax deductible
*Your entire donation goes to help the kitties as we are run solely by volunteers***



**THE KITTIES AND THEIR STAFF AT 9TH LIFE HAWAII WISH YOU THE
HAPPIEST OF HOLIDAYS
AND TRULY APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT**

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Over 4,128 cats sterilized.

Rescued/Sheltered over 310 cats in 2011.

Adopted out 32 cats. Although many of our cats are unadoptable, they have a home for life at 9th Life.

Built two holding areas for special needs cats.

Held a very successful Silent Auction at Hana Hou Café in Haiku. We thank our supporters both on and off island for their immense help with the auction and to Katie and Laurent Thibault for offering their lovely café for our auction.

GOALS FOR 2012

Build a cattery and outside fenced area for our seniors, a "Leisure Village" for older cats, where they can be monitored closely.

Spay and Neuter as many cats as we can and as often as we can to compassionately and non-lethally reduce the cat population and lower the kill rate at Maui Humane Society.

THE MAUI BOB RESCUE

Edited from a Letter sent to 9th Life Hawaii



Maui Bob in his new home



Maui Bob getting along just fine with his new friend.

To: Phyllis -

I called you about a cat, Maui Bob (Bag of Bones), I found abandoned and starving on Hana Highway. He had previously been brought to 9th Life for neutering and was tattooed. I gave you the tattoo number and received the owner's phone number so I could return him. This person advised that after being aggressive toward other cats, she had dumped him on Hana Highway.

Since he obviously did not have a home, you suggested taking him back with me. (Editors note: 9th Life Hawaii will provide free carriers, when available, to help people take cats out of Maui.) I managed to get Maui Bob on a flight to San Antonio, Texas, but my return flight was to McAllen Airport. I was told the temperature at McAllen was too hot for animals to travel in cargo so he could not go with me. When I reached McAllen Airport, my dear, patient husband, picked me up and we drove 4 hours to pick up Maui Bob in San Antonio. In San Antonio we learned it was now too hot for Maui Bob to fly into *that airport*. The nearest city he could fly into was Dallas. Would I be willing to drive to Dallas, 10 hours from my home?

Yes, so off we went to Dallas, where we found Maui Bob waiting. We loaded him in the car and drove home. We slowly introduced him to our family: seven cats, one black lab and two canaries. I admonished him when he showed aggression to the other cats and petted him often for good behavior. In 10 days, he doubled his body weight and began sitting with my cats. (Continued next page)

After 5 weeks Maui Bob met our Black Lab, Pancho and after 20 minutes, Pancho was added to Maui Bob's friend list, but Maui Bob has yet to learn to stop trying to eat our canaries. We're working on that.



And here is Maui Bob with his latest friend.

Thank you Phyllis.

Regards, Jeneria L.

FALLACY OF “FATE WORSE THAN DEATH”

by Nathan Winograd

Reprinted from No Kill Advocacy Blog/Edited for space



This little dog is most likely feeling the warmth of the sun for the very last time. Likely, he was put to death within minutes of being surrendered. Sadly, too many people who should know better defend the killing, arguing that they have no choice: that there are fates worse than death that people don't care, that irresponsibility is rampant, there are too many unwanted animals, and the only choice for most of these animals is a quick death in a shelter.

(Editor's note: Does this sound familiar?)

FALLACY OF “FATE WORSE THAN DEATH” (*continued*)

They believe that “killing is kindness” but killing as the “logical” outcome has dominated sheltering dialogue for far too long. It is regarded as acceptable. **It is not!** Champions of the “fate worse than death” argument advocate as a solution - the mass killing of over four million animals annually. But while the shelter in their community is killing at an astonishing pace, shelters in other communities have stopped killing. **Kill-activists who claim to speak for the animals, champion death for the animals, an outcome which they would NEVER accept for themselves nor would the animals if they could speak.**

There is a way out of killing and a No Kill nation is not only possible, it is happening all over the United States in **open admission shelters.**

The public, whose tax dollars fund municipal shelters, must let their elected officials know they want an end to the killing. Editor’s note: Killing companion animals for population control has never worked. Why would anyone think, it will work now? Wasted tax dollars and wasted lives. The answer is mass, free or low cost pediatric spay/neuter clinics, a huge foster and adoption network and replacing kill-oriented shelter directors.

There are hundreds and hundreds of successful No Kill shelters in the United States alone. It is not an impossible dream. For information about the successes of the No Kill Movement, please check out: www.nokilladvocacycenter.org

ADORABLE ADOPTABLES

Precious (below)



(Gorgeous gold eyes)

Jonny Rose (3 days old) called Gypsy Rose, until we realized she was a he.



Here's Jonny!

ADORABLE ADOPTABLES

Red and Sam (below)



Mocha and Latte (below)



Below (Rama)



Ginger



Mr. Bojangles



SUCCESS STORIES

ARI HAS BEEN ADOPTED!

Remember Ari? He had been dumped in a cat colony with an infected eye socket. The eye was gone. He was a sick little boy. Would he have made it without the colony caretaker's help and our intervention? Probably not, but with your support, we took him in and provided the necessary medical care and surgery he needed, ably performed at Kula Animal Care Hospital.



Ari on the night he was brought to us.



After surgery.



Ari fully recovered

MORE SUCCESS STORIES



Ari being adopted by his forever family.



Ari with Mr. Wiggles (also adopted from 9th Life)

A POSTSCRIPT FROM ARI AND MR. WIGGLES NEW FAMILY

Here is a picture of both Ari and Wiggles that I wanted to share it with you. Can't tell you how happy we are that they get along so well. Our resident cats don't even play together like these two. We have fallen in love with these two characters and they are huge part of our lives - we feel so blessed to have them.

P.S. 9th Life has more Siamese kittens available.

HOLLY (Fel/Leuk positive) HAS BEEN ADOPTED



Holly waited a year for the purrfect home and has been adopted by a woman familiar with Fiv and Fel Leuk positive cats. These diseases are NOT a death sentence. Many cats can live long, healthy lives with proper care. Holly is a long-haired, pastel calico and breathtakingly beautiful.

COOKIE FOUND HIS FOREVER HOME



Cookie (above) waited three years for his forever home. A beautiful Burmese, he needed to be the only cat. Lucky Cookie is now living on Kauai.

Interested in adopting? Call 573-3365 for an adoption appointment. More cats can be seen on the Petfinder link on our website: www.9thlifehawaii.org

MAKE NO MISTAKE ABOUT IT, YOUR DONATIONS SAVE LIVES

Each \$125.00 donation will receive "Redemption, the Myth of Pet Overpopulation and the No Kill Revolution in America" by Nathan Winograd. A must-read for animal lovers.

\$25 \$50 \$75 \$100 Other \$ _____

Sponsor a cat for a year (\$250.00)

Sponsor a multi-day Spay/Neuter clinic (\$5,000) **We need donors to keep our clinics running frequently and partial donations for these clinics are VERY, VERY welcome.**

You can also set up monthly or individual donations with a credit card by using the PayPal link on our website: www.9thlifehawaii.org

This has been a difficult year for most charities and 9th Life Hawaii is no exception. Please be as generous as you can. If you live on Maui or visited here, you know Maui's cats need help.

WISH LIST

Travel trailer/Recreation Vehicle for shelter.

Carpenter/lumber/paint to build a cattery.

Cat Food, litter, cat condos, and dog and cat carriers.

Sponsor for ads of our adoptables in newspapers.

Volunteer-clerical/bookkeeping help needed.

Volunteers to help with cattery cleanup and feeding.

Van, small SUV, or station wagon for transporting cats to and from our Spay/Neuter clinics.

Donations, gift certificates & auction items. Can be mailed to:

9th Life Hawaii
Box 476
Makawao, HI 96768

Name: _____

Address: _____

Your email address _____

Hawaii and some other state laws provide that a trust for the care of pet(s) is a valid, legal instrument and can be added to your estate planning. You may want to discuss with your lawyer or call us. 808-572-3499.

MORE WAYS TO HELP MAUI'S KITTIES

DONATE YOUR CAR

Cars **anywhere** in the United States can be donated on our website www.9thlifehawaii.org through a link to Donation Line LLC. You can also reach them directly on their website www.donationline.com. They make all the arrangements and 9th Life Hawaii will receive a nice percentage of the sale price. A no hassle way to donate your car and receive tax benefits.

Clothing and memorabilia with the 9th Life Logo can be purchased through Café Press at this link: www.cafepress.com/9LH. Café Press donates a percentage of your purchase to 9th Life Hawaii.



9th Life Hawaii Desk Calendar

The desk calendar is 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches by 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches and is made from premium 80 lb card stock with a glossy finish. It is free with a tax-deductible donation of \$25 or more (includes shipping) to 9th Life Hawaii and will be mailed out during December. Be sure and fill out your name and address on the prior page, so we can mail the calendar to the first 50 people who respond.

