

# 9<sup>th</sup> LIFE HAWAII

MAUP'S LARGEST NO-KILL  
ALL CAT RESCUE & SANCTUARY

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Your entire donation goes to help the cats!

## 9<sup>th</sup> LIFE HAWAII HOSTS FIRST NO KILL CONFERENCE IN HAWAII



Ryan Clinton, left, Diane Blankenburg, center, Nathan Winograd, right Phyllis Tavares, left, Nathan, right

Some of the attendees at our No Kill Conference

Nathan Winograd, Director of the No Kill Advocacy Center, received a standing ovation from over 100 attendees. They heard him speak about the No Kill success stories spreading across America.

Diane Blankenburg (center), of the Nevada Humane Society (an open admission shelter), talked about how it became a No Kill Shelter. Ryan Clinton (left), Co-founder of No Kill Austin, explained how Austin, Texas became the largest community in the United States to go No Kill.

Prior to our conference, Nathan had just returned from his international No Kill Advocacy Center Conference in Washington, DC. It was attended by almost 900 people from 44 states and 10 countries.

**No Kill is not a passing fad.**

**No Kill is not a regional phenomenon.**

**No Kill is happening all over the planet.**

It is up to us to see that our legislators are educated and interested in animal welfare because most shelters are funded with our tax dollars. We need shelter directors who will effectively implement No Kill utilizing the proven No Kill Equation. If they are unwilling to do that or unwilling to embrace No Kill, they should be replaced by a director with the vision and leadership to fully embrace No Kill.

As Michael Mountain (one of the original founders and former President of Best Friends Animal Sanctuary) said: **"It's only when you take killing off the table as a way of helping the animals that you really start looking for new ways that are truly going to work."** We have got to take killing off the table. It's amazing how creative we can become when killing is absolutely not an option. It's up to us to speak for the animals. We need animal-friendly legislators and we need to remind them that animal lovers do vote.

Quite a few people expressed an interest in forming a group to advocate for No Kill on Maui. If you are interested, please call 808-572-3499 and leave your name and contact information. If you live outside of Hawaii and want to host a No Kill Conference in your community, you will find detailed information at The No Kill Advocacy center website: [www.nokilladvocacycenter.org](http://www.nokilladvocacycenter.org) You can also email Nathan Winograd through this website.

## **WE CAN BE A NO KILL ISLAND TODAY.**

### **How is that possible?**

If the Executive Directors of Hawaii kill shelters says there shall be no more killing and implement the No Kill Equation, animal lovers will rise to the occasion and help with fostering and adopting. Most people do not want the dog and cat population controlled (ineffectively) by killing. There are people who will help, but it is up to the leaders of the local municipal shelters to take a stand for life and implement the necessary steps.

The very first step is for that leader to say: "we are not killing any more healthy or treatable dogs and cats and that includes ferals." If the shelter leaders are unable to take that step; if they are mired in decades of killing and see no way out, they should be replaced. They need to have the vision to make changes. They must believe No Kill is possible. They must be totally committed to not killing any more dogs and cats as a method of population control.

There is a place for euthanasia and that is when an animal is suffering with no hope of recovery. Killing dogs and cats to control their population on Maui has not worked. It's time to implement the No Kill Equation. If you want to be part of the No Kill movement, call 9<sup>th</sup> Life Hawaii 808 572 3499

9<sup>th</sup> Life Hawaii has a limited number of Nathan's book, "Redemption and the Myth of Pet Overpopulation and the No Kill Movement in America" available free with a \$50.00 donation.

## **WHAT DO WE DO WITH YOUR DONATION? WE SAVE LIVES, OF COURSE!**



Frankie (above) had ear cancer (fairly common in white cats that live in the tropics). He has had two surgeries on his ears which, in the end, had to be completely removed. He was a brave little guy and now stands a really good chance of living a full life (indoors only).



Fanny May (above) has a rare auto-immune disorder which inflames her lips. She may require steroids for the rest of her life. If you remember her, she came to us several years ago with six babies and then took on three more over a ten week period. She is a real trooper. Your donations are giving her the chance to live the life she deserves.

**Your donations paid for Homer's (below) eye surgery.**



He was born blind and suffering from frequent eye infections. Dr. Hatt, one of our spay/neuter vets, performed the eye surgery.

Homer gets along amazingly well, using his keen sense of smell. He is extremely loving and deserves a home of his own too.

Homer is available for adoption. Won't you give this sweet, loving boy a chance?

**COME MEET OUR ADORABLE ADOPTABLES**



**CALL OUR SPECIAL ADOPTION LINE  
(808) 573-3365**

More adoptable cats can be seen through the Petfinder link on  
our website: [www.9thlifehawaii.org](http://www.9thlifehawaii.org)

## MUSINGS FROM THE EDITOR ON BLESSINGS

I am blessed that I wake up each morning in one of the most beautiful places on earth.

I am blessed that I have realized my life-long dream to help animals.

I am blessed that I am surrounded by people who love animals because they are kind people.

I am blessed and grateful to the Petco Foundation who has funded most of our Spay/Neuter Clinics.

I am blessed by the Ahimsa Foundation for helping us when we were a fledgling, start-up non-profit.

I am blessed by the Rescue Bank who has provided thousands of pounds of cat and dog food.

I am blessed by Dr. Tom Chlebeczek who comes all the way from the Czech Republic to sterilize cats for us (and brings other vets).

I am blessed by all the other vets who have helped us sterilize almost 5,000 cats.

I am blessed to have the support of Martin Murray who has been there for us every step of the way.

I am blessed by our anonymous supporter who issued a challenge to help reduce our huge mortgage. (Still huge).

I was blessed to have known, the late Doris Pompillio and Lori Oura, two great volunteers. Rest in Peace.

I am blessed by The No Kill Nation, the lead sponsor of our recent No Kill Conference.



I am blessed by all our supporters, volunteers and donors.



We would like to thank the Rescue Bank for arranging the donation of over 1,800 pounds of Nutro cat food (which lasts us approximately one month). From our wee little kittens to the adult cats, they all enjoyed the Nutro food. They also sent us six pallets of dog food, which we donated to several dog rescue organizations on Maui and one on the Big Island. Below a few of the hundreds of cats we feed.



## 9<sup>th</sup> LIFE NEEDS HELP

Volunteers needed to feed cats, clean up catteries and play with the kitties.

Volunteers needed to foster and help with our adoption clinics.

Volunteer coordinator needed to organize and schedule the volunteers.

Painters, carpenters, fence installers needed for routine maintenance around the sanctuary. We need to install Purrfect Cat Fencing (supplies on hand) around our new Adoption Area.

Heavy duty wood chipper/mulcher. We have to pay people to haul our green waste. We would like to use the green waste around the property as mulch and eliminate haulage and dumping fees.

Van or SUV needed to transport cats to and from our Spay/Neuter clinics and also for hauling large amounts of cat food and kitty litter from stores.

### YES, I WANT TO SAVE LIVES!

On behalf of all the kitties that need help, we ask you to please donate at your best level.

\$25    \$50    \$75    \$100    Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_ We have some extra books from our conference. A \$50.00 donation will receive a copy of "Redemption, the Myth of Pet Overpopulation and the No Kill Revolution in America" by Nathan Winograd. A must read for animal lovers.

Sponsor a cat for a year (\$250.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I want to help sterilize at least 10 cats \$500.00

Sponsor a multi-day Spay/Neuter clinic \$5,000.00

**We need donors to keep our clinics running. Partial donations for the clinics are VERY, VERY welcome.**

You can also set up monthly or individual donations with a credit or debit card by using the PayPal link on our website: [www.9thlifehawaii.org](http://www.9thlifehawaii.org)

### WOULD YOU LIKE TO DONATE?

Cat food, litter, cat condos, and dog or cat carriers.

Sponsor for ads of our adoptables in newspapers.

Donations can be mailed to:

**9<sup>th</sup> Life Hawaii  
Box 476  
Makawao, HI 96768**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

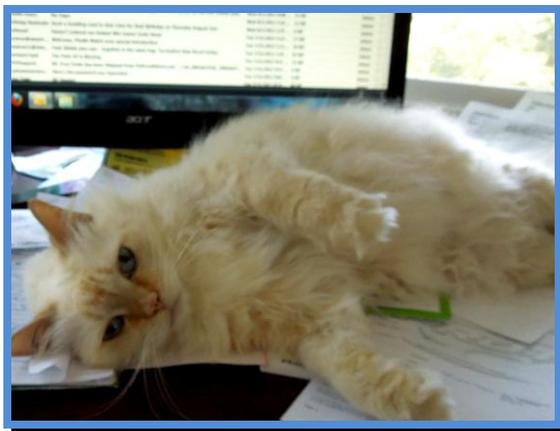
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## IN MEMORIAM

Sweet "Molly" will never be forgotten - Mary Artese

In loving memory of "Sweetness" (1986-2009) and "Popoki" (1992-2012) from Joe Scuro.

## WHAT CAN CATS DO FOR US?



They can warm our soul. They can help us with our office work. They can purrrrrrrrrrr.

## WHAT CAN WE DO FOR THEM?

We can form an advocacy group and become actively involved in the No Kill Movement.  
Call (808) 572-3499 if you are interested.

**BELOW IS A LINK TO THE TRAILER OF THE UPCOMING NO KILL DOCUMENTARY FILM.**

**In 12 minutes, this trailer will explain how the animal protection movement was founded; how it lost its way, and how it is recapturing its roots.**

**In short, it explains why shelters kill, what some shelters have done to stop killing and why every shelter can do the same.**

Here's the link: <http://vimeo.com/48445902>