Aloha Friends,

I love this time of year! The days are a little shorter. The nights are a little cooler. And, we are heading into my favorite time of year! With the many activities we do over the course of the year, the year-end ones are my preferred. The Annual Howl’ween Dog Walks are right around the corner followed closely by Thanksgiving. That week of appreciation moves smoothly into the Season of Giving. December seems to be filled with more kindness, happiness and peace.

And, as summer moves into fall, our life-saving work continues. The work and services the Hawaii Island Humane Society provides to the animals and people in our community is inspiring and quite honestly, pretty darn incredible. We are the true definition of an open-admission animal shelter — turning no animal in need away regardless of the animal’s species, breed, age, and temperament, and health, medical or physical condition.

Our animal population on any given day is diverse and as such, requires our dedicated staff to be able to humanely handle any type of animal and animal situation one can imagine. Through the work of our committed staff and the assistance of our compassionate volunteers, we are able to meet those challenges head on. HIHS offers a variety of programs including pet adoptions, community education, and pet retention advice; spay/neuter assistance, lost and found services, microchip services, transfers to partner shelters and much more.

Your support makes our work possible. Thank you for considering us in our season of giving. Thank you! I hope to see you at an upcoming event this fall or at one of our shelters.

With Sincere Appreciation,
Donna Whitaker
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
HAWAII ISLAND HUMANE SOCIETY

Animal Community Center Update

The first half of 2016 has been an eventful time behind-the-scenes for the HIHS Design, Engineering and Construction team. Kona-based Tinguely Development and Colorado-based Animal Arts, our lead architects and experts in the field of animal sheltering, finalized our 12-acre campus site plan for County of Hawaii Site Plan Approval.

The new campus site is indeed large, and with its sloping terrain, posed challenges for the team to meet all engineering and ADA requirements. HIHS developed the detailed site plan for the entire 12 acres upfront rather than segment it over time. While this additional planning extended the timeline, it was the right decision to assess and evaluate the property in its entirety and to be plan ready for future phases.

The release date for the Request for Proposals covering the construction of the two dog parks is expected very soon. Exciting indeed as we expect the two dog parks to be completed early next year. The Central Bark dog parks, overwhelmingly supported by the animal community, are situated closest to the entry road and will be constructed first. Renovation and construction of animal sheltering structures (Camp Canine and the Cat Barn) and the Welcome Center will follow.
After a 16-year career with HIHS, Sandi Coit retires from our Waimea Shelter at the end of October. Sandi spent nine years at the Kona Shelter and then relocated to the Waimea Shelter. According to Sandi, “Over the years I have just about done it all, reception, intake, adoption, emotional support for owners of pets that are passing, surgery assistance, Pet Walk helper, clean and feed, laundry, photo taker for the kennel cards, payroll, dispatch and badged humane officer. As they say, “Jack of All Trades, Master of None!” We beg to disagree and believe that Sandi mastered the very spirit of HIHS. Sandi has fond memories of current and past HIHS associates and credits them with much of the joy she derived from her work. The best part of her workday? Being able to reunite a lost pet with its owner! Sandi’s immediate post-retirement plan is to help her dogs, Curl E., Chew E. and Radar (pictured with her above), understand she can now sleep in past 5:15 and that the morning walk will come later.

Mahalo to Tess’s Table Arts and Crafts Workshop and all those who came out to show their support at the String Art Fundraiser. Over $700 was raised for our shelter animals along with some amazing string art projects.

The recently concluded Give Aloha program provides matching generosity when donors give to Hawaii Island Humane Society at checkout at any Foodland, Sack N Save or Foodland Farms.

Hawaii Horse Expo producer Nancy Jones and her incredible team brought together national and international equine experts for two full days of hands-on clinics, workshops, vendors and talk story sessions. The Hawaii Horse Expo is a benefit for the HIHS Horse Rescue Fund.

A fun time was had by all at the inaugural Charity Dog Wash hosted by A Bark Above Grooming and Boarding and Lava Dogs Hawaii. Not only did this Waimea event raise over $1,500, 250 needed towels were also donated and 5 animals were adopted into their furever homes. Thanks to all the vendors, participants, volunteers and pooches.

ADDITIONAL THANKS TO
Waimea Arts Council
Habitat for Humanity Waimea ReStore
Fresh Step
Amazon Smile
Project Blue Collar Support the Underdog
Petfinder Foundation
Adopt-a-Pet.com
PurrPacks
KTA Super Stores
McDonald’s Next Next Hawaii
Ocean View Saturday Market
And all our volunteers!
DONATIONS RECEIVED
JULY – SEPTEMBER 2016

ANIMAL COMMUNITY CENTER
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

$50,000
Marti DeBenedetti

$25,000 – $49,999
State of Hawaii

$3,000 - $5,000
First Hawaiian Bank Foundation
Jonathan & Patricia Benjamin

$1,000 - $2,999
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Laurie Lannan
Pauline Cleveland Estate
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Steve & Jenni Lee

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Hawaii Community Federal Credit Union
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John Matucha & Stefanie Delmont
Kapaa Veterinary Center
Keauhou Veterinary Hospital
Paws University
Triple R Construction
Veterinary Associates
Winnie Narusawa

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Linnea & George Roberts
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Greg Wong
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Hideo & Debra Tanaka
Hiram Hoomanawanui
Hunter Monson
Isabel Kalaua-Catrett
Jack Dalby
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James Smith
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Janice Naiditch
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Joan Galante
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Karen Muth
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Katie Frontelli
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Kenneth Pollard
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Kiani Cook

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Holiday Season Generosity

Please consider a year-end contribution to Hawaii Island Humane Society.

The rush of the holiday season can be a personal reminder to review and organize year-end giving as soon as possible. As you set aside time to reflect on the gift of giving, we hope you will consider a contribution to Hawaii Island Humane Society. Maximize tax savings available to you through your year-end generosity.

**Charge your credit card.** A fast and easy way to donate safely and securely at HIHS.org. You can also donate by credit card when visiting any of our three island-wide shelters.

**Write a check.** A simple way to support our immediate needs. Mail or drop off at our three island-wide shelters before December 31.

Donate to **honor** the memory of a cherished pet, friend or family member. Donate to **celebrate** a birthday, anniversary or any fun occasion.

If you have a question, or are considering a gift of securities, tangible personal property, insurance policy or real estate assets, please contact Lisa at acct.asst@hihs.org or 808-329-2135 ext 3.

**T R I B U T E S**

**In Honor of People**
- Dr. Beth Jose by Joane Henley & Terry Yuen
- Sandi & Ed Coit by Dean & Nicole Coit

**In Memory of People**
- Pua Nani Cabral & Nicki Ishii by Susan Canter
- Catherine Crill Klotz by Jane M Klotz, Donna & Christopher Biddle
- Edward “Ned” Stephens by Edwin & Sandra Coit
- Richard “Jay” Johnson by Rebecca Reeder

**In Honor of Pets**
- Moose by Carol Doty
- Bodhi & Little Socks by L & G Washburn

**In Memory of Pets**
- Kazu & Millilani by Kimberly Rodrigues & Victor Macabio
- Kes & Kona by Liz Field
- Everstar & Aragon Rick by Melodie Gilman
- Sam by Joane Henley & Terry Yuen
- P.C. by Myrna & Bruce Morrison
- Buddy by Lee & Judi Motteler
- Bailey Kunitake by Nose for Adventure
- Jolene Bouvy by Gwynne Pacheco

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In addition to dogs and cats, the Hawaii Island Humane Society also adopts out other pets such as rabbits, chinchillas, cockatiels, parakeets, goats, sheep, etc.

At the beginning of this year, HIHS began spaying and neutering all rabbits that are adopted from us.

- This was made possible by HIHS Veterinarian, Dr. Kelly Korth sharing a protocol she learned from her prior work in private practice at a mainland small animal veterinary hospital. Thank you, Dr. Kelly!

- This came at a great time because very recently rabbits became recognized as an invasive species on our island.

- At this time we only have the resources to spay/neuter the rabbits we have available for adoption.

- We will still focus on dog and cat surgeries.

- In the future, once dog and cat populations are better under control, we may be able to offer coupons for already owned rabbits.

Some Important Facts About Rabbits

- Hawaii State Law requires that bunnies must be kept off of the ground.

- They can easily dig under cages without floors and are great at escaping.

- Rabbits in the wild easily threaten our ecosystem because they prefer eating seedlings.

- Rabbits that are not spayed or neutered should be kept separated by gender.

- Rabbits are very susceptible to ear mites. If your bunny has scaly, crusty ears and is miserable, take him/her to a Veterinarian.

- The infections can get very bad and the rabbit may look miserable, like he/she is dying.

- Please get your bunny examined before giving up and surrendering him/her to us.

- Although the infection can appear severe, treatment can be easy and affordable.

Adopt! Don’t shop!

It’s Time for Giving

Consider #GivingTuesday — a global day of community giving fueled by the power of social media — celebrated on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving.

Purchase Feast on the Beach holiday gala tickets from HIHS.org and 50% of the proceeds benefit shelter animals. Don’t delay and miss out on this perennial sell out.

Save the Date

Looking for your new best friend? Subaru Hawaii Share the Love Pet Adoption Day in Kona and Hilo is Saturday, December 3, 10 am to 2 pm.

High Fire Hawaii, an art and ceramics gallery in Hilo, will host its 6th annual Art Helps event on Small Business Saturday, November 26. Proceeds from any purchase made at the gallery during Art Helps will go toward helping our shelter animals.
Humane Educator Corner

One of the greatest thrills I receive is running into kids that I have mentored, done classes or programs with and who are at that point in their lives where they are preparing for college. Hearing from them about the impact humane education has had on their lives makes me feel probably the same way a dog feels sitting pretty for that favorite treat. Makes you want to sit and sit again!

A recent article by the World Animal Net, “The Need For Humane Education,” cited humane education as an essential part of a student’s education as it reduces violence and builds moral character. It is needed to develop an enlightened society that has empathy and respect for life, thus breaking the cycle of violence and abuse.

Research has also shown that humane education has an even wider range of positive social and educational outcomes, extending to areas such as bullying, teenage pregnancy, drugs, racism and the persecution of minority groups. School attendance rates are increased, school relationships and behavior are enhanced along with improved academic behavior. What community doesn’t want to see that?

I am so excited to start the fall onsite programming with the homeschoolers as well as continue to visit local schools. Let’s bring humane education into every school, every classroom.

Dayzee and I are looking forward to visiting and sharing the gifts of humane education.

Aloha,
Bebe Ackerman and Dayzee
Certified Humane Education Specialist