



SPOTLIGHT VOLUNTEER:

Maria Gelperin

For the month of November, the Welfare recipient of the Hui Thrift Shop Volunteer of the Month goes to: Maria Gelperin! Maria came to volunteer at the Thrift Shop one day and found it so inviting and very welcoming that it is hard for her to stay away. She even brings her son, Michael, with her.

Maria arrived on island July 19, 2009. Her husband, Roger, is the 25th ID Surgeon. She has 5 children -- Valerie and Samantha are both Fire Fighters, Matthew is a Police Cadet and Combat Medic, Amanda is a sophomore at Leilehua HS, and Michael is 14 and home schooled. She also has a grandson, Ayden.

Maria says, "She really enjoys volunteering at the Thrift Shop because it makes her feel good and we always have a good time." Maria can also be found at the Fort Shafter Hui O' Wahine where she is the 2nd Vice President. She is also a Star Consultant with Mary Kay. She seems like a very busy person but we are so grateful for the hours she logs at the Thrift Shop!

Maria, thanks for making the Thrift Shop one of your Volunteer Homes! Maria received a **FREE** Hui O' Na Wahine Luncheon Voucher.

"Great opportunities to help others seldom come, but small ones surround us every day." --**Sally Koch**