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May 2, 1979

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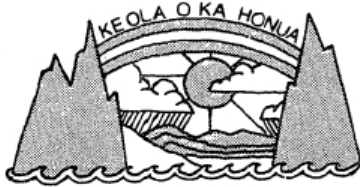
We want to thank you for your participation in Earth Day '79. Your folks have a nice display. Hopefully, many passersby learned of your endeavors, and you had the opportunity to visit other displays as well.

- Enclosed is a series of questions.
- Your responses will be valuable in our evaluation as well as in the future. Will you please send your reply to us soon?

Thanks for calling about your sales (1 shirt @ \$4), I'm surprised more people didn't take advantage of the fine items you have available.

- Mahalo for helping make Earth Day '79 what it was.
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Dennis Alger  
for CEA



## COUNCIL FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

EARTH DAY '79 is finished, and we are grateful to everyone who worked so hard and especially to all of our participants.

We have not yet begun plans for EARTH DAY '80 yet, but would like to evaluate this year's event while it is still fresh in our minds. Please help us by answering the following questions and mailing this back to us.

1. Approximately how many people stopped to see your exhibit or attend your forum?
2. How many engaged in conversation or asked for more information?
3. Did you have sign-up lists for membership or mailings or petitions? How well were these used?
4. Did you receive any contributions or sell anything? Explain please.
5. Was your exhibit on the mall or in the campus center? Were you satisfied with this area?
6. Did you view other exhibits, or forums or special programs of the day?  
Which ones and why?
7. Which environmental subjects do you feel were well represented? underrepresented?
8. What would you suggest for future events that we plan?
9. Can we add your name to our mailing list? Would you be interested in participating in EARTH DAY '80?

# POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

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U.S. Coast Guard  
Attention: Admiral Lauth  
Captain Wilkes

Re: Hokule'a

Dear Sirs:

Please excuse the long delay in responding to you regarding the training phase of the crew members of Hokule'a.

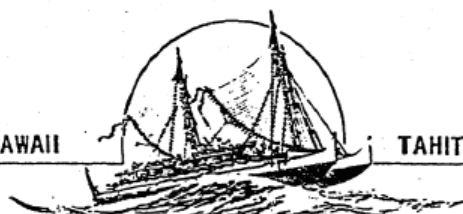
To update you on this specific point, I have enclosed copies of our training program. Kindly note that the training schedules are aimed at three levels - immediate and day sails, inter-island sails and a Tahiti trip.

Enclosed are the following documents:

1. Hokule'a Training Program - Leon Sterling.
2. Hokule'a Training Program - Hainoa Thompson.
3. Comprehensive Ocean Survival Course.
4. Ideas for a Safe Voyage on Hokule'a to Tahiti and Back.
5. Hokule'a Communications Considerations.
6. Hokule'a March 1979 Schedule.

The documents will speak for themselves regarding the inter-island sails and Tahiti trip.

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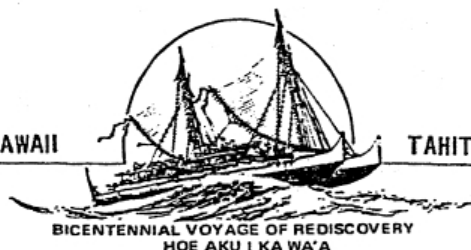
GORDON PIANAIA

As far as the day sails are concerned, it is the policy as follows:

1. The Captain is charged with crew selection and training.
2. The Captain is charged with allocation of the following duties:
  - a. Before sailing, two mates are appointed and the personnel divided.
  - b. Within their respective sub-crews, certain individuals are appointed to check the vessel (hatches, sails, lines, etc.). In addition, one man is charged with communications while two others are charged with the man-overboard procedures. An EPRIB is carried on board with one individual specifically assigned to that safety piece of equipment.
  - c. There is a one-half hour briefing before departure, including use of pumps and other emergency procedures.
3. Lastly, crew selection is broken down into 60% experienced and 40% new.

At the present time Hokule'a is in the process of making 3-4 hour sails for the purpose of testing the sails and other rigging. In addition, crew members are retraining or learning additional skills involved in sailing Hokule'a.

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This Sunday, Hokule'a's crew is scheduled to practice man-overboard drills.

Accordingly, we have no inter-island sails scheduled within the next two months. Present training consists of performing basic seamanship skills in sailing Hokule'a, including actual drill procedures in safety operations.

It is also anticipated that in April or May Hokule'a will be undertaking some evening sails to give practical experience to our celestial navigation project.

Should you have any further questions, please feel free to call me. Again, please excuse the long delay in getting back to you.

Sincerely,

POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

By

*Michael A. Tongg*  
MICHAEL A. TONGG  
President

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Enclosures

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Alu Like  
P.O. Box 27384  
Chinatown Station  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96827

Attention: Bob Moore

RE: Request for Extension of CETA Positions and Budget Allocations, Polynesian Voyaging Society

Dear Mr. Moore:

Please find enclosed information concerning our "Request for Extension" of the present CETA positions: the Administrative Secretary and the Educational Coordinator. Because of our immense organizational growth in the past year, our in-house evaluations required an upgrade in the work responsibilities of each position. Both positions' duties and responsibilities are described in detail, including additional responsibilities not mentioned in our earlier description.

Furthermore, it has become apparent that the position of the Administrative Secretary be upgraded to an Administrative Director or Executive Director in order to accommodate the added duties and responsibilities. What is not included in our "Request" is the fact that the added responsibility of assisting in the coordination of the 1980 Hawaii-Tahiti-Hawaii was not mentioned. In essence, besides Ms. Among's ability to gain experience as a possible employee, she would now have the opportunity to gain valuable "on the job" training in assisting in the coordination of a major educational project. From the standpoint of increasing her work experience from Administrative Secretary to Administrative Director, this additional work responsibility would greatly enhance her marketability from a job potential point of view. Second, she has available to herself a viable, educational training site which she herself has been able to set up and modify to suit the needs of PVS. Third, because of the required responsibilities, she would gain valuable experience in public relations, supervisory skills and decision-making. Fourth, her immediate supervisor would be Anthony Guerrero, a Senior Vice President of First Hawaiian Bank, who has had over ten years of experience in this area. Thus, she would be getting the best supervision.

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In regard to the position of the Educational Coordinator, it has become apparent that due to the number and variety of educational projects that we have accomplished, are doing, and planning, that any individual, including the present trainee, has not gained enough experience to such a degree to say that she is experienced enough to be marketable. Ms. Bell's supervisor is and would be Cecilia Lindo, an Educational Director with the Department of Education.

With this in mind, and the fact that our project is the only on-going, educational-oriented, practical training site of its kind, the PVS would like your approval in granting its Request to Extend these positions. Second, should you feel that our program qualifies under the present Federal guidelines, and that your budget would allow an additional CETA position, we could use an additional staff worker (clerical) to be supervised and trained by the Administrative Director or Executor.

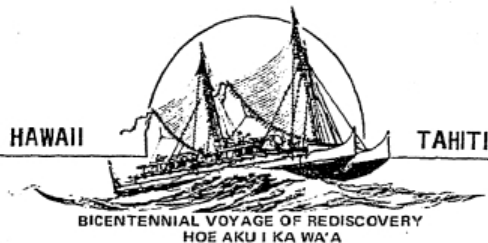
Should you have any questions, please call me at [REDACTED]. Since these positions terminate at the end of this month, I would appreciate a phone call response from you in order that I notify the Board.

Mahalo,

POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

By Michael A. Tongg  
MICHAEL A. TONGG, PRESIDENT

MAT:pg



March 5, 1979

Ms. Winona E. Rubin  
Executive Director  
ALU LIKE  
P.O. Box 27384  
Chinatown Station  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96827

RE: CETA POSITIONS  
Administrative Secretary - Marlene B. Among  
Education Coordinator - Willene Wailani Bell

Dear Winona:

It was brought to my attention at a committee head meeting that the above mentioned positions were inadvertently terminated as of Thursday, February 15, 1979. I must admit that I was shocked that these positions were terminated. It had been my understanding that these positions were to be funded until the end of March of this year whereupon there would have been a review of these positions.

In reviewing my notes with Marlene, as well as other members of the Polynesian Voyaging Society, I do recall contacting the Alu Like Field Office at least three times during the months of January and February regarding the status of the positions and the problem concerning workman's compensation. However, at no time was any mention ever made of terminating these positions on the 15th of February. Further, in speaking with Kaipe Kauka, Vice President, he informed me that he had contacted your Field Office at least four times during the month of February regarding the status of these positions. To the best of his knowledge these positions had not been terminated. Lastly, Marlene had contacted me several times before the February 15th termination date, as well as Wailani Bell, to inform me of the possible termination. I had asked Marlene to inquire into the termination notice, and was informed that their status as employees were at a standstill

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Winona Rubin  
March 6, 1979

since the Field Office Supervisor was out of town, and would not be able to verify whether or not the positions had actually been terminated. I also recall that contacts had been made several days after the 15th to find out the status of the positions and no response to these positions was given.

Because these two positions are very vital to the continuing existence of our organization, I would request that we at least discuss this matter at a meeting to follow within the next two days. It is my further understanding that because of your heavy schedule, this matter can be discussed with Hinano Paleka and Jalna Keala. I would appreciate meeting with yourself and/or both of these individuals.

Marlene will be contacting you on Wednesday, March 7th, to arrange a meeting regarding this issue.

Sincerely Yours,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

cc; Ms. Hinano Paleka  
Oahu Island Unit Administrator  
ALU LIKE

Ms. Jalna Keala  
Employment and Training Coordinator  
ALU LIKE

bcc; Myron B. Thompson  
Trustee  
BISHOP ESTATE  
P.O. Box 3466  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96801

RE: CETA POSITIONS / FOT-1013  
Administrative Secretary - Marlene Among  
Education Coordinator - Willen Wailani Bell

Dear Winona - It was brought to my attention at a committee head meeting that the above mentioned positions were inadvertently terminated as of February 15, 1979.

I must admit that I was shocked ~~upon hearing word~~ that these positions were terminated. It had been my understanding that these positions were ~~terminated~~ <sup>to be ended</sup> until the March of this year, whereupon there would have been a review of these positions.

In reviewing my notes with Marlene, as well as other members of the Polynesian Voyaging Society, regarding the above positions, I do recall contacting the Alu Like Field Office at least three times for the months of January and February regarding the status of the positions, and the problem concerning workman's compensation. However, at no time was any mention ever made of terminating these positions on the 15th of February.

Further, in speaking with Kip Kauka, Vice President, he informed me that he had contacted your Field Office at least four times regarding the status of these positions, and was later informed ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> they were not terminated.

I was informed by Kip Kauka, Vice President, that to the best of his knowledge these positions had not been terminated.

Lastly, Marlene had contacted me several times before the February 15th termination date, as well as Wailani Bell, to inform me of the possible termination. I had asked Marlene to inquire into the termination notice and was informed that their status as employees were at a stand still since the Field Office Supervisor was out of town, and would not be able to verify whether or not the positions had actually been terminated.

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Because these two positions are very vital to our continuing existence of our organization, I would require that we would request that we at least sit down to discuss this matter at a meeting to follow within the next two days. It is my further understanding that because of your heavy schedule, that this matter should be discussed by Hinano Palkea and Jalna Keala, as I would appreciate meeting with yourself and/or both of these individuals.

If it is possible could you arrange with Marlene to meet with me late Wednesday after 3:30 P.M. or anytime Thursday afternoon, March 8th, 1979.  
Sincerely ours,  
March 7, 1979


cc; Paige Barber  
bcc; Myron Thompson

cc: [unclear] of an  
appt 1st Wednes, 2/7, 1979

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Executive Director  
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Raige Kawelo Barber  
Field Administrator

Heinano Paleka, Oahu Island Unit Administrator  
Jalna Keala, Employment & Training Coordinator  


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see; Myron B. Thompson

Trustee  
Bishop Estate  
P.O. Box 3466  
Hul 96801

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Wednesday, 7/17

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March 5, 1979

TO: PAIGE KAWELO BARBER

FROM: MARLENE

SUBJ: CONTACT WITH ALU LIKE FIELD OFFICE REGARDING  
EXTENSIONS OF CETA POSITIONS

Michael A. Tongg  
President

Contacted the Field Office three times during the months of January and February with no response. Spoke to Maxine once regarding the status of workman's compensations and extension of positions - she saw no problem with The CETA positions.

Kaipo Kauka  
Vice President

February 16 - Spoke to Maxine and was informed that the positions were pending.

February 19 - Spoke to Maxine and again informed that the positions were pending.

February 25 - Spoke to Maxine and was informed that her supervisor was out of town and would return on the 26th.

February 26 - Maxine called Kip and he was out of the office.

Anthony Guerrero  
Treasurer

Never spoke to the Field Office.

Marlene Among  
Secretary

February 14 - Spoken Maxine that contracts were up on the 15th and requested information on status. She indicated that her supervisor was out and would get back to me.

Maxine called back and could not locate our contracts and requested that I call her back on February 15.



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Paige Kawelo Barber

Marlene Among (continued)  
Secretary

Wailani Bell  
Education Coordinator

February 15 - Spoke to Maxine and she indicated that her supervisor was out of town and she would get back to me when she had the information.

February 15 - Left a message to have Maxine call PVS office.

February 16 - Spoke to Maxine requesting status of our positions. She could not say because her supervisor was not in.

February 17 - Spoke to Maxine and she indicated that our contracts could not be found and she would get back to the PVS office.

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March 9, 1979

Mr. Charles Reeves

Aloha Buzzy:

Mahalo for taking the time to lend a hand to  
the POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY.

Your help in initiating the book moving project  
and supplying the manpower is greatly appreciated.  
This certainly helps us to keep a better book  
inventory.

Mahalo nui loa,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

March 9, 1979

Mr. Joy Aipoalani  
HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT  
1455 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Aloha Joy:

How nice of you to take the time to lend a hand  
to the POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY.

Your help in organizing and moving the books has  
helped us to keep a better book inventory.

Your time and effort is greatly appreciated by  
the POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY and its' Board  
of Directors. Thank you.

Mā ke aloha pumehana,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

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Mr. James Shoms  
HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT  
1455 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

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Me ke aloha pumehana,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
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March 9, 1979

Ms. Leslie Wood

Aloha Leslie:

When a person takes the time to make a gift, this personal touch makes the gift all the more special. Such is the case with the beautiful siapa tapa you presented to the Polynesian Voyaging Society on behalf of the Samoan community.

The Polynesian Voyaging Society and its Board of Directors thank you for the lovely gift and the time and effort you spent making it.

Me ke aloha pumehana,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

August 11, 1978

Dr. Charman J. Akina

Dear Charman:

The Board of Directors of the Polynesian Voyaging Society has decided to dissolve the status of crew personnel effective August 3, 1978. It is felt by the Board that the goals and objectives of the Polynesian Voyaging Society and Hokule'a be reevaluated.

In essence, a new Steering Committee for another Tahiti trip will be set up. A new crew selection process will begin. Whatever methods and procedures are used will be presented by the Steering Committee to the Board of Directors for approval before any actual selection is done. For all of those individuals who qualified for the second voyage, the experience, education, training, and knowledge which you have gained will be an advantage in having you again selected for the next Tahiti trip.

In order to further future crew mandates as well as provide continuing education for the sea persons under CETA program, Leon Sterling, Vessel Supervisor has implemented a water safety and instrument navigation program. Please call Marlene at the Polynesian Voyaging Society office (841-3966) if you wish to attend these classes. Classes commence on August 21, 1978.

Mahalo,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

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Mr. Abraham A. Ah Hee

Dear Abraham:

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In order to further future crew candidates as well as provide continuing education for the sea persons under CEWA CETA program, Leon Sterling, Vessel Supervisor has implemented a water safety and instrument navigation program. Please call Marlene at the Polynesian Voyaging Society office (841-3966) if you wish to attend these classes. Classes commence on August 21, 1978.

Mahalo,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
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Mr. Wedemeyer R. Au

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Mahalo,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
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Mr. Bruce M. Blankenfeld

Honolulu, Hawaii 96821

Dear Bruce:

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Mahalo,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

August 11, 1978

Mr. Kilila N. Hugho

Dear Kilila:

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Mr. Samuel K. Ka'ai

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Mr. John A. P. Kruse

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Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

August 11, 1978

Mr. Michael A. McGuire'

[REDACTED]  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

Dear Buddy:

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Ms. Marion W. Lyman

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Mr. Norman A. Piiianaia

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Mr. Curtiss K. Sumida

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Mr. Teikiheepo Taupu

Dear Teikiheepo:

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August 11, 1978

Mr. Hainoa C. Thompson

Dear Hainoa:

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Mahalo.

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

cc: Mr. David Lyman, III  
Mr. Leon Paoa Sterling

January 30, 1979

AMERICAN POLY VINYL CORPORATION  
2705 South Halladay  
Santa Ana, California 92705

Dear Sir:

It was brought to our attention by Captain Wolk, Marine Safety Officer for the United States Coast Guard, that your corporation constructs air bags to be used as safety floatation devices.

We would like to request a sample or description of the air bags to be used in the hulls of Hokule'a (double hulled canoe) as an additional safety feature. Please include all the specifications and costs.

Attached for your information is an in-depth description on Hokule'a, which might assist you in selecting the proper air bag to be used on Hokule'a.

Thanking you in advance for your assistance, and we look forward to an early reply.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

attachment

#### HOKULE'A

HOKULE'A is an experimental sail catamaran built in Honolulu, Hawaii in 1975 as a replica of the ancient double ended Polynesian voyaging canoes. It is 61.4 feet in length, 15.6 feet wide, has a depth of 3.1 feet and is 8.61 gross tons.

Vessel is molded plywood covered with fiberglass. The twin hulls are each subdivided into seven watertight compartments by six watertight bulkheads. Each compartment has a wooden hatch combing which is covered by a wooden hatch cover.

Each hull has a 22 inch high gunwale with two inch scupper holes on each side approximately 54 inches apart.

October 11, 1978

Ms. Lynda Mair  
Director  
HOKU LE'A SCHOOLS  
41-568 Flamingo Street  
Waimanalo, Hawaii 96795

Dear Ms. Mair:

It was unanimously decided by the Board of Director's of the Polynesian Voyaging Society that there will be no conflict in sharing the name Hoku Le'a (as spelled) for your two pre-schools.

We wish you much succes with your new school in Kaneohe.

Me ke aloha pumehana,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

Marleen

# POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

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October 12, 1978

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GORDON PIIANAIA

TO: News Media

FROM: Michael A. Tongg

RE: News Release in Response to U.S. Coast Guard Report

Admiral Moreau stated that Hokule'a was manifestly unsafe for an extended open voyage from Tahiti to Hawaii. The reason for his opinion was because of the "unsuitable design and inadequate construction."

Since the date of the incident, the Polynesian Voyaging Society has been working with the U.S. Coast Guard to comply with and repair the recommendations of the U.S. Coast Guard. To date, there are only two or three recommendations which have not been complied with. The reason being that Hokule'a has not been fully repaired.

However, once Hokule'a has been fully repaired, she will have gone through all of the physical modifications required. None of these physical modifications will have substantially changed the structural design of Hokule'a, thus, leaving her of a polynesian design.

Once these changes are completed and provided that they meet with approval of the U.S. Coast Guard and the Polynesian Voyaging Society Board of Directors, Hokule'a will then be able to continue her inter-island sails.

The remaining question is whether Hokule'a will be able to sail to Tahiti. The U.S. Coast Guard's report indicated that they would definitely be against Hokule'a sailing to Tahiti at this time. However, since our last communication with them, should Hokule'a's changes be positive, and our sailing track record on the inter-island voyages be many, successful and without incident, there is a good possibility that the U.S. Coast Guard would allow Hokule'a to sail to Tahiti.

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BICENTENNIAL VOYAGE OF REDISCOVERY  
HOE AKU I KA WA'A

December 13, 1978

Second Grade Class  
c/o Mrs. Lui  
KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOL  
Kapalama Heights  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96818

Aloha Second Graders:

On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of the POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY, I would like to express our mahalo and deepest appreciation for your generous contribution.

We are indeed grateful to the second grade class of Kamehameha School, and all the time and effort you gave to collect the newspapers and cans for recycling. The monies that you gave to the Polynesian Voyaging Society will be used to refurbish Hokule'a.

Aloha is a Spirit - - an attitude, a feeling. It is rewarding, enlightening, fulfilling and genuine. Aloha is evident in the second grade class. Mahalo and Aloha for the contribution.

'Owau iho no i ke kākō'o,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

Room 9

Mrs. Lui's Class

Grade 2

Money earned through collecting newspapers + cans  
for recycling center.

\$130.76



December 13, 1978

Master Kaneala Sheldon  
c/o Mrs. Lui  
Second Grade Class  
KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOL  
Kapalama Heights  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96818

Aloha Kaneala:

On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff  
of the POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY, I would like  
to express our mahalo and appreciation for your  
generous contribution.

We are grateful to you and all the time and effort  
you gave to collect bottles for the deposit money.  
The monies that you gave to the Polynesian Voyaging  
Society will be used to refurbish Hokule'a.

Aloha is a Spirit - - an attitude, a feeling. It  
is rewarding, fulfilling and genuine. Aloha is  
evident in you, Kaneala. Mahalo and Aloha for  
your contribution.

Me ke aloha pumehana,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

Room 9

Mrs. Lui's class

Grade 2

• Kaneala sheldon - money earned by collecting bottles  
+ returning them for deposit money

\$1.24

Hoku Le'a Schools  
41-568 Flamingo Street  
Waimanalo, Hawaii 96795  
September 22, 1978

Michael A. Tongg  
Polynesian Voyaging Society  
Box 6037  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96818

Dear Michael:

Thank you so much for your letter of August 22, 1978,  
regarding our use of the name Hoku Le'a for our two  
pre-schools. I am sorry my reply is so long in coming.  
We have been very busy setting up a new school in Kaneohe.  
There are now two schools: Hoku Le'a I in Waimanalo and  
Hoku Le'a II in Kaneohe. I hope that your board of directors  
will feel as you do, that there is no conflict in sharing the  
name, and I will appreciate a letter of clarification from them.

Sincerely,



Lynda Mair  
Director

LM:dk

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TO: Cecilia Lindo  
FROM: Michael Tongg  
SUBJECT: Attached letter to Abigail Kawanakoa

Please forward to Abigail Kawanakoa the pertinent information as indicated in my letter.

Mahalo

*Mike*

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*Done  
6/13/78  
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BICENTENNIAL VOYAGE OF REDISCOVERY  
HOE AKU I KA WA'A

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June 9, 1978

Mr. Francis Sanford  
Vice President of Government Council  
Papeete, Tahiti  
FRENCH POLYNESIA

Dear Mr. Sanford:

As President of the POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY, I would like to inform your government that I personally support the research work of Doug and Linda Balcomb of the yacht Starshine. They will be documenting the building of a canoe in the Marquesas Island group.

Sincerely yours,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

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May 27, 1978

Students of Hawaiiana  
ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL  
1120 Nehoa Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Aloha:

It is with warmest mahalo we express our appreciation to you, the Students of Hawaiiana at Roosevelt High School, for your generous contributions. As you requested, the second check for \$93.00 has been directed to the Aikau family.

Please accept the aloha and gratitude of Captain Lyman and crew of Hokule'a and the Polynesian Voyaging Society. We are deeply appreciative of your Aloha spirit and indeed fortunate to have your support.

Me kealoha pumehana,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

May 27, 1978

Ms. Mona Ishimoto  
ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL  
1120 Nehoa Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Aloha Ms. Ishimoto:

On behalf of the Polynesian Voyaging Society, I thank you for your assistance in obtaining for us the generous contribution from your students. Under your direction, you have instilled in your students the importance of perpetuating and preserving the culture of Hawaii.

The spirit in which it was given can only add to the spirit and success of the Hokule'a.

Once again, Mahalo a nui loa. Your interest and support will certainly help to make this project a success.

Me ke aloha pumehana,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

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May 22, 1978

Ms. Leilani Sterling  
LEILANI'S BEAUTY SALON  
c/o Kona Lagoon  
Kailua, Kona, Hawaii 96740

Dear Ms. Sterling:

It is with warmest mahalo we express our appreciation to you and the patrons of Leilani's Beauty Salon for the generous contribution.

Please accept the aloha and gratitude of the Captain and crew of Hokule'a and the Polynesian Voyaging Society. We are deeply appreciative of your Aloha spirit and indeed fortunate to have your support.

Me kealoha pumehana,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

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May 27, 1973

Mr. Alan Gorg  
[REDACTED]  
Makiki Station  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Dear Alan:

Thank you for your telephone call of May 24, 1978, in which you expressed your willingness to work on the possibility of putting together the unused portions of film from the 1976 Tahiti trip.

I have written to Mr. Dennis Kane of the National Geographic Society requesting that we be permitted to receive segments or portions of the film for our review. Enclosed is a copy of the letter to Mr. Kane.

When I receive his reply I will inform you of their answer.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

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May 27, 1978

Rear Admiral J. W. Moreau  
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD  
14th Coast Guard District  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Rear Admiral Moreau:

Please excuse me for not responding to you in writing since our telephone conversation acknowledging receipt of your letter dated May 5, 1978.

The purpose of this letter is to confirm in writing the position of the Polynesian Voyaging Society with regards to your recommendations as set forth in your letter.

First of all as stated to you earlier, Hokule'a will not be leaving Hawaii on any extended sea voyages during the year 1978. At the present time, there are no plans for Hokule'a departing for Tahiti or any other destination outside of Hawaii.

With regards to your recommendations in your May 5, 1978 letter, it is my understanding that items A B C E F and H have been complied with the Coast Guard. Items D and G are still being worked on with the help of experts in the field of marine and ship design. It has already been agreed by the Board that item I will be performed in accordance with Coast Guard standards prior to the vessel leaving on any voyages.

As far as your comments on safety and lifesaving equipment, communications, and training, the Polynesian Voyaging Society is in the process of adopting specific policies and procedures to assure the ultimate safety of crew members, vessel and equipment.

May 27, 1978  
Page Two  
Rear Admiral J. W. Moreau

Should you have any further questions or comments, please  
feel free to call me or write me.

Thanking you in advance for your past, present and  
anticipated future cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Gordon Pianaia  
Fred Cachola

FROM: Michael Tongg

SUBJECT: Alan Gorg

Thank you for the letter from Alan Gorg. I have written to him telling him that I have contacted Mr. Dennis Kane of the National Geographic Society to see what can be done in obtaining film footage for the Polynesian Voyaging Society for educational plugs.

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May 27, 1978

Mr. Dennis B. Kane  
Director of Television and Educational Film  
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC SOCIETY  
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Dennis:

Mr. Alan Gorg has contacted me with regards to possibly helping out the Polynesian Voyaging Society in doing some short educational motion pictures.

I was wondering if it would be possible for us to receive either segments or parts of the unused film in your film library for review. The purpose would be to put together the unused portions of the 1976 trip for educational uses on behalf of the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

I would appreciate your contacting me as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

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# POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

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March 2, 1978

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AUGUST YEE

Mr. Henry A. Walker, Jr.  
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer  
AMFAC, Inc.  
700 Bishop Street  
P. O. Box 3230  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96801

Dear Mr. Walker:

It was brought to my attention by David Lyman, Captain of the Hokule'a for the 1978 trip to Tahiti, that it was through your personal efforts and efforts of Mr. Colby Jones and Alex Jakubenko, that the Hokule'a was able to get in and out of the Ke'ehi shipyard with much success.

Please accept our sincerest gratitude. This letter is being written on behalf of Polynesian Voyaging Society Board of Directors, its crew, Ohana members and myself. Furthermore, according to Dave, you will also be a part of our send off on or about March 15, 1978 fronting Magic Island. If you require any help in coordinating the activities, and Dave is unavailable, please feel free to contact me at [REDACTED].

Should you have any further questions, please contact me at your convenience.

Thanking you for your time and cooperation.

POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

By \_\_\_\_\_  
MICHAEL A. TONGG  
President

HAWAII



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HOE AKU I KA WA'A

March 9, 1977

Dr. Stephen R. Elek, M.D.

Dear Dr. Elek:

Thank you for your letter dated January 29, 1977.

In response to your inquiry I am enclosing a copy of the recipes used in the food preparation by the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

If I can be of any further help, please be sure to contact me. As my office is in the process of moving, please address all correspondence to Alu Like Inc., P. O. Box 27384, China Town Station, Honolulu, Hawaii 96827.

Looking forward to meeting with you later this year.

Sincerely,

Paige Kawelo Barber  
Acting President

PKB:ka  
Encl. 1

cc: Polynesian Voyaging Society

Stephen R. Elek, M.D.

9735 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD  
BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA 90212  
CRESTVIEW 8-2234

January 29, 1977

Ms. Page Barber  
c/o Laurie Kohler  
Bob Thomas and Associates  
835 Hopkins Way  
Redondo Beach, CA. 90297

Dear Ms. Barber:

I read with much interest your preparation of foods and provisioning for the Hukule'a.

As a hobby, I am listed as a national <sup>salvage</sup> expert. Unhappily I know nothing about processing or preparing foods, but I do know a great deal about their medical uses etc. My purpose in writing to you is twofold: 1. If you have any written instructions regarding the preparation of food used by you, I would be grateful for copies thereof. 2. We shall be in Honolulu the last part of October, 1977 (I am conducting a group of physicians on a trip from Japan to Honolulu)- medical seminar). Would it be possible for you for me to meet with you at that time? I have a very dear friend in Honolulu, whom you possibly know, namely Dr. K. Chock of the Chock-Prang Clinic. I will leave word with him where we will be staying although I anticipate that the tour calls for two days at the Kahala Hilton.

It will be a real pleasure to meet with you and I am confident we can exchange information that would be mutually helpful. I congratulate you and your associates on a first rate voyage and I take personal pride in your accomplishment.

It would be a great pleasure to hear from you. With every good wish,

Sincerely,

  
Stephen R. Elek, M.D.

SRE/kh



# POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

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PKB

sent 4/20/78

*John*

April 19, 1978

**PRESIDENT**

~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
Mike Tongg  
VICE-PRESIDENT  
~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

Mr. Kote Lotah

**TREASURER**

~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

Dear Mr. Lotah:

**SECRETARY**

~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
Renee Miller

Several weeks ago while cleaning our office at the Polynesian Voyaging Society (PVS), I came across some envelopes addressed to me. In my haste to leave, these envelopes were placed in a box and I am only now sorting these papers out. I sincerely regret that your letter was not brought to my attention sooner, and I extend my sincerest apologies for the overdue response.

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Mr. Michael Tongg, who is now President of the PVS, will receive a copy of this letter and a copy of Dr. Finney's response to you. I am sure that he will be most pleased to initiate discussion on a future cultural exchange visit.

I found the news article, your letter and enclosures to be most interesting and hope to have the opportunity to see you and your group in Hawaii in the near future. Please be assured that follow-up -- although very late -- will be done. Thank you for writing.

'Owau me ka oia'i'o,

*Paige K. Barber*  
Paige Kawelo Barber  
PVS Board Member

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cc: Mike Tongg  
Ben Finney

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April 19, 1978

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Dr. Ben Finney  
Professor  
U.H. at Manoa - Dept.  
of Anthropology  
Porteus Hall 346  
2424 Maile Way  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Dear Ben:

Our former secretary apparently failed to properly process letters and other information such as this to appropriate people expediently.

My apologies for not knowing that you wrote. As you can see, I am attempting to follow-up at this point in time.

Mahalo for sharing.

'Owau me ka oia'i'o,

  
Paige Kawelo Barber  
PVS Board Member

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cc: Mike Tongg

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## University of Hawaii at Manoa

Department of Anthropology  
Porteus Hall 346 • 2424 Maile Way  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

16 December 1977

Dear Paige,

I saw Hokule'a being towed to the east last week;  
how goes it?

Enclosed is an inquiry concerning the PVS from the  
University of the South Pacific.

Also enclosed is a reprint of an article I recently  
did on the sailing performance of voyaging canoes  
and its implications for the history of Polynesian  
settlement. As I have indicated to Dave Lyman,  
the naval architect drawing of Hokule'a could  
be cheaply reproduced and sold by the Society to  
model builders and others.

*Alshu*

*Ben Fung*

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## University of Hawaii at Manoa

Department of Anthropology  
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Dec 19, 1977

Kote Lotah

Dear Mr. Lotah:

Thank you for your letter of December 12 about your Tomol voyage and your interest in getting together people of Hawaii who might be interested in a cultural exchange visit.

I saw your canoe at the museum when I visited Santa Barbara last spring. It looked very seaworthy; you must have had a good trip.

Your best contact in Hawaii would probably be the Polynesian Voyaging Society, the group that sponsored the voyage of Hokule'a from Hawaii to Tahiti and return. As I am no longer directing the Society I have forwarded your letter to Paige Barber, Vice-President of the Society, who is now in charge.

Enclosed is a copy of a short article on the voyage and related experiments.

Sincerely yours,

Ben R. Finney  
Professor

p.s. In 1964-66 I lived in Isla Vista while my wife and I were teaching at the University of California. From our apartment we had a beautiful view across the channel; many a time I wondered what it would have been like paddling a Tomol over to the islands.

cc: Paige Barber  
Polynesian Voyaging Society  
c/o Bishop Museum  
P.O. Box 6037  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96818  
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Dec. 12, 1977

Kote Lotah

Santa Barbara, Calif.  
93107

Dear Mr. Finney:

My name is Kote Lotah. I am a traditional Chumash Indian and the traditional religious leader for the Southern Chumash people. Recently I heard of the boat trip made by a group of Native Hawaiians. In June, 1976, a group of Chumash made a similar boat trip in a traditional plank boat called a Tomol. I participated in the construction of the Tomol and was among its crew on the trip. It has been about one hundred and fifty years since any Chumash people have rowed through the Santa Barbara Channel in a traditional boat. At one time the Tomol served as a regular means of transportation, trade and communication between the Channel Islands and the mainland.

My reason for writing this letter is to see if it would be possible for you to help me in contacting the people in Hawaii who could help me arrange a cultural exchange visit.

I would really appreciate any help you can give me in arranging this exchange. It would be a very important thing for myself and my people.

Sincerely,

*Kote Lotah*



UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC

Institute of Pacific Studies

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Inventory of Pacific Regional Organizations

Name of organization ..... Fijian Voyaging Society .....

Year it began .....

Address .....

Purpose and functions .....

Countries served .....

Nature of members (e.g. governments, or companies or individuals etc.) .....

Approximate number of members .....

Staff

Approximate total number ..... (Voluntary?)

Country (or countries) in which located .....

Nationalities of staff

(a) Pacific islanders

<u>Cook</u>	<u>Gilbert</u>	<u>Nauru</u>	<u>New Heb.</u>	<u>Niue</u>	<u>PNG</u>	<u>W. Samoa</u>
<u>Sol.</u>	<u>Tonga</u>	<u>Tokelau</u>	<u>Tuvalu</u>	<u>French Terr.</u>	<u>U.S. terr.</u>	<u>Total</u>

(b) Non islanders

<u>Aust.</u>	<u>N.Z.</u>	<u>USA</u>	<u>Can.</u>	<u>U.K.</u>	<u>Europe</u>	<u>Asia</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
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Nationality of head (President, Director etc.) .....

Budget (approx.)

Total for 1977 .....

Please turn over

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(a) Major sources of finance:

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(b) Non islands (Government)

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(c) Non islands (non-government)

<u>UN Agencies</u>	<u>Church Orgs.</u>	<u>Service orgs.</u>	<u>Other (specify)</u>	<u>Total</u>

Names of other Pacific regional organizations of which you are aware (we will approach each of them for the information)

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Please return completed form to Institute of Pacific Studies,  
 University of the South Pacific,  
 P.O. Box 1168,  
 Suva,  
FIJI



Dear Sir:

I am an artist + specializing in Old Hawaiian  
in my engravings. I had written to Dillingham hoping  
to get a copy of their 1973 Tide Calendar as it has  
fantastically beautiful + authentic pictures of Hawaiian  
canoes + outriggers. But they have that calendar in stock  
no longer + suggested I write to you. I am hoping to get these  
canoe + outrigger reproductions or similar copies of these  
pictures from you. Please send me a letter telling  
me how much you have + prices + I will send  
a check or money order off + you immediately upon receipt  
of your letter.

Anticipationly awaiting your reply.

Sincerely,

Dianne Winter

answered  
by phone



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November 3, 1978

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Aloha;

This is a letter of consideration requesting that your agency financially support the Polynesian Voyaging Society positions of Education Coordinator and Executive Administrative Secretary. The life of the Polynesian Voyaging Society rests heavily on the stability of the above positions.

These two positions are the centrifugal force of the organization and activities within the PVS. To interrupt their function at this point would be damaging to the accomplishment of the goals and objectives of the PVS.

To have the Society floundering out as a non-profit organization, dedicated to research, education and experiential Polynesian voyaging, would be a tremendous loss to those individuals interested in the cultural aspects of Polynesian voyaging. Although the PVS is a non-political entity, it can be the centering force in the Hawaiian community in re-establishing the cultural pride and interest in Hawaiian Studies.

*Educational dimensions to consider*

*In addition to the ongoing projects carried on by Ed. Comm, the S.*

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(1) floating classroom

(2) learning exp —

appeals to groups w/ learning disabilities  
& inds who find it difficult learning ~~confusions~~  
under traditional classroom ~~education~~.

① Letter consideration to Board of Directors  
of Ala Liko requesting that they carry positions  
until funds are rec'd (1 1/2 mos.) From Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>  
till Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> 0:00

② Grant application —  
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Winston Mirikitani  
Ronald P. Tongg  
Michael A. Tongg

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February 23, 1978

Ms. Paige Barber  
Aululike, Inc.  
2828 Paa Street, Suite 3035  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819

Dear Paige:

Following your eventful move from President to a Board member, and the subsequent condolences and responses of our fellow peers, I felt it necessary to express my personal gratitude and appreciation in serving as President of Polynesian Voyaging Society.

You and your in-house staff have done an outstanding job, beyond recognition, in keeping the Polynesian Voyaging Society together. Please give my aloha to all of them.

I can't say that I will miss your island charm, feathery touch, friendly persuasion, because I am looking forward to working closer with you while assuming the role of President. If I can do this, I'm sure that I can accomplish one-half of the job as did you and Ben.

My fondest aloha and appreciation. And in case you are wondering, I would like to thank you now, in advance, for the anticipated cooperation, time and patience that you will give me in the future.

Sincerely,

*MF*  
MICHAEL A. TONGG

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