



President Michael Tongg  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY  
1355 Kalihi  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819

July 7, 1979

Dear Mike:

I felt I should inform the Polynesian Voyaging Society via the written word that I am interested in being a crew member on future Holuke'a voyages.

I made an immediate confirmation during a telephone call to Ms. Among soon after receiving the official announcement.

Please indicate when the Maui training program will be scheduled and any other pertinent information I may need to know regarding crew training requirements.

I am pleased to learn that the various committees and activities are progressing so well. The news letters are informative and timely.

Thank you for your communication.

Aloha No,

  
Sam Kaai

June 20, 1979

TO: CREW CANDIDATES  
FROM: MAR  
SUBJ: NAVIGATION

The following are books that you will need to purchase for your study in navigation:

NORTHERN STAR TO SOUTHERN CROSS by Will Kyselka	\$ 4.95
FIND THE CONSTELLATIONS by H. E. Rey	3.95
THE STAR by H. E. Rey	5.95
STARS OVER HAWAII by E. H. Bryan	3.50
12 SKY MAPS FROM NORTHERN STAR TO SOUTHERN CROSS	<u>10.00</u>
TOTAL	\$28.35

Michael Tongg  
President  
Polynesian Voyaging Society  
P.O. Box 6037  
Bishop Museum  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96818

Steve Somsen  
152 Honolulu Avenue

4 June 1979

Dear Michael,

Thank you for your letter of May 22, 1979.

I would like to be considered in the crew selection process  
for the 1980 voyage to Tahiti.

I do plan to take part in the crew training program that will  
begin on Monday June 11, 1979.

Sincerely,

*Steve Somsen*  
Steve Somsen

June 4, 1979

Mr. Michael A. Tongg  
President  
Polynesian Voyaging Society  
Box 6037  
Honolulu, Hi. 96818

Dear Mike,

It is with deep regret that I will not be able to participate in the training program for crewing on the Hokule'a. Being that all the training classes are held in Honolulu it would be very tough on me financially to be able to attend. I am very interested though in whatever training classes or inter-island sailing classes that would be offered to outer island candidates. Would you definitely let me know when and where such classes would be held. We are planning to move back to the Big Island (Hilo area) sometime during the month of July. If you have any information for me as to the classes, it can be sent to our address here on Maui which I will list below.

Debi joins me in sending our aloha to you and all the members of our Hokule'a family. We are the happy parents of a beautiful, healthy baby girl, born February 13, and whose hawaiian name is Le'a!

Our best to everyone,

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Michael Tongg  
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44 June 1979


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bob liljestrand

June 2, 1979

Micheal A. Tongg  
President, Polynesian Voyaging Society  
P. O. Box 6037  
Honolulu, Hawaii 16818

Dear Micheal (and Mar):

I appreciate the invitation to participate in the training program for prospective crew members of Hokule'a. Having sailed twice to Tahiti and extensively in Hawaiian waters, I feel that I may qualify. Furthermore, with experience in documentary photography and cinematography in adverse conditions (ocean and river), I feel that I might serve the Society in a documentary capacity as well.

Unfortunately, however, a previous filmwork commitment in Mangareva, French Polynesia, makes it impossible for me to attend the training course this summer. Should my plans change, should a training program be offered at another time, or should the Society require my documentary skills and, therefore, choose to offer me some sort of abridged training program at another time, I would be honored to participate, schedule permitting. At this time I must decline.

Thanks much for this opportunity.

Sincerely and Aloha,



Copy sent to:  
Mike Fragg  
O.S. Comm  
5/9/79

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June 1, 1979

Polynesian Voyaging Society  
Box 6037  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96818

Dear sirs;

It is with deep regret that I will not be able to participate in the Hokule'a crew training program. Due to personal, school, and business commitments I would not be able to devote the necessary time to become a crew candidate. I sincerely appreciate the offer but I realize that, unfortunately, I could not keep to the training schedule you have arranged. My best wishes to your organization and to the selected crew of the Hokule'a. Aloha.

Yours Truly,

*Robert H. Rice Jr.*  
Robert H. Rice, Jr.  
President

*Copy sent to  
Jongg  
P.S. Comm  
6/9/79*

MEMO To Chairman, Steering Committee 2 May, 1979  
Polynesian Voyaging Society

FROM Kyselka, Rothwell, Somsen, Stroup, Thompson

SUBJ Recommendations for Crew Candidate Training Course

We transmit herewith the results of two meetings during which the crew training schedule contained in the Proposal and Plan for Hokule'a Voyage to Tahiti and Return, 1980, was examined and revised.

We would like to emphasize that the attached material was developed as the minimum practical level of instruction that would at the same time be possible to achieve in the short time available between now and the date (1 October 1979) when two voyaging crews must be selected.

Although no attempt was made to detail an advanced course for selected crews, we feel that several topics listed in the Proposal and Plan were inappropriate for a primary course, and should be included in the advanced course. Among these are radio communication, first aid, practical navigation, recording and documentation of the voyage and of experiments, care and control of food and water, and certain emergency procedures.

We would also like to suggest some other thoughts we had while discussing training:

1. It is very important that this training program be started as soon as possible, preferably by June 4. This will require that candidate selection be made without delay.
2. Since in effect we are conducting a school, we should select a principal. We recommend Jan Dill.
3. Instructors should be encouraged to develop lecture notes in advance of each class session, and each session should be tape-recorded. This has two benefits: to help outside island candidates and those who cannot attend all sessions; and to form a syllabus for later training and for community education purposes.

use to  
summary  
specialists

4. It will be necessary to evaluate each student. Because conventional classroom evaluation such as tests and quizzes may be inappropriate, instructor evaluation will be required. In addition, it will be possible to form evaluations during day sails and overnight sails. Whatever form of evaluation is used, it should be coordinated with the Crew Selection Committee, which in any case will have the final say.

5. We also recommend that development and conduct of this training course be coordinated with the education committee.

Respectfully submitted:



Guy Rothwell

Nancy Middlesworth

PRIMARY COURSE: List of Subjects

No. 16<sup>th</sup>  
cancel

June 11  
7:30  
Kamehameha  
Schools

1. Orientation: Goals and Objectives of Polynesian Voyaging Society. Objectives of the planned voyage. Outline of the training and selection process.

Instructor: PVS President or Board Member 2 hours

June 16<sup>th</sup>  
June 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Sat morn

2. Vessel Orientation: History of the Hokulea. Construction Nomenclature. Vessel sailing characteristics. Basic seamanship. This session classroom only. (6/13)

Instructor: Wally Froiseth\* 2 hrs each 2 hours

June 16<sup>th</sup>  
June 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Sat morn

3. Basic Seamanship: Dockside familiarization with vessel, sail handling, etc. Two groups, weekend mornings.

Instructor: Wally Froiseth 2 hours

Yow Dill

June 18<sup>th</sup>  
6:20 AM

4. Safety and Emergency Procedures: Demonstrations of emergency equipment, when and how to use. Man overboard. Maneuvers and procedures for same plus shortened sail, damaged rigging, hull or equipment. Distress procedures, including injured crew member.

Instructor: Steve Somsen 4 hours

June 26<sup>th</sup>

5. Culture: Migration theories. Sailing Routes, canoe types. Traditions, legends and historical data. Non-instrumental navigation, what it is, how it works.

Instructors: Abe Piansea, Alex Spoehr 4 hours

27-June  
9-11 July  
11-July  
6-8 Aug

6. Navigation:

Nautical Astronomy Will Kyselka 2 hours

Sun, Moon, Stars:  
direction, latitude,  
longitude. Will Kyselka 2 hours

Star Identification Will Kyselka 4 hours

Field trips to Kaena Pt.,  
Makapuu, for star ident. Kyselka, Thompson,  
Somsen, Stroup.  
2 evenings (mornings?)

6. Navigation (continued)

Daytime appearance of sky,  
cloud forms, wave and swell.  
Migratory birds, flotsam.

*\*Hawaii / Enlivena*  
Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_ 2 hours

7. Climatology of the Region:

*16-18 July*  
Weather patterns in eastern Pacific  
Winds, general circulation, seasonal  
changes.  
Currents, waves, and swell.  
Applications to projected sailing  
route and season.

Instructor: D. Stroup

4 hours

8. Long Distance Voyaging:

*23-25 July*  
Organization and discipline  
Food, living conditions  
Personal gear  
Incidents at sea  
Keeping of personal logs

*Gordon.  
Dave  
Ben*

Instructors: Crew members of former trips

4 hours

9. Birds and Marine Life:

*30 July*  
Migratory birds. Species, routes and seasons.  
Inshore birds. Species and habits.  
Identification. Use of pictures, stuffed  
birds if possible. Significance in navigation.

*Dr. Aubrey Berger  
Cress Apple  
U.H.  
Fish b  
Hama*

Instructor: to be selected.

2 hours

10. Health:

*Aug 1st*  
Physical and emotional well-being under stresses  
of voyage.  
Do's and don't's. Food, sleep, exposure, what to do  
in case of illness.

Instructors: Charman Akina, Ben Young, *The Puaiwa* 2 hours

11. Research:

*24 June*  
Research goals of voyage. Basis of experimental  
design. Techniques. Recording and documentation.  
Research product. Significance of research results.

11. Research (continued)

Instructor: G. Rothwell

2 hours

12. Review:

*Last 3 weeks of August*  
A total of eight hours has been provided for review of material presented. Scheduling and method of presentation are left to the instructors to arrange by mutual agreement.

Included in this time is student evaluation. Further discussion is needed to determine a suitable method for evaluation, due to the very wide range of educational backgrounds expected among the students.

13. In addition to evening classroom sessions, it is recommended that all students in the primary course obtain at least one session on the vessel at dockside, one day sail, and one overnight sail during the course. Because these "practical" sessions will be subject to weather and individual commitments, scheduling will have to be done 'on the fly' during the course.

14. Evaluation: The purpose of the primary course is twofold: First, to provide a common background of knowledge among all the crew candidates, and Second, to assist in evaluation of each candidate for later crew selection. For these reasons, it should be emphasized to each candidate that his attendance at all or as many sessions as possible, is very important.

Notes:

Suggested classroom schedule is 2 hours Monday evenings and 2 hours Wednesday evenings, allowing shift to other nights by agreement among candidates and instructors.

A total of 36 hours of classroom time is listed. In addition, two late night field trips, a morning dockside session, a one-day sail, and a two-day sail are included.

Use of the Planetarium at Bishop Museum and classroom space at Kamehameha Schools is required.

Instructors should be strongly encouraged to prepare lecture notes in advance for handout to candidates.



Notes (continued)

Instructors listed with each session are tentative: not all of those named have been contacted to determine their willingness to serve.

PROPOSED TRAINING SCHEDULE FOR PRIMARY COURSE -- 1 June 1979 thru 30 September, 1979

	PRIMARY COURSE-All applicants				ADVANCED-Two selected crews
	June	July	August	Sept	October
Orientation	*				Begin advanced crew training including:  Inter-island trips  At-sea navigation  Radio communication  advanced seamanship  Practical use of material presented in primary course  Development of crew skills
Vessel Orientation	*				
Basic Seamanship	*				
Safety	**				
Culture		**			
Navigation		** ** ** ** **			
Climatology			*	*	
Long Distance Voyaging			*	*	
Birds and Marine Life				*	
Research				*	
Health				*	
Review			****	****	
Milestones	*Crew Selection, First cut				*Crew evaluation, Crew Selection, Second cut

Note: No schedule has been prepared for the advanced course. Inclusive dates will be 1 October thru 31 March 1980.

### PRIMARY COURSE: LIST OF SUBJECTS

1. **ORIENTATION:** Goals and Objectives of Polynesian Voyaging Society. Objectives of the planned voyage. Outline of the training and selection process.

INSTRUCTOR: PVS PRESIDENT OR BOARD MEMBER 2 HOURS

2. **VESSEL ORIENTATION:** History of the Hōkūle'a. Construction. Nomenclature. Vessel sailing characteristics. Basic seamanship. This session classroom only.

INSTRUCTOR: WALLY FROISETH 2 HOURS

3. **BASIC SEAMANSHIP:** Dockside familiarization with vessel, sail handling, etc. Two groups, weekend mornings.

INSTRUCTORS: WALLY FROISETH; LEON PAOA STERLING 2 1/2 HOURS

4. **SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES:** Demonstration of emergency equipment, when and how to use. Man overboard. Maneuvers and procedures for same plus shortened sail, damaged rigging, hull or equipment. Distress procedures, including injured crew member.

INSTRUCTOR: STEVE SOMSEN 4 HOURS

5. **CULTURE:** Migration theories. Sailing routes, canoe types. Traditions, legends and historical data. Non-instrumental navigation, what it is, how it works.

INSTRUCTORS: ABE PI'IANAI'A; ALEX SPOEHR 4 HOURS

6. **NAVIGATION:**

NAUTICAL ASTRONOMY WILL KYSELKA 2 HOURS

SUN, MOON, STARS: WILL KYSELKA 2 HOURS  
direction, latitude, longitude

STAR IDENTIFICATION WILL KYSELKA 2 HOURS

FIELD TRIPS TO KAENA PT., WILL KYSELKA; NAINOA 4 HOURS  
MAKAPUU, FOR STAR IDENTIFICATION THOMPSON; STEVE SOMSEN; DIXON STROUP  
(2 EVENINGS/MORNINGS?)

6. **NAVIGATION: (CONTINUED)** Daytime appearance of sky, cloud forms, wave and swell. Migratory birds, flotsam.

INSTRUCTOR: NAINOA THOMPSON 2 HOURS

7. **CLIMATOLOGY OF THE REGION:** Weather patterns in eastern Pacific Winds, general circulation, seasonal changes. Currents, waves, and swell. Applications to projected sailing route and season.

INSTRUCTOR: DIXON STROUP 4 HOURS

8. **LONG DISTANCE VOYAGING:** Organization and discipline, food, living conditions, personal gear, incidents at sea, keeping of personal logs.

INSTRUCTORS: CREW MEMBERS OF FORMER TRIPS 4 HOURS

9. **BIRDS AND MARINE LIFE:** Migratory birds. Species, routes and seasons. Inshore birds. Species and habits. Identification. Use of pictures, stuffed birds if possible. Significance in navigation.

INSTRUCTORS: TO BE SELECTED 2 HOURS

10. **HEALTH:** Physical and emotional well-being under stresses of voyage. Do's and Don't's. Food, sleep, exposure, what to in case of illness.

INSTRUCTORS: CHARMAN AKINA; BEN YOUNG; ABE PI'IANAI'A 2 HOURS

11. **RESEARCH:** Research goals of voyage. Basis of experimental design. Techniques. Recording and documentation. Research product. Significance of research results.

INSTRUCTOR: GUY ROTHWELL 2 HOURS

12. **REVIEW:** A total of eight hours has been provided for review of presentation material presented. Scheduling and method of presentation are left to the instructors to arrange by mutual agreement.

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REVIEW - continued

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PROPOSED TRAINING SCHEDULE FOR PRIMARY COURSE -- 1 JUNE 1979 THRU 30 SEPTEMBER, 1979

	PRIMARY COURSE - ALL APPLICANTS			ADVANCED - TWO SELECTED CREWS	
	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPT	OCTOBER
ORIENTATION	*				BEGIN ADVANCED CREW TRAINING
VESSEL ORIENTATION	*				INCLUDING:
BASIC SEAMANSHIP	*				Inter-island trips
SAFETY	**				At sea navigation
CULTURE	*				Radio communication
NAVIGATION	*	*	**		Advanced seamanship
CLIMATOLOGY		**			Practical use of material
LONG DISTANCE VOYAGING		**			presented in primary course
BIRDS AND MARINE LIFE		*			Development of crew skills
RESEARCH		*			
HEALTH			*		
REVIEW			*****		
MILESTONES	CREW SELECTION, FIRST CUT			CREW EVALUATION, CREW SELECTION, SECOND CUT	

\*NOTE: No schedule has been prepared for the advanced course, thru 31 March 1980.

M E M O R A N D U M

November 29, 1979

TO: CHARMAN AKINA  
CREW SELECTION COMMITTEE

FROM: MAR

SUBJ: COMMITTEE MEETING

Aloha,

The Crew Selection Committee will be meeting on  
Monday, December 3, 1979, 1:30 P.M. at Bishop  
Estate, 567 South King Street.

Hope to see you.

Mahalo,

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M E M O R A N D U M

November 29, 1979

TO: ROLAND THARP  
Crew Selection Committee

FROM: MAR

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Mahalo,

M E M O R A N D U M

October 3, 1979

TO: CREW SELECTION COMMITTEE-POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY  
FROM: MAR  
SUBJ: SELECTION CRITERIA

The attached is a revised draft for Selection Criteria for Hokule'a Crew. Please review thoroughly.

I will advise you of the next scheduled meeting for the Selection Committee in the near future. Until then, if you have any questions please call.

Mahalo,

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M E M O R A N D U M

September 12, 1979

TO: CREW SELECTION COMMITTEE  
FROM: MAR  
SUBJ: CREW CANDIDATE SAILS  
CREW SELECTION MEETING

The attached are for your files.

Please note that on the crew candidate sails no one from the Selection Committee has signed up for the October 5 - 8, 1979 sail except for Gordon and Nainoa. Please let me know as soon as possible which sail you would like to participate in.

The Crew Selection Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, September 19, 1979, 1:30 P.M. at the Medical Group.

Look forward to seeing you.

Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'Ma' or 'Ma' with a flourish.



May 4, 1979

TO: CREW SELECTION COMMITTEE  
FROM: MARLENE AMONG  
SUBJ: INSTRUCTOR TRAINING MEETING

Please be advised that the above meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 9, 1979, at 8:30 A.M. at Kamehameha School in the Conference Room of the Administration Building. (See attached map.)

Following the meeting, Nainoa Thompson and Wallace Froiseth will meet with you to discuss the individuals on the suggested crew list.

If you have any questions, please call.

Mahalo,

Sent to.. Abe Piiaruaia  
Roland Sharp  
Charmaw Alcina  
Ben Cassidy  
Tommy Akana

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May 1, 1979

TO: CHARMAN AKINA  
FROM: MARLENE AMONG  
SUBJ: CREW SELECTION COMMITTEE

Enclosed for your information is the rough draft proposal for the 1980 voyage. Please pay particular attention to the division on Crew Selection, which is in the process of being revised by the Steering Committee.

Your comments for additions, deletions, or corrections will be appreciated.

Mahalo,

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M E M O R A N D U M

January 28, 1980

TO: Crew and Alternates

FROM: Mar

SUBJ: 1980 Voyage

Aloha,

There will be a crew orientation meeting on Saturday, February 9, at 9:00 A.M., at Bishop Estate, Kawaiahao Plaza, 567 South King Street, 2nd floor. The meeting will cover the following:

- a) Protocol in Tahiti - Siegfried Ramler
- b) Research Requirements - Dixon Stroup
- c) What is Expected of the Crew while on board  
Hokule'a - Captain Gordon Piianaia
- d) Training Itinerary - Jan Dill
- e) Documents

Training sails have also been scheduled immediately following the orientation meeting and all day Sunday. You will be reviewing the use and location of the safety equipment and man overboard procedures.

It is imperative that you make all efforts to be on Oahu during this time to insure the success of this voyage.

The Polynesian Voyaging Society will be supplying the following to the selected crew:

- a) foul weather gear
- b) airfare to Tahiti - one way
- c) living expenses for one week while in Tahiti
- d) film (with stipulations, which will be explained to you at the meeting)
- e) airfare to and from Oahu when participating in PVS/Hokule'a business beginning February 1, 1980

(Please mail your receipts to me for reimbursement.)

Departure to Tahiti will be from Hilo after March 3, and again these details will be explained to you at the orientation meeting. The Steering Committee is presently working on accommodations for your stay in Hilo.

Look forward to seeing you, and if you have any questions, make a list, and please bring them up at the meeting. We might be overlooking some important items and your input would be appreciated.

P.S. A work party has been scheduled for February 2 and 3, please be at Pier 12 at 9:00 A.M.

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January 25, 1980

Mr. David B. K. Lyman III

Aloha Dave:

The Crew Selection Committee has selected you to be a member of the crew for the voyage from Tahiti to Hawaii.

We have not, however, been able to contact you regarding this matter, and need to hear from you within 5 days from the date of this letter, as to your participation.

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Myron Thompson  
Selection Committee - 1980 Voyage

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POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

January 23, 1980

TO: CREW AND ALTERNATES  
FROM: MAR  
SUBJ: PASSPORTS

Everyone must have a current passport before departing Hawaii. It will take approximately one week to process your passport.

The Honolulu Passport Agency is located at the new Federal Building, 300 Ala Moana Blvd., First Floor, Room C-106, Courthouse section. The agency hours are from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., Monday thru Friday.

On the neighboring islands, passport applications may be made at the following post offices: Maui - Lahaina or Kahului, Kauai - Lihue, Hawaii - Hilo or Kailua, Kona.

When you apply for your passport you must have acceptable evidence of U. S. citizenship, so bring the following documents:

- 1) valid driver's license
- 2) certified birth certificate; or
- 3) previous U. S. passport
- 4) 2 duplicate photos, full face in black and white or color against a light plain background, 2" square

The cost will be \$14.00 payable in cash (exact change) or check payable to "Passport Office." For those of you who will be renewing your passport the cost is \$10.00.

Your passport

Your passport will be valid 5 years from the issue date.

Please ask for a receipt and mail it to the PVS office, Box 19000 A, Honolulu, Hawaii 96819, so you can be reimbursed.

Vaccinations are not required by the Health Department. Visa required for stay over 30 days. (If you plan to stay over 30 days, call me for further information.)

For insurance purposes, I need to have as soon as possible your date of birth. Enclosed is a self-addressed stamped envelope which you can use to send me your birth date and receipt. If you have any questions, call me at the office 841-3966 or at home 259-7000.

Congratulations to all of you and thank you for making this project a success. Aloha.

Note, Your airline tickets are being processed thru this office, and will be given to you close to the time of departure.

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May 19, 1980

Ms. Lita Blankenfeld

Aloha Lita:

Please feel free to call the office, 841-3966,  
or my home [REDACTED] after 6:30 P.M. and anytime  
on the weekends for reports regarding Hokule'a  
and the crew.

Received a code S2, which means that Bruce caught  
a fish. The media asked me what kind, told them  
it was a 10 lb. ahi. (Such lies!)

Again, if I can be of any help while Bruce is  
away just call.

Me ke aloha pumehana,

Marlene Among  
Administrative Secretary

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May 19, 1980

Ms. Patrisha Lee  
[REDACTED]

Aloha Pat:

As you probably know, the PVS office will be receiving position reports on Hokule'a once a day around 9:00 A.M. As Hokule'a nears Hawaii, we will also get direct reports from the Coast Guard on the status of Hokule'a and the crew.

Please feel free to call the office 841-3966, or my home after 6:30 P.M. [REDACTED] for the latest update. During the weekends, call me at home anytime.

If you have any questions, or I can be of help while Kainoa is away, just call.

Me ke aloha pumehana,

Marlene Among  
Administrative Secretary

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May 19, 1980

Ms. Sandra C. Wong

Aloha Sandra:

Welcome home!

As you probably know, the PVS office will be receiving position reports on Hokule'a once a day around 9:00 A.M. As Hokule'a nears Hawaii, we will also get direct reports from the Coast Guard on the status of Hokule'a and the crew.

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If you have any questions, or I can be of help while the doctor is away, just call.

Me ke aloha pumehana,

Marlene Among  
Administrative Secretary



May 19, 1980

Ms. Jan Tongg

Aloha Jan:

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If you have any questions, or I can be of help while the President is away, just call.

Me ke aloha,

Marlene Among  
Administrative Secretary

May 19, 1980

Mrs. Jacqueline Ah Hee

Aloha Jackie:

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If you have any questions, or I can be of help while Snake is away, just call.

Look forward to meeting you, when HOkule'a arrives home.

Me ke aloha pumehana,

Marlene Among  
Administrative Secretary

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March 17, 1980

Mr. Art Mersereau

Aloha Art:

I will be in touch with the Coast Guard twice daily obtaining status reports on Hokule'a and Ishka. Please feel free to call the office after 9:30 A.M. 841-3966 or my home after 6:30 P.M., [REDACTED] for the latest reports on Hokule'a and the crew. During the weekends, call me at home anytime.

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Again, please feel free to call.

Me ke aloha pumehana,

Marlene Among  
Administrative Secretary

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cc; Mrs. D. B. Lyman

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Ms. Daniela Aiu

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I am also charting the progress of Hokule'a, so as time goes on, visit the office and get a visual feel as to the whereabouts of Hokule'a.

Again, please feel free to call me and I look forward to hearing from you.

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PROCEDURES: (continued)

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On behalf of the Polynesian Voyaging Society, the Selection Committee wants to express our "aloha" to you and all of the crew candidates for your kokua in putting together Hokule'a's next sail to and from the South Pacific. We also want to say that all candidates are considered qualified crew members, if not for this sail, than for other future sails.

The Selection Committee found it most difficult to have to limit the size of the crew because of space requirements. It was additionally difficult since we know that all of you would represent the Polynesian Voyaging Society and the people of Hawaii well wherever you may go. In spite of the above, the following were selected for the up and coming sail to and from the South Pacific:

## To Tahiti

Aiu, Pat  
Baybayan, Chad  
Bertleman, Shorty  
Ho, Harry  
Kaai, Sam  
McGuire, Michael  
Piailug, Mau (Advisor)

Piianaia, Gordon (Captain)  
Somsen, Steve  
Sterling, Jo-Anne  
Sterling, Leon (First-Mate)  
Taupu, Tava  
Thompson, Nainoa (Navigator)

(The above scheduling of crew is tentative and subject to possible changes.)

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TAHITI

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To Hawaii

Ah Hee, Abraham  
Au, Wedemeyer  
Blankenfeld, Bruce  
Guerrero, Anthony  
Lee, Kainoa  
Lyman, David

Lyman, Kimo  
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Tongg, Michael  
Wong, Nathan

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The alternates are as follows:

Abrams, Scott  
Benson, John  
Chung, Louis  
Froiseth, Teene

Jones, Keola  
Kihoi, Puna  
Kruse, John  
Mersereau, Marion-Lyman  
Piianaia, Norman

*Lyman, Kimo*

Again, mahalo for your past and present interest and we look forward to your continued involvement.

Very truly yours,

Crew Selection Committee:

Charman Akina, M.D.  
Ben Cassiday  
Abraham Piianaia  
Gordon Piianaia  
Roland Tharp  
Myron Thompson

Advisors to the Selection Committee:

Mau Piailug  
Nainoa Thompson

P.S. If you are interested in how the selection was made, please call Marlene and she can send the criteria to you.

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POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

January 23, 1980

TO: CREW AND ALTERNATES  
FROM: MAR  
SUBJ: PASSPORTS

Everyone must have a current passport before departing Hawaii. It will take approximately one week to process your passport.

The Honolulu Passport Agency is located at the new Federal Building, 300 Ala Moana Blvd., First Floor, Room C-106, Courthouse section. The agency hours are from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., Monday thru Friday.

On the neighboring islands, passport applications may be made at the following post offices: Maui - Lahaina or Kahalui, Kauai - Lihue, Hawaii - Hilo or Kailua, Kona.

When you apply for your passport you must have acceptable evidence of U. S. citizenship, so bring the following documents:

- 1) valid driver's license
- 2) certified birth certificate; or
- 3) previous U. S. passport
- 4) 2 duplicate photos, full face in black and white or color against a light plain background, 2" square

The cost will be \$14.00 payable in cash (exact change) or check payable to "Passport Office." For those of you who will be renewing your passport the cost is \$10.00.

Your passport will be valid 5 years from the issue date.

Please ask for a receipt and mail it to the PVS office, Box 19000 A, Honolulu, Hawaii 96819, so you can be reimbursed.

Vaccinations are not required by the Health Department. Visa required for stay over 30 days. (If you plan to stay over 30 days, call me for further information.)

For insurance purposes, I need to have as soon as possible your date of birth. Enclosed is a self-addressed stamped envelope which you can use to send me your birth date and receipt. If you have any questions, call me at the office 841-3966 or at home [REDACTED].

Congratulations to all of you and thank you for making this project a success. Aloha.

P.S. Your airline tickets are being processed thru this office, and will be given to you close to the time of departure.

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Dear Hokule'a Crew Candidate:

As we enter into a period of extensive crew training, we seek the full cooperation and commitment of each crew candidate.

Attached are the following documents which you should carefully read:

- a) Guidelines for Crew Selection
- b) Training Schedule

Please check the training schedule and note the times that you have been selected to go on crew training sails.

You will be expected to arrive promptly at 8:30 A.M. on each day of a crew training sail at Pier 12, Honolulu Harbor. You should plan to arrive at this time regardless of any weather conditions that might prevail.

Please be sure to call the PVS office to confirm your sailing date no later than Thursday of the week in which you are scheduled to sail (841-3966) and the best time to call is 9:30 A.M., or my home before 8:00 A.M. [REDACTED].

Look forward to seeing all of you and mahalo for your cooperation in making the 1980 voyage to Tahiti a success.

Me ke aloha pumehana,

*Marlene Among*

Marlene Among  
Administrative Secretary

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M E M O R A N D U M

December 12, 1979

TO: CREW CANDIDATES  
FROM: CREW SELECTION COMMITTEE  
SUBJ: GUIDELINES FOR CREW SELECTION

Basic Missions:

1. Increase cultural exchange between Hawaii and other Islanders of the Pacific
2. Document non-instrumental navigational experience
3. Increase participation opportunities for peoples of Hawaii

Qualifications of personnel to achieve the above:

1. Compatible with one another
2. Disciplined and loyal to the captain
3. Has required seamanship including safety skills

In addition to the above:

1. Special skills may be required such as fishing, cooking, steering, medical, documentation, etc.
2. Preference to be given to those who meet the above qualifications and who have:
  - a) Residency in the State of Hawaii
  - b) Sailing experience on the Hokule'a and who did not sail to and from Tahiti during the first voyage
  - c) Demonstrated interest in and commitment to the furtherance of the objectives of the Polynesian Voyaging Society

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Evaluation Process to Determine the above Qualifications:

Item

1. Personal Interviews-B. Cassiday
  2. Medical Reports-C. Akina
  3. Attendance at Training Sessions
  - \* 4. Seamanship Evaluations-G. Piianaia, N. Thompson,  
M. Piailug
  5. Peer Evaluations
- \* Please refer to the attached schedule as provided by Marlene. In addition it is recommended that each candidate be given a seamanship station training and safety manual.

Discussion:

It is important that all candidates be given as much opportunity to participate in the total training program before final selection is made. It is therefore important that the following are completed:

1. Medical examinations
2. Seamanship evaluations
3. Peer evaluations

In regards to items 2 and 3, it seems imperative that these be completed by January 15, 1980. Final crew selection will be January 16, 1980. This will provide the crew with 1½ months of intensive preparation and training time before the earliest departure date of March 3. Item 3 will be accomplished simply by asking each candidate to "List the 12 people with whom you would like to sail."

The following dates have been adopted:

- 1) Final Selection date - January 16, 1980
- 2) Departure date from Hawaii - not earlier than March 3, 1980
- 3) Return date to Hawaii - no later than May 1, 1980

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TRAINING SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 22, 1979 Pier 12

LYMAN, David  
GUERRERO, Anthony  
MERSEREAU-Lyman, Marion  
McGUIRE, Buddy  
TONGG, Michael

STERLING, Jo-Anne  
BLANKENFELD, Bruce  
HO, Harry  
BARBER, Bert

Sunday, Decmeber 23, 1979 Pier 12

KIHOI, Puna  
FROISETH, Teene  
WONG, Nathan  
McGUIRE, Buddy  
LYMAN, David

BENSON, John  
BARBER, Bert  
CHUNG, Louis  
TONGG, Michael  
JONES, Keola

Saturday, January 5, 1980 Pier 12

ABRAMS, Scott  
AIU, Pat  
PIIANAIA, Norman  
BAYBAYAN, Chad  
KAAI, Sam  
HO, Harry

GUERRERO, Anthony  
BARBER, Bert  
LEE, Kainoa  
BLANKENFELD, Bruce  
LYMAN, David  
TAUPU, Tava

Sunday, January 6, 1980 Pier 12

ABRAMS, Scott  
AIU, Pat  
PIIANAIA, Norman  
BAYBAYAN, Chad  
KAAI, Sam  
LYMAN, Kimo

CHUNG, Louis  
STERLING, Jo-Anne  
BENSON, John  
FROISETH, Teene  
WONG, Nathan  
TAUPU, Tava

Saturday, January 12, 1980 Pier 12

AU, Wedemeyer  
LYMAN, Kimo  
KIHOI, Puna  
TONGG, Michael  
JONES, Keola  
McGUIRE, Buddy

BENSON, John  
KRUSE, John  
LEE, Kainoa  
AH HEE, Sanke  
HO, Harry

Sunday, January 13, 1980 Pier 12

AU, Wedemeyer  
JONES, Keola  
MERSEREAU-Lyman, Marion  
CHUNG, Louis  
STERLING, Jo-Anne

FROISETH, Teene  
WONG, Nathan  
GUERRERO, Anthony  
BLANKENFELD, Bruce  
KRUSE, John  
AH HEE, Snake

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TO: OUTER-ISLAND CANDIDATES  
FROM: MARLENE  
SUBJ: COURSE MATERIALS

Aloha,

I have enclosed for your information materials which were covered during the training classes in Honolulu.

As of today's date, classroom training for the outer-island candidates has not been scheduled. I will keep you advised of any changes.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call or write.

Mahalo,

*Man*

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M E M O R A N D U M

August 27, 1979

TO: CREW CANDIDATES  
FROM: MARLENE  
SUBJ: TRAINING CLASSES

Aloha,

Reminder that the crew training classes are beginning once again on Wednesday, September 5, 1979.

Please be at Pier 12 at 5:30 P.M. on September 5th.  
The class will be on board Hokule'a and will cover nomenclature and safety.

If you have any questions, please call me at [REDACTED]  
or [REDACTED]

Mahalo,

*Mar*

cc; Crew Selection Committee  
Steering Committee  
Gordon Piianaia  
Nainoa Thompson

M E M O R A N D U M

August 10, 1979

TO: CREW CANDIDATES

FROM: MARLENE

SUBJ: WEEKEND SAIL

Friday, September 21 - Monday, September 24, 1979  
Friday, October 5, - Monday, October 8, 1979

The Crew Selection Committee requires all crew candidates to participate in one of the above weekend sails. Please note that there is a possibility that you might not return to port until Monday evening. So please make all the necessary arrangements with your place of employment.

Estimated time of departure from Pier 12 for both sail dates will be 6:30 P.M. and you are expected to be at Pier 12 PROMPTLY at 5:30 P.M.

Captain Gordon Piianaia will be giving you further details on voyage preparation on Monday, September 10, 1979, 7:30 P.M. Kamehameha School, Keoua 101.

A sign-up sheet will be circulated at your class on Monday, August 13, 1979.

For the outer island candidates, please indicate on the attached sheet which sail you will be able to participate in and return your reply in the self-addressed envelope. At this time, outer-island candidates will be expected to provide their own round-trip transportation to Honolulu for the sail.

If you have any questions, please call me at the office or at home.

Mahalo.



cc; Crew Selection Committee  
Gordon Piianaia  
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CREW CANDIDATE TRAINING

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday, September 5

Course: Safety and Nomenclature  
Instructor: Steve Somsen and Gordon Piianaia  
Place: Pier 12/Hokule'a  
Time: 5:30 P.M.

Monday, September 10

Course: Research and Voyage Preparation  
Instructor: Guy Rothwell and Gordon Piianaia  
Place: Kamehameha School/Keoua 101  
Time: 7:30 P.M.

Tuesday, September 11

Physical Examinations

Place: Medical Group  
Dr. Charman Akina  
Time: 6:30 P.M.

Wednesday, September 12

Course: Migratory Birds  
Instructor: Craig Harrison  
Place: Kamehameha School/Keoua 101  
Time: 7:30 P.M.

Saturday, September 15

Day Sail and Workday

Place: Pier 12/Hokule'a  
Time: 8:00 A.M.

SIGN UP SHEET

WEEKEND SAILS

Friday, September 21 - Monday, September 24

Gordon Piianaia, Captain  
Nainoa Thompson, Navigator

Steve Somsen  
Will Kyselka  
Puna Kihoi

Friday, October 5 - Monday, October 8, 1979

Gordon Piianaia, Captain  
Nainoa Thompson, Navigator

Steve Somsen (tentative)  
Marion Lyman-Mersereau  
Anthony Guerrero

(Please return to Marlene at PVS office. Mahalo.)

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Dear Hokule'a Crew Candidate:

Please let this letter serve as an invitation to participate in a comprehensive training program for prospective crew members of the Hokule'a. Next fall a planned open-ocean voyage from Hawai'i to Tahiti and return is planned. It is our purpose to develop a cadre of trained crew, from which crew for this and other voyages can be drawn.

It is hoped that you will consider this invitation both as an opportunity and as a responsibility. You will have the opportunity to learn new skills, to improve on skills that you already have, and to share your knowledge with others.

If you choose to accept this invitation, you will have the responsibility of having made a serious commitment to the Hokule'a, the members of the Polynesian Voyaging Society, and to the people of Hawai'i.

Several training courses will be offered for your benefit. These classes will be conducted in at least six different locations: Classroom studies at Kamehameha School on Oahu, at the Bishop Museum-Planetarium in Honolulu, Field Studies for star identification at Makapuu Point and Kaena Point, Oahu, dockside on board the Hokule'a at Pier 12, Honolulu Harbor, and training cruises on board the Hokule'a. For neighbor Island candidates who cannot make attendance on Oahu other arrangements will be worked out. (Alu Like can provide the training.)

The classroom work will be held two nights a week, Monday and Wednesday nights starting Monday, June 11, 1979. We will normally meet for two hours starting

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promptly at 7:30 P.M. We expect to meet for classroom studies for ten consecutive weeks. (Please refer to the enclosed schedule of courses). Prompt attendance at all sessions will be expected.

We require that you bring to class on June 11th, the following:

- 1) Medical Clearance (if you have been examined by your physician within the last six months)
- 2) A minimum of \$2.00 for membership fees to the Polynesian Voyaging Society (all who board Hokule'a must become members of the Society for liability coverage)

Training voyages on the Hokule'a at sea and dockside classes on the Hokule'a will be held on weekends. While you will not be required to sail every weekend, you should keep in mind the value of training time at sea on board the Hokule'a.

Final crew selection will be made in October of 1979 to determine two crews: one to sail to Tahiti in March of 1980. Another crew will guide the Hokule'a back to Hawai'i in June of 1980. Advanced training for the two crews chosen to make the voyages will begin in October and continue until the time of the voyage.

Please consider this carefully and let us know of your intentions by mail or by telephone no later than Monday, June 4, 1979.

Sincerely,

*Michael A. Tongg*  
Michael A. Tongg  
President  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

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June 12, 1979

Dr. Pat Aiu  
c/o Wilcox Memorial Hospital  
3420 Kuhio Highway  
Lihue, Hawaii 96766

Aloha Pat:

Welcome to the ohana of the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

Happy to hear that you will be participating in the crew training program. I will keep you advised as to the schedule for the training program for outer island candidates.

Please fill out the enclosed forms and return to the PVS office.

Mahalo for your interest, and if you have any questions please don't hesitate to call or write.

Me ke aloha pumehana,

Marlene Among  
Administrative Secretary

M E E M O R A N D U M

September 6, 1979  
September 6, 1979

TO: OUTER ISLAND CANDIDATES  
FROM: MARLENE  
SUBJ: MANDATORY SAIL  
CLASS MATERIAL

Aloha,

Enclosed for your information is a list of items which you will need for your mandatory sail either in September or October and the lecture notes on long distance voyaging given by Captain Gordon Piihanaia.

If you have any questions, please call.

cc; Crew Selection Committee

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