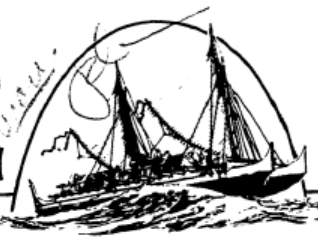


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# SOCIETY NEWS

MAHALO TO ALL OF YOU FOR MAKING  
HO'OKAHI KE ALOHA O NA MOKUPUNI  
MAI HOKULE'A A GREAT SUCCESS!

COME TO THE PVS MEMBERSHIP  
MEETING ON JANUARY 24th AT  
PRIMO VILLAGE OF THE PACIFIC

We would like to thank all PVS members and friends who attended the HO'OKAHI KE ALOHA O NA MOKUPUNI MAI HOKULE'A Luau Celebration on October 1, 1977. Your presence at Aloha Tower enabled us to realize a profit of about \$4,000, which was placed in the PVS General Fund, and which has been instrumental in providing "seed money" for our future projects. The food itself was the best, and elicited nothing but raves from everyone. The entertainment was nonstop, and contributed to the feeling of aloha that night.

This newsletter is not long enough to properly thank each of the hundreds of workers who made the luau the success that it was. Let it be said that were it not for such tireless efforts, this first PVS luau would not have gotten off the ground. The experience gained will be invaluable in our future luaus.

Auntie Dena Harbottle was the overall Chairperson for HO'OKAHI KE ALOHA O NA MOKUPUNI MAI HOKULE'A. Under her were Bert and Paige Barber who handled Food Preparation & Service, Tickets, and Clean-up; Jo-Anne Sterling for Decorations, Blossom Jamison for Sales; Scott Green of Malolo Beverage for Beverages; Keli'i Tau'a for his great lineup of entertainers, Larry Johnson and Jerry Muller for Publicity; and Eleanor Kirkpatrick & Keola Aipelena for Correspondence.

Thank-yous also go out to entertainers Andy Cummings & his Hawaiian Aires, Atta Issacs, Hokule'a, Kaimana, Karen Keawehawaii, Francis Kamahele, Louise Kaleiki's Hula Troupe, Darryl Lupenui's Waimapuna dancers, Sons of Liliha, and Na Mele O Na Opio (formerly Na Opio O Kuhio) children's group from Keaukaha Homestead on the Big Island who stole the show!

Thanks to the Honolulu media, especially KCCN Hawaiian Radio: we would not have succeeded if we didn't have Kimo Kahoano and Jaqueline Leilani Rosetti and the other d.j.'s spreading the word. Also to Chris Farias of Crisle Sound; Charles Scharsh of Aloha Tower Security; Homer Hayes of Hayes Guard Service; Malolo Beverage; Waimea Poi Mill of Kaua'i; Allen Akina Inc.; Alu Like, Inc.; Holiday Mart; Seaflyte; Hawaiian Air; and many, many other businesses.

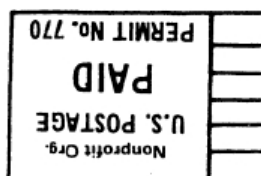
The Polynesian Voyaging Society announces its 1977-78 MEMBERSHIP MEETING, to be held on Tuesday, January 24th, 6 p.m.-10 p.m., at the Primo Village of the Pacific (98-051 Kamehameha Hwy, AIEA). There will be complimentary Primo and Schlitz beers, soft drinks, and an array of pupus for all. The use of the Primo Village of the Pacific and all beverages are compliments of the Hawaii Brewing Company, a Division of The Joseph Schlitz Brewing Company.

The following topics will be presented to all PVS members at the membership meeting:

- 1) A summary of 1977 Activities of the Hokule'a;
- 2) The announcement of exciting developments for Hokule'a in 1978-9;
- 3) The Election of new PVS Board of Directors;
- 4) Ratification of the Revised PVS By-Laws;
- 5) A slide show of Hokule'a;
- 6) Recognition of friends of the PVS (including special recognition of Dr. Kenneth Emory on his 80th birthday, and to master craftsman Mr. Wright Bowman).

We urge all PVS members and all friends to attend on the 24th; it will be an eventful evening for our Hokule'a, with her directions for the next two years being announced. Come and share in the excitement!!

Thanks to Maikai & Mabel Gonsalves, Lillian Kruse, Leon Sterling, Poomaikelani Kawanakoa, Henry Kramer, Lokomaikai Snakenberg, Frank & Gene Santos, Big Boy Kupo, Keani Reiner, John Kruse, Makaala Yates, Kathy Kaponu, Molly & David & Kimo & Nani Lyman, Jackie & Snake Ah Hee, Wally & Moku Froiseth, Philip & Miriam Naone, Chad Babayan, Rachael Wright, Blossom Santos, Eugene Kawelo, the Morales bros., Nane'a Sai, Susan Reeves, Gard Kealoha, Louis Agard, George Kahumoku, Martial & Genevieve Kaanoi, Clayton Wallace, Eugene Correa, Rev. Richard Among, Nake'u Awai, Earlene Weddle, Cecilia Lindo, Clarence Hoku Jr, Lani Harbottle, August Yee, Mary Jackson, Sol Kaho'ohalahala, Rodney Kamalii, Bill Fuhman, and so many more people who gave their time and aloha to make the Luau the success it was!



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**POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY**

#### BACK TO TAHITI!!!

The word is out! The Board of Directors of the Polynesian Voyaging Society have fully approved Hokule'a's return voyage to French Polynesia. THE OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE HOKULE'A VOYAGE WILL BE MADE AT THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ON JANUARY 24th AT THE PRIMO VILLAGE OF THE PACIFIC IN AIEA. All details will be released at this time.

This is just one more reason why the evening of the 24th will be memorable. We urge all PVS members and friends to attend. The Primo Village of the Pacific is on the grounds of the Primo brewery. Just take the H-1 Pearlridge turnoff, and go on Kamehameha Highway past Pearlridge Shopping Center. The Primo Village will be on the MAKAI side of Kam Hwy (Honolulu-bound), so make a U-turn after you pass the village. We'll be looking forward to seeing all of you there!

#### SATAWAL TRIP POSTPONED

The Polynesian Voyaging Society has decided to indefinitely postpone the Traditional Navigation Experiment on Satawal island in the Yap District of Micronesia.

In the middle of last year, one of the prospective participants suffered an injury which caused him to be hospitalized. Because of this, the Satawal trip was postponed a few months. However, since Winter ocean conditions preclude alot of sailing by the Satawalese, it was decided that it would not be worthwhile to send our men out to Satawal during the Winter months. Then, with the decision to return to Tahiti, it was decided to further postpone the Satawal trip.

All funds which were to have been used for the Satawal Experiment will be transferred to the Return to Tahiti trip.

#### NEWS FROM SATAWAL'S MAU PIAILUG

We have news from Yap District Education Department that beginning with the 1977-78 school year, they are funding a resident of each of the islands to teach the children native culture. Mau was selected to be the teacher on Satawal--which means that he will now be paid to do what he has been doing for years now: teaching his considerable skills to others.

#### "INTERVAC" FILM

Last November, Intervac, a Canadian tour firm, paid PVS \$2,000 to film Hokule'a as part of its promotional film of Hawai'i for its Canadian clientele. The money was placed in the PVS General Fund. Hokule'a was filmed

#### HOKULE'A AT THE KANEHOE YACHT CLUB

Since mid-December, Hokule'a has been berthed at the Kaneohe Yacht Club. She has had a memorable visit. On Sunday, December 11, a KYC fund-raiser was held, and well over \$1,000 worth of T-shirts and Childrens' Books were sold to KYC members. Then from Dec. 12th to the 16th over 1,500 students from various Windward District schools went to KYC to see Hokule'a and learn about her. Makaala Yates, Billy Richards, and Pat Redican gave daily presentations to the students. Tom Redican of KYC was the co-ordinator of this successful program.

Hokule'a will remain berthed at KYC until she goes into Drydock (in the very near future) to prepare her for the upcoming Tahiti venture. We at PVS would like to thank the members of the Kaneohe Yacht Club for such an action-filled stay on the Windward side. We are most grateful that such a large number of students were able to see Hokule'a.

#### PROJECTS OF THE PVS EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Our Education Committee has been successful in receiving a generous grant from the Kamehameha Schools/Bishop Estate to continue its many projects. The people of Hawaii will be the benefactors of this liaison. The funds are earmarked to complete the following:

Tape-Slide Presentation: This will highlight Hokule'a's voyage to Tahiti, events in Tahiti, and the return trip to Hawai'i. This is destined to be a classroom resource for the schools' Hawaiian studies.

Audio/Cassette Tape: This will include songs based of Hokule'a's voyages (Hawaiian & Tahitian songs), Hawaiian terminology and pronunciation relating to canoes and voyaging, & Hawaiian words used in the set of childrens' books (to help the teachers pronounce).

Activity Workbook: This will accompany the set of Childrens' Books and Teachers' Guide on Polynesian Voyaging, including maps of the Pacific, positions of Hokule'a during her journey, Pacific currents & winds, eight versions of steering by stars & seas, illustrations of canoes, tools used, sennit making, plants brought to Hawai'i on canoes, preparation of voyaging foods, and much more.

Workshops: On Polynesian Voyaging, on O'ahu and the Neighbor Islands.

National Geographic Film: Develop MINI-FILMS from the extensive footage NOT used in Dale Bell's film on various aspects of voyaging.

There are many other projects, including a Picture Book and a Speaker's Bureau. The Committee also sent Capt. David Lyman to the Mainland in November to make a presentation on behalf of the Childrens' Books to the Califor-

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Since the completion of the Bicentennial voyages, our activities have been less publicized, and there has been no regular communication with you. But we have been working just as hard. In 1977, Hokule'a appeared at functions all over O'ahu. In April came the Kealaikahiki trip, which proved the validity of the 'ancient route' to Tahiti. Hokule'a then plunged into a 4-month Educational Workshop, which took her to the Big Island (Honaunau-City of Refuge, Kailua-Kona, Kawaihae, & Hilo), Maui (Hana & Kahului), Lana'i (Manele & Kaunapau), Moloka'i (Kaunakakai), Kaua'i (Nawiliwili, Hanalei, & Port Allen) and O'ahu (Pokai Bay & Honolulu). Hundreds of people sailed Hokule'a for the first time. Thousands upon thousands of Hawaii's people who had never before seen Hokule'a got their wishes. Presentations and programs were given at each port of call. To those who feel that Hokule'a may have stagnated somewhat in 1977, all we have to do is point to this impressive record.

Your PVS' main thrust in the future will be in educating our people, especially the children, to the skills and achievements of Polynesian voyaging and navigation. The Education Committee has been ceaselessly working without publicity, to prepare books, tapes, workbooks, and other materials for use in the schools. If and when Hokule'a remains in Tahiti, all our efforts will be concentrated on educational activities.

Now comes the voyage. With your support, we can continue Hokule'a's activities. The State of Hawaii Commission for History and the Humanities has provided a generous sum for this Tahiti voyage, and other individual and foundation donations have helped. But Hokule'a needs members' support to make this voyage a reality. Memberships have always been on a 12-month renewal basis, but never enforced. We would appreciate that all members who have not renewed their memberships since March 1977 to please support Hokule'a now. To finance this trip, we have found that we can no longer afford to send newsletters to non-current members. We hope we have shown

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You are invited to join the POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY, a non-profit community group open to everyone. Donations and membership fees are tax deductible.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Hoe wa'a (paddler) student             | \$2    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hoe wa'a (paddler) adult               | \$10   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Holokahiki (sailor)                    | \$15   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kālai wa'a (canoe maker)               | \$25   |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Kahuna Kālai wa'a (master canoe maker) | \$250  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A'o hōkū (astronomer)                  | \$500  |
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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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our commitment to Hokule'a and her cause. We hope to have your commitment in return. We assure you that newsletters will be sent on a regular quarterly basis (more frequently when news permits) from now on. To our current members, we thank you for your support and ask that you enlist your friends as new PVS members. To our non-current members and friends, we invite you to join us as Hokule'a ventures south to Tahiti. Be a part of Hokule'a! Mahalo nui loa!

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David B. K. Lyman, III  
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August A. Yee  
PVS Director

Not Present: Dr. Ben Young,  
Seigfried Ramler, Larry Johnson,  
Anthony Guerrero (PVS Treasurer)



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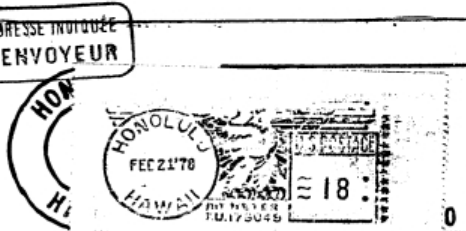
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Francis Moeava Feltier

Martinique  
(French West Indies)

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## SOCIETY NEWS

YOUR HOKULE'A SAILS BACK TO TAHITI IN LATE MARCH!!

Late next month, our double-hulled voyaging canoe Hokule'a will again undertake a 3,000-mile trek southwest from Hawaii to Tahiti! The official announcement was made on January 24th, at the Membership Meeting, by Dr. Ben Young (Project Coordinator) and Capt. David Lyman. There are five main objectives set for this latest Hokule'a voyage:

- 1) To renew and further strengthen bonds between the people of the Pacific, especially between the Hawaiian and Tahitian people;
- 2) To implement non-instrumental navigation experiments, and thus begin the process of relearning ancient navigation techniques;
- 3) To raise the lauhala sails woven on Kapingamarangi Atoll in the Eastern Caroline Islands of Micronesia;
- 4) To test more methods of ancient food preservation (though much of the crew's diet will be modern because of lack of adequate preservation preparation time);
- 5) To get Hokule'a back sailing on a long distance voyage.

No firm departure date has been set. When the canoe is fully prepared, and the crew is picked and readied, and weather conditions are right, then Hokule'a will depart Hawaii. This is as the ancient Polynesians proceeded with their voyages. If all preparations are completed as planned, Hokule'a will await the first good wind after March 15th...and a Northerly trade, not a Northeasterly trade, will be sought. At this writing, it is uncertain where her departure point will be, but she will definitely follow the Kealaikahiki route off Kaho'olawe and south of the Big Island when she begins her journey.

We are targeting the latter part of March because this is when the majority of the brighter stars are in the sky (for example, the Southern Cross is exactly upright @ midnight of March 24th), and the weather is the mildest both North and South of the Equator.

Discussions being held in Tahiti this month will determine the length of stay. One strong possibility is that Hokule'a remain in Tahiti for one year, and return in March, 1979, to Hawaii. In this way, we would once again have the most favorable weather conditions and the majority of bright stars in the sky to guide us for a non-instrumental return trip North, something that has not been accomplished for about 600 years. Meanwhile, in Hawaii, we would devote our ener-

gies to our various educational projects. The March newsletter will disclose how long the Hokule'a will remain in Tahiti.

There will be no escort vessel along on this trip; Hokule'a will be equipped with two-way communication equipment, for documentation and safety purposes.

Responsibilities for all crewpersons on this voyage are being defined and laid out BEFORE members are picked; thus, the crewman will fit the job, and not vice-versa. Each prospective member will then be selected by: A) Physical Conditioning, B) Compatibility, & C) Capability. Five crewmen (out of 14 total) have been selected as of this writing:

DAVID B. K. LYMAN, of Honolulu, named the Captain. Dave is eminently qualified for this position: He is a California Maritime Academy graduate; holds a Master License for "Steam & Motor Vessels, Any Ocean, Any Tonnage;" has served on merchant marine vessels around the world; has sailed in 3 Trans-Pac races; and has taught college-level courses on navigation, sailing, and seamanship. Dave was second-in-command on Hokule'a's historic first voyage to Tahiti, Captained the Kealaikahiki trip, and various inter-island sails through the years. He has been a Director of the Polynesian Voyaging Society since 1974.

LEON PAOA STERLING, of Kailua-Kona, has been selected as Mate. Leon has been sailing nearly all his life. He has served as Mate on vessels in many parts of the world, including the Eastcoast, Mediterranean, Caribbean, and all over the South Pacific. Leon took part in the entire 4-month Educational Workshop, and has Captained Hokule'a during various interisland sails.

NAINOA THOMPSON, of Honolulu, has been named to head a team of crewmen that will carry out various non-instrumental navigational experiments on the voyage. Nainoa or any other living Hawaiian, for that matter, cannot represent himself as a qualified traditional navigator (pointing out the fact, that on Micronesian Mau Piailug's home island of Satawal men are awarded the title of 'Navigator' only after decades of training), but is excited about beginning to re-learn the ancient Polynesian navigational methods, which were integral to a well-functioning, ancient, Hawaiian civilization. This voyage gives us a tremendous opportunity to begin re-mastering forgotten skills, and Nainoa will lead the experiments. He navigated the Kealaikahiki trip, and according to Captain Lyman, was "right on the mark, and his sense of direction, using ancient navigational techniques, was uncanny!" Nainoa learned alot while crewing on the 1976 Tahiti-Hawaii return voyage.

NORMAN PI'IANAIA, of Hilo, has been named Instrumental Navigation Documentor for Hokule'a. Norman is employed by Matsun Navigation.

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 \* Meet Hokule'a when she arrives in Tahiti \*  
 \* on our Group Excursion Fare! Better yet, \*  
 \* if enough people are interested, we can \*  
 \* charter our own jet at an extremely low \*  
 \* cost! If you are at all interested call \*  
 \* Moku Froiseth at # 732-2719 to get your \*  
 \* name on the list. We would probably ar- \*  
 \* rive in Tahiti the latter part of April. \*

## INTRODUCING THE NEW P.V.S. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

At the January 24th Membership Meeting, a new PVS Board of Directors was elected:

KEALIPUAIMOKU FROISETH, of Kaimuki, is a PVS charter member, past-Advisory Committee member, and has sat on the PVS Board of Directors since 1976. Her husband Wally heads the PVS Canoe Committee. Moku is also President of the Waikiki Surf canoe club, and has worked on a countless array of activities over the years of Hokule'a's existence.

ANTHONY GUERRERO, JR., of Kailua, is new to the PVS Board of Directors. Tony is Bank Operations Manager for First Hawaiian Bank, and Treasurer for the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Hawaii. He is a long-time paddler, and past-President of the Waikiki Surf Club.

LARRY K. JOHNSON, of Makakilo, sees his election as a way of heightening interest in Hokule'a. Larry, retired from the U. S. Army, serves the PVS in Public Relations and can be heard on KCCN and other Honolulu radio stations. He worked on Hokule'a's Haleiwa Sea Spree appearance, and at the Lu'au Celebration last October 1st.

CFCILIA KAPUA LINDO, of Alewa Heights, is a charter PVS member, and a Director since 1974. She is Chairman of the Education Committee, where PVS efforts will concentrate. Kapua is Vice Principal and Hawaiian Studies teacher at the Hongwanji Elementary School.

CAPT. DAVID B. K. LYMAN, of Alewa Heights has supported Hokule'a since she was built. He was Relief Captain on the historic first Tahiti voyage, Captained the Kealaikahiki trip, and will Captain this year's voyage to Tahiti (for more on Dave, see first page).

RENEE MILLER, of Kailua, joins the Board of Directors for the first time, having been a supporting member since 1975. Renee is employed at St. Francis Hospital as Business Manager of the Dialysis Program.

JERRY KAUMUALII MULLER, of Alewa Heights, first experienced traditional navigation in Micronesia's Yap District as a Peace Corps Volunteer. He is a graduate student in the UH

School of Social Work, and a member of halau Na Kane o Ka Lehua Mohala, has crewed on the Kealaikahiki and other interisland trips. He heads Membership and Newsletter Committees.

SIEGFRIED RAMLER, of Kailua, is Director of Curriculum at Punahou School. He is active in the PVS Education Committee, and is working on this year's voyage project.

JO-ANNE KAHANAMOKU STERLING, Kailua-Kona, wants to continue her interest in canoeing, and water-sports in general, with Hokule'a. She's a past-President of the Kai Opua Canoe Club. She and her husband Leon are part of Hui O Wa'a Kaulua Mo'olele on Maui. In 1977, they sailed on the 4-month Educational Workshop to six islands, and experienced the interest Hokule'a generates among our people.

MICHAEL TONGG, of Aina Haina, a partner in the Mirikitani & Tongg Law firm, has been interested in water sports all his life. He is a long-time paddler of Waikiki Surf Club, and has taught canoeing, surfing, and scuba diving. He crewed on the Kealaikahiki trip.

AUGUST A. YEE, of Aina Haina, associated with Holiday Mart Department Store, has been active in PVS since its inception. His efforts have been in the Educational and Fund-raising field, including the Paddle Awards Program-1976, & the Hokule'a film promotion.

DR. BENJAMIN B. C. YOUNG, of Pearl City, is a psychiatrist, and Assistant Dean of UH John Burns School of Medicine. Ben is past-President of the PVS, and was a crew member on the 1976 Tahiti-Hawaii voyage. He is coordinating this year's Tahiti return voyage.

The Members also elected a new Advisory Committee (all members from O'ahu unless noted): Dr. Charman Akina, Paige Kawelo Barber, Shorty Bertleman (Waimea), Fred Cachola, Dr. Kenneth Emory, Dr. Ben Finney, Wally Froiseth, Sam Ka'ai (Honolua Maui), Herb Kane (Kealakekua), Po'omaikelani Kawanakoa, Kahu Edward Kealanahale, John Kruse, Kainoa Lee, Gordon Pi'ianaia, Norman Pi'ianaia (Hilo), and Maka'ala Yates (Kailua-Kona).

## NEW YEAR'S UPDATE ON HOKULE'A

On Saturday, January 14th, Hokule'a took a day-sail from Kaneohe Yacht Club to Kualoa Beach. It was her first return to this very historic area since her 1974 launching, and the crew felt emotional upon arrival. She was beached, and the crew scrubbed down both her hulls in preparation for her drydocking. As usual, excited kids at the site took over Hokule'a while we worked, asking questions, and learning alot. We returned Hokule'a to her Kaneohe Yacht Club berth at sunset.

The next day, January 15th, Hokule'a returned to Honolulu. The winds died, so we were forced to use a tow, and our outboard motor, part of the time. The PVS would like to thank the members of Kaneohe Yacht Club again for their help setting up the programs to enable thousands of people to see and learn about our Hokule'a.

On Tuesday evening, January 24th, the PVS Membership Meeting was held at Primo Village of the Pacific, and we would like to thank all members who attended, and those who came to sign up to volunteer their services. After Kainoa Lee's opening 'pule', and dinner, Dr. Ben Young presented a slide-show of the 1976 voyages; he and Captain Dave Lyman then discussed the March return voyage to Tahiti, and answered questions from the audience. A new slate of Directors and Advisors were e-

On Thursday, February 9th, Hokule'a was moved from Pier 12 over to Keehi Boat Harbor to be DRYDOCKED. We would like to thank Mr. Henry Walker, President of AMFAC, and representative Mr. Colby Jones, for their kokua in providing drydocking facilities for us. Their aloha and support for PVS and Hokule'a are well appreciated!

After spending about a week in Drydock, Hokule'a will return to Pier 12 for final preparations for her long voyage back to Tahiti. If you would like to volunteer your time and help for Hokule'a as she is readied to sail, please call Jo-Anne Sterling at Ph. No. 734-4013 as soon as possible.

## TRIP BACK TO TAHITI (continued)

ate of the Merchant Marine Academy, @ King's Point, has recently received his Master Licence, has sailed throughout the world, and crewed on the Kealaikahiki trip in 1977.

DR. CHARMAN AKINA, of Aiea, has been selected as Physician on board. He will also be in charge of gathering food supplies for the voyage, and conducting the dried foods experiments. Charman will be assisting in assuring good Nutritive (food & caloric intake) and Water (hydration) requirements. He is a graduate of Stanford University Medical School, and specializes in Internal Medicine at Honolulu Medical Group. Charman keeps fit

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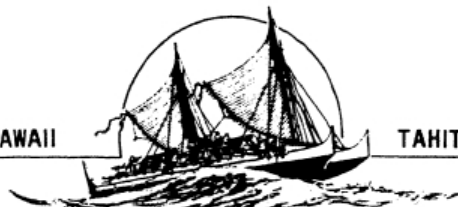
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note: this letter will be included in the next newsletter. I would appreciate all Board Members signing this after the election of officers. Thanks!

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# SOCIETY NEWS

YOUR HOKULE'A SAILS BACK TO TAHITI IN LATE MARCH!!

Late next month, our double-hulled voyaging canoe Hokule'a will again undertake a 3,000-mile trek southwest from Hawaii to Tahiti! The official announcement was made on January 24th, at the Membership Meeting, by Dr. Ben Young (Project Coordinator) and Capt. David Lyman. There are five main objectives set for this latest Hokule'a voyage:

- 1) To renew and further strengthen bonds between the people of the Pacific, especially between the Hawaiian and Tahitian people;
- 2) To implement non-instrumental navigation experiments, and thus begin the process of relearning ancient navigation techniques;
- 3) To raise the lauhala sails woven on Kapingamarangi Atoll in the Eastern Caroline Islands of Micronesia;
- 4) To test more methods of ancient food preservation (though much of the crew's diet will be modern because of lack of adequate preservation preparation time);
- 5) To get Hokule'a back sailing on a long distance voyage.

No firm departure date has been set. When the canoe is fully prepared, and the crew is picked and readied, and weather conditions are right, then Hokule'a will depart Hawaii. This is as the ancient Polynesians proceeded with their voyages. If all preparations are completed as planned, Hokule'a will await the first good wind after March 15th...and a Northerly trade, not a Northeasterly trade, will be sought. At this writing, it is uncertain where her departure point will be, but she will definitely follow the Kealaikahiki route off Kaho'olawe and south of the Big Island when she begins her journey.

We are targeting the latter part of March because this is when the majority of the brighter stars are in the sky (for example, the Southern Cross is exactly upright @ midnight of March 24th), and the weather is the mildest both North and South of the Equator.

Discussions being held in Tahiti this month will determine the length of stay. One strong possibility is that Hokule'a remain in Tahiti for one year, and return in March, 1979, to Hawaii. In this way, we would once again have the most favorable weather conditions and the majority of bright stars in the sky to guide us for a non-instrumental return trip North, something that has not been accomplished for about 600 years. Meanwhile, in Hawaii, we would devote our ener-

gies to our various educational projects. The March newsletter will disclose how long the Hokule'a will remain in Tahiti.

There will be no escort vessel along on this trip; Hokule'a will be equipped with two-way communication equipment, for documentation and safety purposes.

Responsibilities for all crewpersons on this voyage are being defined and laid out BEFORE members are picked; thus, the crewman will fit the job, and not vice-versa. Each prospective member will then be selected by: A) Physical Conditioning, B) Compatibility, & C) Capability. Five crewmen (out of 14 total) have been selected as of this writing:

DAVID B. K. LYMAN, of Honolulu, named the Captain. Dave is eminently qualified for this position: He is a California Maritime Academy graduate; holds a Master License for "Steam & Motor Vessels, Any Ocean, Any Tonnage;" has served on merchant marine vessels around the world; has sailed in 3 Trans-Pac races; and has taught college-level courses on navigation, sailing, and seamanship. Dave was second-in-command on Hokule'a's historic first voyage to Tahiti, Captained the Kealaikahiki trip, and various inter-island sails through the years. He has been a Director of the Polynesian Voyaging Society since 1974.

LEON PAOA STERLING, of Kailua-Kona, has been selected as Mate. Leon has been sailing nearly all his life. He has served as Mate on vessels in many parts of the world, including the Eastcoast, Mediterranean, Caribbean, and all over the South Pacific. Leon took part in the entire 4-month Educational Workshop, and has Captained Hokule'a during various interisland sails.

NAINOA THOMPSON, of Honolulu, has been named to head a team of crewmen that will carry out various non-instrumental navigational experiments on the voyage. Nainoa or any other living Hawaiian, for that matter, cannot represent himself as a qualified traditional navigator (pointing out the fact, that on Micronesian Mau Piaulug's home island of Satawal men are awarded the title of 'Navigator' only after decades of training), but is excited about beginning to re-learn the ancient Polynesian navigational methods, which were integral to a well-functioning, ancient, Hawaiian civilization. This voyage gives us a tremendous opportunity to begin re-mastering forgotten skills, and Nainoa will lead the experiments. He navigated the Kealaikahiki trip, and according to Captain Lyman, was "right on the mark, and his sense of direction, using ancient navigational techniques, was uncanny!" Nainoa learned alot while crewing on the 1976 Tahiti-Hawaii return voyage.

NORMAN PI'IANAIA, of Hilo, has been named Instrumental Navigation Documentor for Hokule'a. Norman is employed by Matson Naviga-

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 \* rive in Tahiti the latter part of April. \*

## INTRODUCING THE NEW P.V.S. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

At the January 24th Membership Meeting, a new PVS Board of Directors was elected:

KPALIIPUAIMOKU FROISETH, of Kaimuki, is a PVS charter member, past-Advisory Committee member, and has sat on the PVS Board of Directors since 1976. Her husband Wally heads the PVS Canoe Committee. Moku is also President of the Waikiki Surf canoe club, and has worked on a countless array of activities over the years of Hokule'a's existence.

ANTHONY GUERRERO, JR., of Kailua, is new to the PVS Board of Directors. Tony is Bank Operations Manager for First Hawaiian Bank, and Treasurer for the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Hawaii. He is a long-time paddler, and past-President of the Waikiki Surf Club.

LARRY K. JOHNSON, of Makakilo, sees his election as a way of heightening interest in Hokule'a. Larry, retired from the U. S. Army, serves the PVS in Public Relations and can be heard on KCCN and other Honolulu radio stations. He worked on Hokule'a's Haleiwa Sea Spree appearance, and at the Lu'au Celebration last October 1st.

CECILIA KAPUA LINDO, of Alewa Heights, is a charter PVS member, and a Director since 1974. She is Chairman of the Education Committee, where PVS efforts will concentrate. Kapua is Vice Principal and Hawaiian Studies teacher at the Hongwanji Elementary School.

CAPT. DAVID B. K. LYMAN, of Alewa Heights has supported Hokule'a since she was built. He was Relief Captain on the historic first Tahiti voyage, Captained the Kealaikahiki trip, and will Captain this year's voyage to Tahiti (for more on Dave, see first page).

RENEE MILLER, of Kailua, joins the Board of Directors for the first time, having been a supporting member since 1975. Renee is employed at St. Francis Hospital as Business Manager of the Dialysis Program.

JERRY KAUMUALII MULLER, of Alewa Heights, first experienced traditional navigation in Micronesia's Yap District as a Peace Corps Volunteer. He is a graduate student in the UH

School of Social Work, and a member of halau Na Kane o Ka Lehua Mohala, has crewed on the Kealaikahiki and other interisland trips. He heads Membership and Newsletter Committees.

SIEGFRIED RAMLER, of Kailua, is Director of Curriculum at Punahou School. He is active in the PVS Education Committee, and is working on this year's voyage project.

JO-ANNE KAHANAMOKU STERLING, Kailua-Kona, wants to continue her interest in canoeing, and water-sports in general, with Hokule'a. She's a past-President of the Kai Opua Canoe Club. She and her husband Leon are part of Hui O Wa'a Kaulua Mo'olele on Maui. In 1977, they sailed on the 4-month Educational Workshop to six islands, and experienced the interest Hokule'a generates among our people.

MICHAEL TONGG, of Aina Haina, a partner in the Mirikitani & Tongg Law firm, has been interested in water sports all his life. He is a long-time paddler of Waikiki Surf Club, and has taught canoeing, surfing, and scuba diving. He crewed on the Kealaikahiki trip.

AUGUST A. YEE, of Aina Haina, associated with Holiday Mart Department Store, has been active in PVS since its inception. His efforts have been in the Educational and Fund-raising field, including the Paddle Awards Program-1976, & the Hokule'a film promotion.

DR. BENJAMIN B. C. YOUNG, of Pearl City, is a psychiatrist, and Assistant Dean of UH John Burns School of Medicine. Ben is past-President of the PVS, and was a crew member on the 1976 Tahiti-Hawaii voyage. He is coordinating this year's Tahiti return voyage.

The Members also elected a new Advisory Committee (all members from O'ahu unless noted): Dr. Charman Akina, Paige Kawelo Barber, Shorty Bertleman (Waimea), Fred Cachola, Dr. Kenneth Emory, Dr. Ben Finney, Wally Froi-seth, Sam Ka'ai (Honolua Maui), Herb Kane (Ke-alakekua), Po'omaikelani Kawanakoa, Kahu Edward Kealanahale, John Kruse, Kainoa Lee, Gordon Pi'ianaia, Norman Pi'ianaia (Hilo), and Maka'ala Yates (Kailua-Kona).

## NEW YEAR'S UPDATE ON HOKULE'A

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The next day, January 15th, Hokule'a returned to Honolulu. The winds died, so we were forced to use a tow, and our outboard motor, part of the time. The PVS would like to thank the members of Kaneohe Yacht Club again for their help setting up the programs to enable thousands of people to see and learn about our Hokule'a.

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On Thursday, February 9th, Hokule'a was moved from Pier 12 over to Keahi Boat Harbor to be DRYDOCKED. We would like to thank Mr. Henry Walker, President of AMFAC, and representative Mr. Colby Jones, for their kokua in providing drydocking facilities for us. Their aloha and support for PVS and Hokule'a are well appreciated!

After spending about a week in Drydock, Hokule'a will return to Pier 12 for final preparations for her long voyage back to Tahiti. If you would like to volunteer your time and help for Hokule'a as she is readied to sail, please call Jo-Anne Sterling at Ph. No. 734-4013 as soon as possible.

## TRIP BACK TO TAHITI (continued)

ate of the Merchant Marine Academy, @ King's Point, has recently received his Master Licence, has sailed throughout the world, and crewed on the Kealaikahiki trip in 1977.

DR. CHARMAN AKINA, of Aiea, has been selected as Physician on board. He will also be in charge of gathering food supplies for the voyage, and conducting the dried foods experiments. Charman will be assisting in assuring good Nutritive (food & caloric intake) and Water (hydration) requirements. He is a graduate of Stanford University Medical School, and specializes in Internal Medicine at Honolulu Medical Group. Charman keeps fit

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Holokahiki (sailor)                    | \$15  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ho'okele wa'a (navigator)              | \$100 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kahuna Kālai wa'a (master canoe maker) | \$250 |
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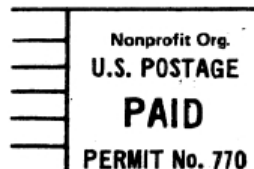
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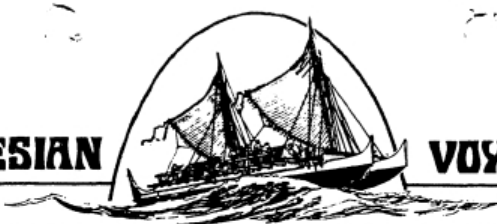
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# SOCIETY NEWS

We're sure that all of you know of the tragic incidents of last month. We also want you to know, that in the determined ways of our forefathers, we are continuing our efforts to ready Hokule'a for the water again. A generous appropriation from this year's Legislature has been passed, but again, we need the help from you, our membership. **IF THERE EVER WAS A TIME THAT HOKULE'A NEEDED YOUR KOKUA, THE TIME IS NOW.** If your membership needs renewing, please do so. If you ARE an active member, please try to get your friends to become PVS members, or even give a gift membership. **MAHALO NUI LOA!**

Our foremost and overriding concern at this time continues to be the search for crewmember Eddie Aikau.

As for the causes of the accident itself, investigations will be conducted by both the Polynesian Voyaging Society and the U.S. Coast Guard.

The Damage Report has been completed, and contrary to earlier published reports, Hokule'a sustained only relatively minor damage as a result of the accident. She has withstood incredible strains and pressures, and will be sailing again much sooner than originally expected.

The Hulls are in almost perfect shape. There is only one small hole on the starboard forward manu to be patched, and various scrapes. The lashings installed by Mau Pailug in 1975 held perfectly, are as tight as before, and will need no replacing. The iakos, or crossbeams, are in perfect shape, and need no adjustments. The decking is also unscathed.

One Boom was lost at sea, but both Masts and the other Boom are unbroken and can be reused immediately. We will replace the Mo'os (the gunwales), some extension posts, the sails, and the splash guards.

In all, Hokule'a's seaworthiness even at the present time is unquestioned. It is a tribute to her method of construction that she is in such good shape. If she had been constructed with nails and bolts, Hokule'a might have been destroyed by the accident.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Advisors, Crew and members of the Polynesian Voyaging Society (PVS), I would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all of the people who have given their support and kokua during these very trying times. Since Hokule'a belongs to all of the people of Hawai'i, it is then our responsibility and desire to share with Hawai'i our feelings and findings to date.

Our first concern is for the family of Eddie Aikau. There are no words that can express our agony over our efforts to find him so far. To Eddie Aikau's family, to his parents and friends, we express our deepest aloha. We have been blessed with the privilege of having a talented person as a part of our Ohana, knowing that he not only loved the sea as we do, but that he also understood and held a special love for Hokule'a.

Secondly, Hokule'a is now drydocked at Keelhi, where repair work will be undertaken. Despite the capsizing and towing, she is in amazingly good shape. Her hulls are sound and her lashings

remain taut. We welcome any kokua you can give.

In addition, the Coast Guard in conjunction with PVS is conducting an investigation so that we are sure no stone is left unturned in our search for all the pertinent information bearing on the incident. In this manner we are confident that we will be able to overcome this setback and forge ahead with Hokule'a's mission.

Finally, we thank all of you for the letters, donations, phone calls and visits expressing encouragement and support. The generous kokua has been unbelievable. Hokule'a was stripped and cleaned within a matter of hours. Supplies salvaged were inventoried quickly. All of this was done by volunteer help. We are deeply touched by the sincere expressions of aloha demonstrated by all of you.

There is much to do. We ask for your continued kokua and aloha as we find our way toward new horizons. We know that the spirit of our aumakua will continue to guide us and we know that most of all, our friend, our aikane, Eddie Aikau, would want us to set a new course and chart a new sail in the same magnificent seafaring spirit of our Polynesian ancestors.

Owau me ka 'oihi'o,

Michael A. Tongg  
President  
Polynesian Voyaging Society

## Commentary on KCCN

By Winona Kealamapuna Ellis Rubin

The recent events involving the Hokule'a causes me to comment briefly today

A voyage of about 3,000 miles over the vast Pacific Ocean, a voyage guided only by ancient knowledge of the stars and tides, a voyage which exposes sixteen Native Hawaiians to the elements of sun, rain, wind and sudden storms continuously in confined circumstances for approximately three weeks, a voyage which demands courage, commitment and cooperation of crew members for a concentrated period of time, a voyage which reaffirms our pride in our heritage and the strength, vision and daring of our ancestors, a voyage which tests the mettle of our current generations as they link their efforts with similar efforts of our forefathers—this in essence is the voyage of the Hokule'a.

What does the recent swamping of this

us? Many people will be interpreting the events in numerous ways. May I offer my mana'o.

- We are thankful for the safety of our modern seafarers and pray that their comrade Eddie Aikau will also be safe.
- We are reminded that the first monumental voyage of the Hokule'a was preceded by a swamping of the vessel off Kauai—a challenge to their commitment and aspirations.
- We are impressed at the still commendable condition of the hull and lashings of the vessel following this recent swamping—a credit to their skills.
- We are grateful that whatever caused the listing of the starboard hull did so within the first several hours of the voyage and still close to home and expert help—a blessing hidden in the harsh experience.
- We are proud of the courage and strength shown by the actions of Captain David Lyman and the Hokule'a crew and their commitment that the Hokule'a will sail again within a year—a reaffirmation of the fibre and faith of our generation.

Life's greatest victories are not easily attained or rushed to completion. The victory is even more significant when the challenge is great, the planning exhaustive, and the test difficult. The Hokule'a crew has shown what it's made of. We need now to offer our assistance in providing the volunteer help, donations of money and materials and our prayers for achieving their monumental goal in the future. I'm sure all Hawai'i joins us in wishing the Hokule'a crew and the Polynesian Voyaging Society well. Imua e Lanakila.

*(We would like to thank Dr. Abraham K. Akaka, Pastor of Kawaiahao Church, for his kind words and blessings for Hokule'a, her crew, and the Polynesian Voyaging Society. The following are (1) a sermon for the Hokule'a crew at Kawaiahao on 3-12-78, broadcast throughout Hawai'i by KCCN Radio, and (2) his poignant words in honor of Eddie Aikau and his family at Wairanea Bay Beach Park on 4-1-78, which mirror our deep feelings as well regarding Eddie.)*

"When the Hokule'a canoe arrived in Tahiti, and when it returned home to Hawai'i, thousands of people gathered at the seashores to give her a tumultuous welcome. The deep spiritual emotions of

long unexpressed, spilled out like lava upon our islands—to add new soil from the depths that would sustain the future generations of Polynesians."

"Ancestral roots and origins have become both precious and powerful in the lives of people everywhere, and especially in our native Hawaiian people. The arts of ancient Polynesian navigation and canoe-building are being uncovered and revived in this new generation of Hawaiians. Brother Herb Kane, Rudy Choy, Captain Kawika Kapahulehua, the crewmembers of Voyage One, and all of their co-workers, have all made great contributions. All of these people are pioneers leading us back into our past—and we all owe them a debt of deep gratitude. And now, under the leadership of Captain David Lyman, the Hokule'a will be sailing again to Tahiti. They will be sailing by the ancient instruments of stars, winds, and ocean currents, regaining the thrill and deep unity with God and with nature that our forefathers had."

"This morning, I am pleased to welcome to Hawai'i's Mother Church Captain David Lyman and the members of the crew for Voyage Two of the Hokule'a. It is noteworthy that two members of the crew—Captain David Lyman and crewmember Eddie Aikau—are direct descendants of great men of God in our Hawaiian history."

"Eddie Aikau is descended from the high priest of the reign of Kamehameha the Great—Hewahewa—who foresaw in a vision the arrival of people who would bring a higher and wider vision of God than was ever known in Hawai'i before. He reported this vision to the Queen. A few weeks later, the first messengers of our Lord Jesus Christ arrived at the exact spot prophesied by Hewahewa, at Kama-kahonu in Kailua-Kona. That was in March of 1820."

"Two other special messengers of Christ were The Rev. David Belden Lyman and his wife Sarah Joiner Lyman. They served our Lord in Hilo, establishing there the Hilo Boys' Boarding School to train young Hawaiians in vocational skills, and to prepare them for high school at Lahainaluna. Rev. Lyman also served as Pastor of Haili Church with Rev. Titus Coan. He gave 52 years of his life to our Lord and to our native people in Hilo."

"These two descendants of spiritual leaders of Old Hawai'i, Captain Lyman and crewmember Aikau, will be sailing on the Hokule'a's Voyage Two. I have asked Captain David Lyman if he would bring Aloha and something of what he hopes Voyage Two of the Hokule'a will accomplish."

(Captain Dave Lyman addressed the congregation.)

"Captain Lyman and the crew have asked for prayers and blessings. As I call their names, will they please come forward and stand before the altar of Kawai-ahao. And will you all, in this congregation, and all of you listening by Radio KCCN across our State of Hawai'i, add your own personal prayer with mine—for God's blessing upon Captain David Lyman and the crew of the Hokule'a, that the objectives of this voyage may be well accomplished."

(The Crew's names were read, and they stood before Rev. Akaka.)

"E KA HAKU MANA LOA, INA E LAWE MAKOU I NA EHEU O KE KAKAIAKA, A NOHO HOI MA NA KINI O KA MOANA, MALAILA NO

wings of the morning and go to the farthest places of the sea, even there shall Thy hand lead us, and Thy right hand uphold us . . . hear all our prayers for a good journey for all of our members of the crew of Hokule'a's Voyage Number Two. Let Thy spirit of 'ohana and of unity in purpose and program for the voyage bind every crewmember to each other, that throughout this voyage their high quality of crewmanship will be revealed in good communication with Thee and one another, in good coordination of effort, and in constructive teamwork. Let this recovery of our heritage bring to each one deep satisfaction of soul."

"Keep them in the palm of Thy hand. In storm or calm, give them what is needed to see them safely through to their destination. Thus let no evil have claim or control upon them. Help them to keep out of their hearts all destructive spirits of envy or jealousy, pride or anger, hate or selfishness. Establish what is good, and the spirit of faith, hope, love, unity, joy, and peace."

"So let the beauty and glory of the Lord our God be upon them and Hokule'a Elua. Establish Thou this work of our hearts and hands upon us. NO KA MEA HOU KE AUPUNI AME KA MANA AME KA HOONANI IA A MAU LOA AKU . . . AMENE. HELE OUKOU ME KE AKUA . . . GO WITH GOD . . . AMENE."

(Akaka's service for Eddie at Waimea Bay, 4-1-78)

MA KA INOA O KA MAKUA, KE KEIKI, AME KA UHANE HEMOLELE . . . In the name of the Father, and the son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

"Eddie Ryon Makuahana Aikau gave his life to save others. Because God has put something in our ancestors and in us that keeps searching, sure that somewhere there is an island, a new tomorrow to be found—the most beautiful thing for us to do is to keep on searching—for to stop searching would be the worst thing in the world."

"The children of Israel wandered through the desert searching for their promised land—experiencing desolation, burning desert, barren wilderness. In that long march, many died trying to help others live. But because the survivors kept on searching, God led them to their land of promise."

"The great leader Moses began his search for the land of promise when he saw a burning bush that was not consumed by the fire in the desert. In that experience he met God. He heard the voice of God announcing the deliverance of his people . . . in such a desert, when God calls, there is no compromise. You put your LIFE on the line . . . so it was with Eddie. So it was also with Captain David Lyman and all who sailed on the Hokule'a. For had the Hokule'a capsized a day or more later, they might all have died."

"But the open sea to our kupunas and to us is like the ancient desert place was for Moses and the children of Israel. The open sea is at the heart of our Hawaiian history and of our spirit, a place of self-affirmation and of testing, the place where our ancestors and we meet God."

"This is where Eddie Aikau's greatness shines for us all. As such a pilgrim Hawaiian, he is not dead. He will live always, illuminating our own bright dreams for tomorrow with his."

is with us. It is written in Holy Scripture in Psalm 139: MAHEA LA WAU E HELE AI, MAI KOU UHANE AKU? MAHEA LA WAU E PE'E AKU AI MAI HOU ALO AKU? IN E PAI AKU I KA LANI, MALAILA NO OE. INA E HALII AU I KAHU MOE MA KA MALU O KA MAKE, AIA NO OE. INA LAWE AU I NA EHU O KE KAKAIAKA, A NOHO HOI MA NA KINI O KA MOANA, MALAILA NO KOU LIMA E ALAKAI AI IA'U, A NA KOU LIMA AKAU HOI E HOOPAA IA'U . . . E HULI MAI OE IA MAKOU, A E IKE I KO MAKOU MANOA . . . A E ALAKAI IA MAKOU MA KA OAO OLA LOA . . . Whither shall I go from Thy spirit? Or whither shall I flee from Thy presence? If I ascend into Heaven, Thou art there. If I make my bed in the valley of death, Thou art there. If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there shall Thy hand lead me and Thy right hand hold me . . . If I say 'Let darkness cover me, and the light about me be night', even the darkness is not dark to Thee, for the night is bright as the day, and darkness is as light . . . search us O God and we know our hearts, try us and know our thoughts . . . and lead us in Thy way everlasting."

"We know not where Brother Eddie is now, but we know that his body and soul are with God. Let us say together the words of the 23rd Psalm."

(After the 23rd Psalm.)

"Jesus said: 'Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you . . . not as the world giveth give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. In my father's house are many mansions; if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you . . . well done, thou good and faithful servant. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for others . . . come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'"

"There is a poem by Howard Remaly that I would like to put in the form of a prayer because it fits Brother Eddie so well in this particular moment: 'Let there be this calling moment, this time of summons, this precious beat in miracle time when Jesus calls me with still small voice, yet a voice large with laughter, noisy with joy, rejoicing noise of singing faith, a swinging, singing, rollicking faith, singing away my hurt and hurting, singing away all meanness in me, singing me home with music to chase the devils by, music that angels go dancing by in the streets, on soft green lawns, in cold and darkened hungry places, in places rich and warm where hearts are strangely discontent . . . come now, Lord Jesus, come a calling, call me back to my belonging place. Call me back to what I am to be . . .'"

"So this morning, we pray for our beloved Brother Eddie Aikau, as he calls upon our Lord to take him to his belonging place, to what he is to be . . ."

(Rev. Akaka, sifting sand, continues)

"Bless Papa Solomon and Mama Henrietta, all of the Aikau Family . . . give the blessing of courage, strength of faith, power of prayer . . ."

(Rev. Akaka then translated the third verse of "Hawaii Aloha" and led everyone singing it with his ukulele.)

"Let God's love now enfold you . . . let there be soft singing for Brother Eddie—the songs he knew and loved . . . let your songs be 'as angel choirs singing

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The whole crew remained onboard Hokule'a throughout the night and the following day. Rescue efforts began on the night of March 17, 1978 and were completed by late evening on March 18, 1978 when Hokule'a was towed to Ke'ehi Shipyard.

Only one member, lifeguard and surfer, Eddie Aikau, who left the cap-sized canoe on March 17, 1978 around 10:30 a.m. on a surfboard to go for help, has not been found.

**CONCLUSIONS: HOKULE'A:** Hokule'a was reasonably seaworthy for this voyage except for the watertight integrity of her weather decks. The major problem was the faulty-constructed hatch covers which provided entry into and out of the bulkhead compartments. They were not watertight. Several reasons were cited: 1) the rubberized gaskets had been removed; 2) the shock cords were not strong enough to prevent the hatch covers from "floating" and 3) the coamings were too short. The other faulty construction was the manner in which the iakos were secured by the lashings on the manus. The present construction allowed water to get into the bulkheads.

Another problem cited was the fact that water, which had washed onboard the hull decks, was not able to flow off as quickly as it came aboard. Several reasons were cited: 1) the design of the scupper holes were inadequate; and 2) the possibility of re-designing the mo'o's, or gunwales.

A third problem was the inability to dispose of water from the flooded compartments without the necessity of opening the hatches.

Other problems include: 1) being able to drop both sails in case of emergency without the aid of a pole climber; and 2) improper design and safety of the canvas spray shield.

**LOADING OF VESSEL:** Specific guidelines should be adopted regarding:

- a. the maximum amount of allowable weight.
- b. placement of equipment and stores following a specific storage plan.
- c. method of weighing the stores.

**EQUIPMENT:** Safety equipment should be secured; a Master List of all equipment is needed.

**PERSONNEL:** Officers were competent. As for the Crew: the Crewmen were relatively inexperienced. More training is required. In addition, specific procedures dealing with casualty and emergencies should be set and practiced.

**DEPARTURE:** There are several factors which the Captain should consider before determining the time for departure. Some of these factors include:

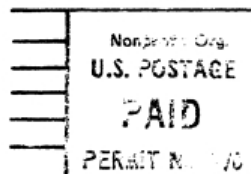
- a. weather conditions.
- b. the availability of daylight.
- c. seaworthiness of vessel which can be determined by a last minute, but complete check of the canoe and its equipment.
- d. physical condition of crew members at the time of departure.
- e. no last minute major preparations to be made within the 24 hours preceeding the departure time.

It is certain that we will be heeding the recommendations contained in both Board of Inquiry reports, and making the necessary alterations to Hokule'a accordingly. Some have already been completed, and others are in the process of being completed.

The May 1978 newsletter will present in more detail what is being done to repair Hokule'a. Also, we will introduce the courageous crewmembers of Hokule'a Elua to you, complete with photographs. You will also get the USCG report from us when it is issued. Due to our limited financial resources, the May 1978 and succeeding newsletters can only be sent to active, current PVS members. We need your Kokua! Thanks alot!

Our new PVS Secretary, MARLENE AMONG, will answer your calls at 841-3966

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## THE PVS BOARD OF DIRECTORS DECIDES HOKULE'A'S FUTURE

Thank you all for your understanding and support during this period of regrouping and decision-making. We held off sending this newsletter to you until the completion of our Board of Inquiry Report, and until the Board of Directors meeting on 5-4-78 to decide Hokule'a's future.

We all know that Hokule'a will definitely resume her voyage to Tahiti to continue the learning processes already initiated. However, we have decided that Hokule'a will not sail to Tahiti in 1978. The reasons are:

1) The U. S. Coast Guard Report on the incident has not yet been received. It is in Washington, D. C., awaiting approval pending release. When we do receive it, we will need time to implement USCG recommendations concerning minor alterations to Hokule'a to increase her seaworthiness and safety--simply said, we do not want to 'rush things.'

2) Weather factors: Leaving in June or July, heading southward, would not be advantageous with the slackening of winds. Also, possible adverse weather conditions South of the Equator during the summer were considered.

3) Non-instrumental Navigation factors: June or July would not be good months for a southward voyage based on navigation-by-the-stars.

4) Financial factors: We do not currently have the necessary finances to adequately alter Hokule'a, repair her, provision her, install communication equipment, and provide for further Crew Training. The 1978 Legislature has passed a generous appropriation on our behalf for such purposes, but it is possible that the monies would not be available until the next fiscal year (July 1978), and it may not be enough to do a thorough job of adequately readying Hokule'a for another long-distance voyage back to Tahiti so soon.

5) We do not want to leave for Tahiti this year, out of respect for Eddie Aikau and his family.

Polynesian Voyaging Society Board of Inquiry Report

This is the report of (1) Mr. Robert M. Rothwell, marine lawyer, and (2) Mr. Alex G. Jakubenko, noted shipwright. The third member, a USCG representative, wrote a separate report which is now in Washington, D. C., awaiting approval. The PVS Board of Inquiry Report follows:

**BACKGROUND FACTS:** Hokule'a, a double-hulled canoe sailing vessel, whose home port is Honolulu and owned by the Polynesian Voyaging Society, departed on March 16, 1978 on her first leg, of a scheduled trip from Hawaii to Tahiti. Captain David Lyman had a crew of fifteen (15) officers and crewmen: Leon P. Sterling (1st mate), Norman Pihanaia (instrumental navigator), Nainoa Thompson (non-instrumental navigator), Charman Akina (medical officer), Abraham "Snake" Ah Hee, Eddie Aikau, Wedemeyer Au, Bruce Blankenfeld, Kikila Hugbo, Sam Ka'ai, John Kruse, Marion Lyman, "Buddy" McGuire, Curt Sumida, and Tava Taupu.

Hokule'a left Magic Island, Honolulu, Hawaii, on March 16, just about sundown. Winds were estimated between 25 and 35 knots. Captain Lyman was in charge of the first watch from 8:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight, while 1st mate Sterling was in charge of the second watch which was to take over at midnight and go to 4:00 a.m. (March 17, 1978). Between 10:30 p.m. and midnight, Hokule'a began taking on water in several starboard compartments, mainly #6 and #7 (#7 being the worst). The rest of the compartments, all of those on the port side and starboard's #1, #2, #3, #4, and #5 took in relatively little water. However, the amount of water which had filled into the starboard compartments, caused considerable "drag" in Hokule'a's sailing performance. As a result of her impaired performance, together with the angle and size of the wave swells as well as the direction of the wind, Hokule'a capsized about midnight on March 16, 1978.

You are invited to join the POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY, a non-profit community group open to everyone. Donations and membership fees are tax deductible.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ho'okele wa'a (navigator)              | \$100  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kahuna Kālai wa'a (master canoe maker) | \$250  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Makua meā lokomaika'i (benefactor)     | \$1000 |

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Dear Marlene,

When you talked about Steve's promptness(handing in his article on the designated date--June 15) I took the message from there.

I imagine you'd like to get the newsletter out by June, or early July. Here's the article you requested. I didn't want to slow up production so I wrote the article immediately.

If you need help with proof reading or writing, please don't hesitate to call. I can work things in with my schedule that runs daily for 4 weeks. My classes(lectures) start at 8:00--12:00 at the UH/BSC. The activities they offer are optional and they run from 1:30--3:30. I only attended three activities. I went to the Kwan Yin Temple and listened to a talk about Confucianism/Taoism. I also went to a lecture/demonstration on Ai-ki-do. I thoroughly enjoyed the lecture at Foster Gardens about the plants that were brought from Asia to Hawai'i, and their significance to the Asian cultures. My 2 professors are excellent. One is exceptionally dynamic and full of wisdom. ~~Hope some rubs off on me.~~

One week has passed since I began my studies and I'm very pleased with the soothing effects it has had upon me. I felt the need to take stock of, and replenish my total being. Of course this kind of reflecting is necessary and continual, in ones life...for this mortal at least.

Thank you very much for your daily services to the PVS. I am truly grateful for this.

Love,  
Cecilia

P.S. Marlene if you get to see Tony will you please tell him to give Allen a call or perhaps have him relay the message to you so that you can inform Allen about the status of the benefit.

Thankx

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## SOCIETY NEWS

### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

With blessings of a prayer and the sprinkling of Hawaiian salt, HOKULE'A reentered the water at Keehi Drydock on July 12, 1978, with her hulls freshly painted and upper deck oiled.

After she was motored to Pier 11 under the direction of Wallace Froiseth, Canoe Committee Chairperson, and Leon Paoa Sterling, Vessel Supervisor, the double-hulled canoe will remain at Pier 12 until additional finances are received to completely refurbish her for ocean voyages.

Although HOKULE'A will not make a Tahiti trip this year, Polynesian Voyaging Society is planning such a trip in the future under the direction of Dr. Benjamin Young. He will establish the appropriate time of sailing only after the following criteria are met:

1. HOKULE'A be completely refurbished
2. HOKULE'A comply with all Coast Guard safety requirements and regulations
3. Her crew given complete training on Polynesian voyaging

I would like to welcome aboard our newly hired seapersons - Abel W. John, Michael Keola Jones and Anthony Nali'ielua. They will begin extensive classes in water-safety, instrument navigation, Hawaiian history and Hawaiian terminology. These classes begin on August 21, 1978, under the direction of Leon Sterling.

From our Education Committee, I would also like to welcome aboard, Willene Wailani Bell, Education Coordinator. I am happy to announce that the Education Committee is in the final stages of drafting Na Huaka'i or The Voyaging Works. It will include background material on navigation, foods and plants, animals, constellations, currents, winds, chants, genealogy and all aspects of Polynesian voyaging. The materials will be especially targeted for upper elementary, intermediate and high school audiences and instructors of Polynesian culture.

It is gratifying to see the new stability in the Polynesian Voyaging Society, afforded by our new staff members. They have added new strength and direction to our ohana.

We thank you, our members for your continued support and pleased to relate to you our growth in these past few months. With your continued support we can help HOKULE'A to accomplish her goals.

Owau me ka 'oiā'io,

*Michael A. Tongg*  
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PRESIDENT  
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

## MEET THE CREW

by Jerry Muller

Despite the abrupt ending of HOKULE'A Elua's voyage to Tahiti, we at PVS are grateful for their continued support and involvement in HOKULE'A. Their dedication to the ideals of HOKULE'A helped everyone through the trying times immediately following her capsizing. As the officers were introduced to you in prior issues, we would like to familiarize you with the rest of the crew:

EDDIE AIKAU will always be a part of HOKULE'A. Though physically gone, Eddie will always be sailing on HOKULE'A wherever she goes. We would like to thank the Aikau family for their continued support of HOKULE'A. The forthcoming publication from PVS, Na Hana Huaka'i (The Voyaging Works) is gratefully dedicated to Eddie.

ABRAHAM "SNAKE" AH HEE, from Lahaina, also sailed on the 1976 Tahiti-Hawaii voyage. Snake is a construction worker and former Lifeguard in Kaanapali.

WEDEMAYER AU, a construction worker in Hilo, grew up in Kaaawa. Wedemeyer has crewed on various HOKULE'A interisland sails.

BRUCE BLANKEFELD, of Niu Valley, is a fisherman and student. He is a senior paddler for Hui Nalu Canoe Club, as is Nainoa Thompson.

KIKILA HUGO, a trucker, is also a cinematographer who was to have filmed the voyage. Kiki also paints, paddles, and is an accomplished musician.

SAM KA'AI, of Honokahau Valley in Maui, is a master craftsman with a shop, Ka Honu, in Kaanapali. Sam has carved the ki'is for both the 1976 and 1978 voyages, and prepared the Awa ceremonies.

JOHN KRUSE, of Honolulu, grew up on the Big Island. He gave up a professional carpentry career to help HOKULE'A. He also sailed on the historic 1976 Hawai'i - Tahiti voyage and may interisland sails.

MARION LYMAN, of Honolulu, is the Outdoor Education Director at Camp Mokuleia. She previously served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Palau (Micronesia). Marion has worked on HOKULE'A since she was originally planned and built.

MICHAEL "BUDDY" McGUIRE has always been interested in water sports in Hawai'i. Buddy works as a labor relations advisor for the Hawaii Employers Council. Both he and his wife Pua are long time canoe paddlers.

CURT KAHIWAKALANI SUMIDA, of Lanikai, is a commercial fisherman and, carpenter. He has always been close to the ocean; his skills also include being a canoe paddler and coach.

TEIKIHEPO "TAVA" TAUPU hails from Taiohae village on Nuku Hiva in the Marquesas Islands. For the past seven years, Tava has worked at the Kona Village Resort.

Alternates for HOKULE'A Elua were Steve Somsen, Maka'ala Yates, and Chad Baybayan.

Though the official U. S. Coast Guard Report has yet to be released, the completed modifications on HOKULE'A should meet all requirements for future voyages. The main repair work has been completed under the guidance of Leon Paoa Sterling, and HOKULE'A may be sailing again in a few months. She can now be viewed, sitting high in the water, at Pier 12, Honolulu Harbor.

## THE NEW ALU LIKE POSITIONS

Through the courtesy of Alu Like and CETA, your PVS has brought on board an administrative secretary, education coordinator, vessel supervisor, vessel navigator, and three seamen. These eight positions were created this summer through CETA funding, with the possibility of running through the next fiscal year.

First to be selected was executive administrative secretary, Marlene Among. Marlene previously worked for Hawaiian Airlines as an administrative assistant. She has lived in Raiatea, San Francisco, and traveled extensively throughout Europe and Asia. She is a sailor in her own right, being the proud owner of a 14 foot Hobie Cat which she sails in Kaneohe Bay. Marlene also is an accomplished dancer, entertaining

part-time for the Alan and Julie Grier show. She is excited about her PVS position and finds it challenging to be able to organize and set up the PVS office so that all society members may utilize it as a resource center where unified and comprehensive data on Polynesian voyaging can be located.

Willene Wailani Bell was brought on board in June as PVS education coordinator. Wailani has her fifth year Professional Teaching Certificate in Elementary Education, and has been a substitute teacher with the Department of Education and a sales manager for World Book/Childcraft. Wailani has spent twenty years modeling and dancing at home and abroad, and, like Marlene, still dances part time. She is also excited about her new position and feels that PVS is a catalyst in keeping the traditions of Polynesian culture alive through HOKULE'A, opening new avenues of expression in Hawaiian Studies. She will be instrumental in the dissemination of educational programs in research, education, and experimental canoe voyaging.

Leon Paao Sterling, Vessel Supervisor, was First Mate on HOKULE'A second Tahiti voyage this year. He is in charge of refurbishing HOKULE'A, readying her for future sails, and crew training. Leon also instructs the crew on Polynesian voyaging skills and canoe building techniques.

Nainoa Thompson serves as Vessel Navigator. He has sailed extensively on HOKULE'A being on the 1976 Tahiti-Hawai'i return crew, and on this year's voyage crew. Nainoa spends much time at the Bishop Museum with Professor Will Kyselka, lecturer at the Planetarium, studying the stars.

The three seamen on board are Abel John, Michael Jones, and Anthony Nali'ielua.

Abel John has had previous training in carpentry and plumbing. Abel loves to fish and enjoys learning about Hawaiian arts and crafts. He has also done extensive studies in native plants throughout the islands.

Michael Keola Jones is an active long distance paddler for Hui Nalu Canoe Club. He has won IIA and AAU honors for the University of Hawaii swim teams, and served as a crewmember in the Blue Water Lab aboard the research vessel MACHIAS. His duties included courses in seamanship, marine biology and technology, lifesaving, SCUBA, and instructing others in such research. Keola has previously sailed on the Mo'olele canoe.

Anthony Nali'ielua paddles for Kahana Bay Canoe Club. He has experience in paddling, steering, casting, fishing, diving, and preparing seafood. He hopes to eventually be a commercial seaman.

Polynesian Voyaging Society welcomes the new staff members aboard! Marlene and Wailani invite all PVS members to visit the office and utilize its facilities.

### CHILDREN'S BOOKS ON POLYNESIAN VOYAGING

by Wailani Bell

As we browse through the reading materials available on the market today, we can't help but get excited with some of the books that are being offered. Authors of children's books are introducing new avenues of expression in writing about the lifestyles and environments of children everywhere. No longer are children limited in their choice of reading materials. Rather, they are exposed to a wealth of enrichment. . . books with meaningful stories. . . pictures and illustrations they identify with. Reading becomes an exciting adventure, enhancing the learning experience rather than a sterile academic exercise.

Here in Hawaii, there is a new upsurge of pride and interest in our cultural heritage. There is an impetus with the younger generation to look back at their origins, searching for a connection between themselves and their ancestors. In rediscovering their roots they are becoming more in touch with themselves. Island educators are developing educational materials built around the relevant interest of our island audiences.

A series of four books were written. The first three books, THE VISION OF MO'IKEHA, A CANOE FOR UNCLE KILA, and THE VOYAGE TO TAHITI sends the reader on a journey through the Polynesian's cultural past. It is based on the oral traditions and genealogy according to tradition of High Chief Mo'ikeha and his family, who migrated from Tahiti to Hawaii. The stories give account of this family. The fourth book is about the HOKULE'A, bringing the reader up to date. The Polynesian Voyaging Society builds Hokule'a and prepares for the 1976 voyage to Tahiti, leaving the reader with a feeling and commitment for the future. The reader is intrigued into thinking how he might feel journeying on the immense Pacific Ocean, the largest and deepest body of water covering more than a third of

of the surface of the world, relying only on the winds, the stars, and the ocean currents for his direction.

The spirit of Aloha, the knowledge and skills of the Polynesians, their courage and faith, their understanding and respect for their environment are woven into the adventures of the children in these books. They have a direct and immediate appeal to our Island youngsters because they build upon the known "mele" of our cultural heritage and provide cultural information at a child's level of understanding.

These books made delightful gifts and compliment the family bookshelves. They also make a valuable addition to a student's reading list. They are highly recommended by the State Library RUSH list and the Hawaii School Library Services.

A CURRICULUM GUIDE ON POLYNESIAN VOYAGING is a resource and supplement to accompany the series of books. It is an excellent classroom guide to aid teachers in using the four books in the classroom. It contains a wealth of information on Polynesian voyaging and early Polynesian culture. These books can be used as learning tools in Hawaiian history, culture, customs, legend, mythology, religion, music, mathematics and astronomy, canoe building and sailing, non-instrumental navigation, preparation of food and provision, survival on the ocean, geography, and exploration, migration and settlement patterns.

They are offered at a low cost by the Polynesian Voyaging Society and may be either purchased through the mail or picked up at the PVS to save on postage costs. All monies generated from the sales of these books will go into a revolving fund to promote further educational projects of the society as they are dedicated to research and education in the area of Polynesian sea voyaging.

# **HOKULE'A NEEDS YOU JOIN THE POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY**

Join this non-profit community group and be a supporter of HOKULE'A. Donations and membership fees are tax deductible. Open to everyone Hawaiian at heart.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Hoe wa'a (paddler) student	\$2	NAME	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Hoe wa'a (paddler) adult	\$10	ADDRESS	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Holokahiki (sailer)	\$15	STATE	ZIP
<input type="checkbox"/> Kālei wa'a (canoe maker)	\$25	CATEGORY	AMT. ENCLOSED
<input type="checkbox"/> Uhi (steersman)	\$50		<input type="checkbox"/> YES
<input type="checkbox"/> Ho'okele wa'a (navigator)	\$100	OCCUPATION	VOLUNTEER <input type="checkbox"/> NO
<input type="checkbox"/> Kahuna Kālei wa'a (master canoe maker)	\$250	SPECIAL SKILLS	PHONE
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