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Aloha mai kākou,

As the sun sets on a year of significant achievement, and the dawn rises on a new era of opportunity, the Polynesian Voyaging Society reflects on our journey to perpetuate our voyaging values of caring for each other, our home, our heritage and future generations. We humbly and gratefully remember:

- Mentors who possessed the vision to reinstitute long abandoned practices and rebuild traditional knowledge systems;
- Wayfinders who charted our sail plans and kept us on course;
- Crewmembers who possessed the courage to venture beyond the horizon; and
- Friends and supporters whose resources enabled our learning and sharing with some 15,000 individuals – since April 2008 – who have participated in canoe tours, sails, presentations, crew training and canoe maintenance.

In 1976, Mau Piailug navigated *Hōkūle'a's* inaugural voyage, showing us how to raise the islands of Tahiti and helping us rediscover a part of our cultural identity. In 1980, with Papa Mau's counsel and Pinky Thompson's unifying leadership, we learned how to find Tahiti ourselves, strengthening our values and clarifying our mission. Now, in a millennium imperiled by increasing ecological and social uncertainty, we have launched a World Wide Voyage (WWV) that will ultimately take us 41,000 miles over 51 months so that we might connect our efforts to Mālama Hawai'i with others around the world who recognize that the ecosystems of island Earth link all of our fates.

The vision for the WWV emerged in 2007 as a shared dream of Pinky Thompson and kama'āina astronaut Lacy Veach (see <http://pvs.hawaii.org>), and is set forth in a Strategic Plan adopted by the PVS Board of Directors in 2010. During the past two years, we launched our ambitious journey through extensive crew training (sailing approximately 16,000 miles since April 2008) and *Hōkūle'a's* first major dry dock in 13 years. In the months ahead, there will be more crew training, a statewide sail, curriculum development, educational outreach and efforts to build the alliances and foundation of resources needed to sustain our endeavors and lofty aspirations.

In 2013, we will set sail on the first leg of the WWV, and upon *Hōkūle'a's* return in 2017, we will resume statewide sails and incorporate knowledge gained from the experience into an eco-cultural education sail plan that will utilize our canoes to enrich education in Hawai'i and transform the well-being of communities.

We invite you to join us on this journey as a member of our non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization by making a tax-deductible donation of any amount. Donors will receive a membership decal, and – based on the level of your contribution – you may also receive a 2011 calendar featuring twelve photographs of crew training experiences taken by crew members, and a brown, short-sleeved T-shirt with a white print of an original drawing by WWV Kaua'i crew member, Keala Kai. We also are offering the option of gift memberships.

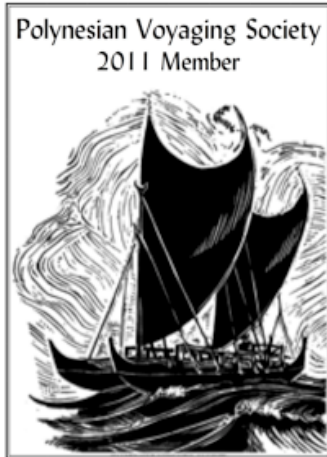
Mahalo for your consideration and continued interest in PVS. We are setting off, together, on a journey that will change all of us in ways that we cannot anticipate. We sail forth based on our vision and values, and we are grateful to have you on board with us.

Me ke ha'aha'a,

Nainoa Thompson  
Chairman, Polynesian Voyaging Society

### E-Membership Preference

\_\_\_\_ Please check here to become an E-Member, only receiving written materials from PVS via your e-mail address. (This option will help our environment and conserve our financial resources for direct support of voyaging, education, and environmental protection activities.)



For \$25 or more, you or your gift recipient will receive a **2011 PVS Membership decal**. (Decal, left.)

For \$50 or more, you will also receive a **12-photo, 2011 PVS wall calendar**, including photos by crew members and students who entered a contest to have their photos published by PVS. (Sample photo, below right.)

For \$75 or more, you will also receive a **PVS Membership T-shirt**, featuring an original drawing by crew member Keala Kai. (Image, below.)



**Gift PVS memberships** are also available, with all of the same options as above and below. If ordering a Gift Membership, please include the full name, mailing address and e-mail address of the recipient in your request. We will send the tax-deductible receipt to you for your 2011 records, and the membership information and gifts to your recipient.

If you wish to make **multiple donations**, for yourself and others, please make copies of the following document for each membership/donation, submit them together, and provide a single, total payment via check or credit card.

**Please select one of our levels of donation/membership:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> up to \$25      | Hoaloha (Friend)                |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$25-\$49       | ‘Ohana (Family)                 |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50-\$99       | Holokahiki (Sailor)             | <b>If you qualify for a shirt (\$75 or more), please check size:</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$100-\$249     | ‘Uli (Steerperson)              | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>S</b>                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$250-\$499     | Kalai wa‘a (Canoe Maker)        | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>M</b>                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$500-\$999     | Ho‘okele Wa‘a (Navigator)       | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>L</b>                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000-\$4,999 | Kilo Hoku (Astronomer)          | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>XL</b>                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000-\$9,999 | Ali‘i Holomana (Voyaging Chief) | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>XXL</b>                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 +      | Ali‘i Nui (Servant Leader)      |  |

**Please recognize my donation/membership as an anonymous gift in the PVS newsletter.**

**Necessary Membership/Donor information:**

Mr.  Mrs.  Ms.  Dr.   
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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
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*Membership Expires one year from date of application.*

**Check ONE of the three Methods of Donation Below:**

- 1. Google Checkout:** I have made a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ via Google Checkout.
- 2. Check:** I have enclosed a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (payable to Polynesian Voyaging Society)
- 3. Credit Card:** Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my  Visa  MasterCard  American Express  
Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code\*: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Security code numbers are used by your credit card company to help prevent fraud. Visa and MasterCard codes are the last 3-digit numbers on the back of the signature box. American Express codes are 4-digit numbers above the credit card number on the front of the card.

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

Please see our website for more information about our organization: <http://pvs.hawaii.org>. Also, please visit the regularly updated WWV website: <http://www.hokuleawwv.org/>. Mahalo to our webmasters and information providers for their generous donations of skills, resources and time.