Week 6 Reading Assignments and Discussion Questions

I realize it seems like a lot of reading, but there's really only one long reading and 2 short (newspaper clippings) for each lecture. ©

Reading Assignment:

Caviedes, C. N. (2001) *El Niño in history: Storming Through the Ages*, University Press of Florida, Gainsville: 279 pp.

Read pgs. 234-249 (start with West Winds Sweep Polynesians towards New Lands)

Kuapu'u, S. K. (1902) Home Rula Repubalik, 15 March 1902, pg.1. (*Hawaiian Newspaper Clipping)

• Read English Version

Ka Nupepa Kuokoa. 18 December 1869, pg. 3. (*Hawaiian Newspaper Clipping)

• Read English Version

Finney, B. R. (1994) *Voyage of Rediscovery: A Cultural Odyssey through Polynesia*, University of California Press, Berkeley: pp. 401.

• Read pgs. 125-162

Poliwela, D. W. (1862) "Na Makani", Ka Hoku o ka Pakipika, 1 May. (*Hawaiian Newspaper Clipping)

Read English Version

Discussion Questions for Week 6

Caviedes

• Why was the discovery of Easter Island (Rapa Nui) extraordinary? Why didn't the Polynesians continue to South America?

Kuapu'u

Who do you think Pāka'a is? What about La'amaomao? And Kūapāka'a?

Ka <u>Nupepa Kuokoa</u>

What location is known for strong winds? Calm winds?

Finney

• What difficulties with regards to winds did the Polynesian settlers face when colonizing the Pacific Islands?

<u>Poliwela</u>

• At the end of the letter Poliwela mentions that the tales of the wind gourd of La'amaomao should draw to a close, why?