

KICY Call Letter

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Manager's Mic

The first day of spring came and went, little noticed by us in Arctic Alaska. The sun may have crossed the equator, but temperatures barely budged closer to the zero mark. We are all hopeful that temperatures will become more

'springlike' by Mother's Day.

This first quarter of 2012 has been extremely busy and extremely cold...the



Dennis Weidler

coldest on record.

In basketball, the Nome Boys finished third in the state in the 3A division. Dallas Seavey won Iditarod 40. And, Lon, Ian and I travelled to Unalakleet for the ECCAK Annual Conference.

Just a few weeks before the conference, we flew to Unalakleet and installed a new sound system for the church. They really wanted to upgrade their system in time for the conference. Ian, Lon and I were able to remove the old and install a new system, including audio to an anteroom off the main sanctuary and to the basement, as well. I can attest that it all worked well for the conference.

Now, Stephen is gearing up for the Lutheran Conference in the village of Brevig Mission. We will record and broadcast all of their evening services, as well. ■



The Covenant High Alumni Choir performs.

ECCAK 2012 Held In Unalakleet.

March 21st through the 25th marked the dates of this year's Statewide Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church of Alaska. There were 5 days of singing, worship, testimonies and sharing the Word.

This event also marked the 125th Anniversary of the church in Unalakleet. Axel Karlson's monument still stands in the cemetery near the airport. As a Swedish Covenant missionary, he had made plans to minister in the Russian Far East, but was turned away. He sailed to Saint Michael and ended up in nearby Unalakleet, the epicenter of the Covenant Church in Alaska.

Guest speakers included our newly appointed Field Director, Curtis Ivanoff (from Unalakleet), former

Field Director, Paul Wilson (now serving in Oakland, California, and Covenant President, Gary Walter.

Another highlight was the performance of the Covenant High Alumni Choir, under the direction of Bill Oudal.

KICY was able to record and broadcast live, each of the 4 evening worship services.

Due to the large numbers attending this year's conference, worship services were moved from the church to the Unalakleet School Gymnasium.

It was a great time of renewal, refreshment and getting reacquainted with pastors, delegates and lay leaders from across this vast state. ■

52nd Anniversary Fundraising Opportunity.

It is so hard to believe that our 50th Anniversary Dinner was just two years ago here in Nome. There was so much planning and coordination and then, not unlike a wedding, the celebration was behind us. And, not unlike a successful wedding event, the real challenge of looking at the future began in earnest.

With this winter's staggeringly high heating oil costs, this seemed like the right time to ask for your help. We are slowly coming off the coldest winter on record. That, teamed with the highest costs ever to keep things warm, and you have 'the perfect storm' of financial challenges. Our average monthly cost for heating oil in January and February was over \$6,000.

Currently, over 9,000 Call

Letters are sent out 6 times a year. I am requesting that each of you who receive our mailing...all 9,000 of you...consider a one-time donation of \$52 to rebuilding our resources.



If you have never partnered with us financially, this would be the time.

As we mentioned in the last Call Letter, the December blizzard caused a lot of damage spread over a lot of little areas. You think of fuses (we lost 8 in the transmitter) and you think of a small expense. In radio, those little fuses cost nearly \$20 each, plus shipping from Ohio.

Our AM audio stream computer suffered the routine loss of the power supply. To return things to normal cost nearly \$700 and that was with a new, low cost alternative. We are doing what we can with what you provide. With God's grace we will continue to share His Word. ■

A Prayer Request. For each of our staff members.

George Bard

Ian Coglan

Luda Kinok

Louis Murphy

Stephen Palmatier

Lon Swanson

Rolland Trowbridge

Candace Weidler

Dennis Weidler

Frances Whitmore

Our Listeners Share:

My name is Oleg Novoselov. I work as English teacher at the Municipal School. I decided to give lessons about your organization and its activity to my students. I will be very thankful if you send some information and souvenirs such as flags, pens, magnets etc. with symbols of the organization. In that case I can present them to our students during school activity and I hope it will motivate them to learn more carefully. I wish you good health and success in your work. Look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.

Oleg Novoselov
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Summer promises only one volunteer work team this year. So far, only the Tucson Team will be able to travel to Nome to support KICY. That will be from June 9th through the 23rd.

Towers For Jesus will spend a few days here, plumbing and tensioning (making sure they are straight and secure) all three broadcast towers at the AM site.

Let us know if 2013 would work for your summer team. There is always much to do and the summers are very short. ■

Togiak Listener Offers Birthday Greetings.

Every morning about 7:30, we get a call at the KICY studios. In fact, if we *don't* get a call we begin to wonder if Jimmy G. Arkanakyak is ill or perhaps traveling.

It turns out that Jimmy spent years on KDLG, the public station in Dillingham, presenting a program dedicated to sharing birthday and anniversary greetings with



listeners in the area. His program was a 20 year tradition in the region.

Today, Jimmy has retired from KDLG and relocated to Togiak, not too far from Dillingham. He is delighted that now he is able to hear KICY AM-850. Togiak is a small village on Bristol Bay, just

about 60 miles west of Dillingham. Specifically, Togiak is on Togiak Bay, but that's part of the larger Bristol Bay.

Every morning when the phone rings near 7:30, Stephen Palmatier comes running to the front desk saying, "I'll bet that's Jimmy!" He is not usually disappointed.

Jimmy shares the birthdays and anniversaries just as he has done for

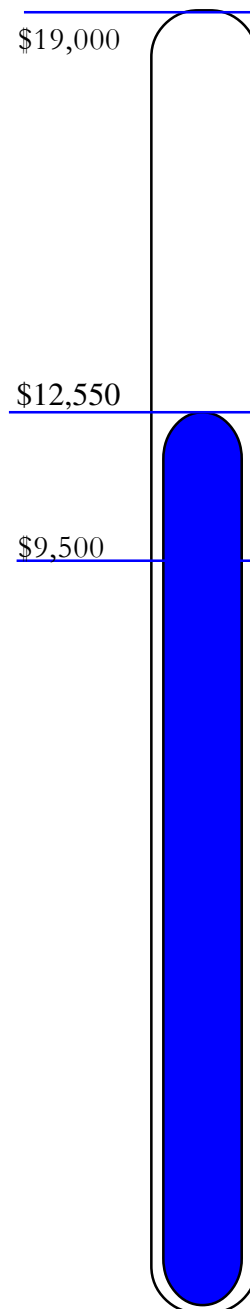
decades, but this time it is for KICY's Ptarmigan Telegraph messages.

We are delighted that Jimmy can continue to share birthday and anniversary greetings with his friends and our listeners over 425 miles away. ■

Can You Help?

This summer, we need the financial resources to repair the storm damaged roof of the phasor building. We also need to re-roof the studio building and repair the plumbing connections to the Yellow House.

If you are able to assist financially, mark Capital Campaign on your check. And God bless you for keeping KICY's needs in your prayers.



Memorials

In February and March, we received memorials in the name of:

- Tom & Annie Dotomain
- Edward Lattimore, Jr.
- Kermit Lund
- Polly Hunter
- Agnes Komakhuk
- Clarise Smith
- Bernice Reynolds

Thank you for remembering a loved one with your gift.

PLEASE NOTE!

- March Income-
\$27,364.73
- March Budget-
\$30,535.00
- March Expenses-
\$23,901.71

Includes Sales & Programs but not designated funds.



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Dallas Seavey Wins Iditarod 40.

There were four Seaveys on 4th Avenue in Anchorage for the start of Iditarod 40 on that first Saturday in March. Conway Seavey had won the Junior Iditarod a few weeks earlier, so he wore Bib #1 and was the first over the ceremonial starting line. Behind him were three generations of Seaveys. His brother, Dallas, his father Mitch and grandfather Dan. The Seaveys have established a mushing dynasty. Mixed with the Seaveys were 63 other mushers, all hoping to be first across the finish line in Nome.

Former KICY Volunteer and Arctic Broadcasting

Board member, Patty Burchell filed daily background reports we used on the air. Former KICY Volunteer and founder of the

Iditablog, Josh Rogers also provided audio content from daily e-mails sent from his blog. He surprised us all when he showed up in Nome a few days after the finish.

Steve Palmatier and Ian Coglan handled the play-by-play duties from the scaffolding high above the Iditarod arch. Lon tracked the mushers into town from Farley's Camp in Mobile One, also known as the KICY van.

It was another fun Iditarod and the Covenant Church was filled to capacity on musher's Sunday. All in all it was a great team effort. ■



Stephen and Ian at the finish line.