# KICY Call Letter

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### Manager's Mic

Winter storms. Frigid temperatures. Finding someone to reliably plow snow for five properties. This is winter in the arctic. I am happy to report our station was unaffected by the recent storms. High winds and ice coated power lines don't often bode well for us.



But this season, we came through the turmoil unscathed. Praise God! Now, we are

able to shift

Dennis Weidler

focus to non-stop basketball and the anticipation of yet another Iditarod.

One of our local amateur radio clubs just conducted a testing session for a new 'ham'. I was able to help out as a registered VE or volunteer examiner. Yes. He passed.

Our local Rotary Club, of which I have been a member for 17 years, is organizing the Christmas Tree recycling program to build another Nome National Forest in time for Iditarod. The trees are 'planted' in the ice and become quite the tourist attraction.

It's the time of year of much coffee drinking and time spent indoors. But we still manage to get out every single day so our Siberian Husky named Kat (short for Katmai) can get her much needed walkies. I'm not sure who benefits most.

# It's Hoops Time!



Josie Stiles broadcasting from the Den of the Mighty Nanooks.

Whether watching or playing, basketball is huge in Western Alaska. For many years KICY has been serving our community by broadcasting the high school basketball games, both home and away, and this year is no different.

Local volunteer Josie Stiles provides the play-by-play for the Nome home games. She knows the players and the game well, and often goes above and beyond by arranging post-game interviews with the coaches. She is also a stickler for the correct pronunciation of the players' names, which family and friends appreciate. In fact, during a recent tournament played in Nome, we received an email message from a person in the community of Delta, presumably listening on-line. He offered his congratulations and appreciation, writing, "Great job with the names and great play by play."

Once the state tournaments begin, we will also broadcast many of the games in which the village high schools participate. For many, these broadcasts are a way for families to stay connected between communities. Prayer for safe travel to and from games is often requested through our CareForce program as distances between villages are great and travel is typically by air. Other listeners use our Ptarmigan Telegraph message program to send good luck messages to competing teams.

Although basketball may seem to be an unusual ministry tool, it is indeed one more way KICY is able to serve the people of western Alaska, and in so doing, shine the Light of Christ into the dark days of winter.

# Grant Awarded for Tower Repairs.

We received word in December

that our request for a grant had been approved!

This most recent ap-

proval is the fourth request we have made which has been granted by the Trust. In the past we received awards for the FM Upgrade and Tower replacement project, the AM phasor project, the Triplex construction and now for the AM Tower Repair Project.

We are in line to receive a gift totalling \$100,000 for the project which is approximately half of the needed resources to complete the repairs.

KICY was awarded \$35,000 outright. The remaining \$65,000 is a matching grant and subject to our

> raising \$65,000 from the start date of November 19th of 2016 until we have reached our

goal.

As you can see on the fundraising thermometer on Page three, we are still approximately \$45,000 short of our goal. Year-end giving and two bequests provided over \$21,000 toward our goal.

Please join us in thanking the Murdock Charitable Trust and praying that we will be able to match their generous gift.

### From The Virtual E-mail Bag.

Good afternoon. Every morning when I wake up, I listen to your radio. It gives me energy and good mood for the whole day. Now I cannot imagine my normal day without your radio. My whole family also listens to your radio. With thanks and best wishes your regular listener. Happy New year and merry Christmas!

Julia A. Fufkova Sovetov st.,4 Spirovo Russia 171170

Really blessed by your radio station. Keep up the good work. May the Lord bless you richly seeing great fruit and harvest from your faithful sowing.

Please bless our Christmas Carol Service. We are a small village called Winterbourne in Berkshire, England.

We encountered you through Radio.garden

Much Love, Edward and Katharine Amies A Prayer Request. For each of our staff members.

> George Bard Patty Burchell Ian Coglan Bertha Koweluk Luda Kinok Lon Swanson Candace Weidler Dennis Weidler

Spring brings Church Conferences to the region. The Lutheran Spring Conference will be held April 6th through the 9th in Nome.

The Annual Covenant Church Conference will be hosted by Community Covenant Church in Eagle River April 27th through the 29.

KICY will be on-site and broadcast as many of the evening services from both of these conferences as time and personnel allow. This will give people who can't attend in person the opportunity to be part of the event.

Pray that these meetings would be times of refreshment, building relationships, and revival as attendees conduct the business of these churches.



## Come Join Us For Wild Alaska Salmon.

L's time again to share the idea of your church hosting a KICY wild Alaska Salmon Fundraising Dinner. Be sure to keep checking the KICY website for the most up-to-date information. There is a dinner scheduled for late September in Kalamazoo, Michigan so now's the time to start planning for your salmon 'chanted evening.

If your church would like to host a free salmon dinner, give us a call or send an e-mail to office@kicy.org. We love to ship in wild caught Alaska salmon from Nome, cook it up, serve it and share the vision of KICY in a brief PowerPoint presentation.

We try to take the pressure off your church team and do all the salmon preparation. Ask anyone who has had a KICY dinner. I think they'll all agree that they are lots of fun.



As you can see below, we have made a change to the Fall schedule. Be sure to check the KICY web site for dinner updates.

#### Fall 2017

Saturday, September 30, 2017 Kalamazoo Covenant Church Kalamazoo, Michigan

Memorials

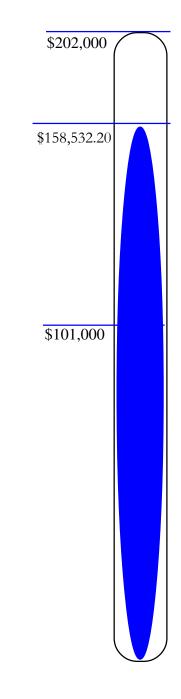
In November, December and January we received memorials in the name of:

Donald Lund Tom & Annie Dotomain Edward Lattimore, Jr. Ted Haney Jordan Rapetti Dorcas Bloom Hank Pearson Homer Hoyt Raynold & Florence Peterson Walt & Lucille Hoseck Betty Wood Marv Bjorlin Thank you for remembering a loved one with your gift.

#### PLEASE NOTE!

-January Income-\$44,523.97 -January Budget-\$53,144.67 -January Expenses-\$43,853.55 Includes Sales & Programs but not designated funds.

Arctic Broadcasting Association is an • affiliated corporation of the Evangelical Covenant Church. Can You Help? Our critical tower re-building project will hopefully bear fruit next summer between May 20th and June 30th. We tried to pick the absolute best possible weather window for the climbers to wrap this up. We have penciled-in 5 weeks, but the prayer is that they can finish much more quickly. Rain and wind are the two elements which could slow things down. Pray that all goes smoothly and everyone remains safe and well.





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# Meet the ABA Board Members.

**D**r. Nora Nagaruk grew up in the Norton Sound village of Unalakleet, listening to KICY and playing the Riddle Machine. She earned her Doctor of Medicine degree in 2002 from the University of Washington School of Medicine. She and her husband, Nathan, moved to Nome in 2007.

Nora has been a teacher of health professionals, can be found teaching the occasional college level health class for high schoolers, and is the designated doctor for the teens at the Nome Youth Facility. She has served on the Covenant Youth of Alaska Board, been a speaker at North River Bible Camp, and has most recently chaired the



Dr. Nora Nagaruk

Vitality Pathway Committee at the Nome Covenant Church.

This incredibly talented woman with an easy smile also has an artistic side. She has created displays for the church from pallets, developed interactive reminders of important information, and composed and acted in creatively humorous skits that make a point.

Ever active, Nora can be seen riding her bike or running all over town, in all seasons. And another bit of trivia, the Superintendent of our Alaska Covenant Conference, Curtis Ivanoff, is her brother.

Nora has a servant's heart and the desire to see the ministry of KICY continue its relevance to listeners of all ages. In her own words, "KICY is an important regional and international ministry that shares the message of Christ's love, hope and joy." We welcome Nora's youthful, regional perspective to the board.