

# KICY Call Letter

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## Manager's Mic

By the time this hits your mailbox, I will have already returned from two weeks of travel in the Lower 48 and the presentation of 5 Salmon Fund-raising Dinners.

We are well on our way to next summer's project, the building of a new home for our studio backup generator and installing a new generator. We also plan to re-install the original transmitter backup generator in its original home at the site.

The current studio generator is simply not of sufficient capacity to



*Dennis Weidler*

power the entire studio building which houses two broadcast studios and

three apartments.

So, our work continues to be scheduled well into the next two years. In fact, we already have work teams scheduled for the first six weeks in the summer of 2008! I can't begin to express how thankful we are that so many share the vision of our work here at KICY and are so willing to give of themselves, both financially and in sharing their gifts and talents.

The AM transmitter site is all buttoned up for the winter. We've already had a pretty good fall storm with high winds and driving rain. Everything there appears to be very stable.

Praise God for His grace! 



*Luda Kinok, seated, is joined by Terry Reynolds and Rob Elder.*

## Fine Tuning is Complete.

We were so blessed to hear that the designer of our new directional tuning system was coming to Nome! Rob Elder from Kintronics Laboratories in Tennessee began a relationship with KICY AM 850 over two years ago following the fire at our tuning house. When broadcast engineers were asked where we should call to find a replacement for what was lost, the unanimous response was, "Kintronics".

Fortunately, 5 years earlier, Lew Entz from Far East Broadcasting had documented all of the data from the original directional system installation. This was neatly and clearly compiled in a book which we were able to forward to Rob at Kintronics.

Using these valuable figures and their considerable experience, Kintronics was able to design our new tuning system consisting of a Phasor and Antenna Tuning Units which are located at the base of each of the

three towers.

Unfortunately, we were unable to secure the funding beyond the initial deposit to acquire the new system in 2006 and postponed the construction and shipping until this spring.

Many of you have been following the successful installation of the new directional system and our greatly improved signal into the Russian Far East this summer.

While the system was tuned and usable by August 23rd, the main coil in the directional portion of the phasor building was heating up and causing the nylon bolts to explode. Also, the west tower ATU needed a bit more fine tuning to allow us greater fidelity.

That brought Rob Elder to Nome and KICY. He shipped several hundred pounds of test gear, a new coil and other

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*Arctic Broadcasting President,  
Ted Haney.*

## Meet Ted Haney.

Ted was born in Seattle and grew up in Washington State. After serving in the US Navy, he attended Whitworth College in Spokane, Washington and later graduated from the University of Washington.

After a year at Princeton Seminary he went to teach electronics in the physics department of a Christian University in the Philippines, and served as chief engineer of the University radio station.

During his five years there he met and married his wife, Ruth, who was a nurse in a mission hospital.

After serving five years in the Philippines he returned to the US to do graduate studies at Stanford University where he earned three graduate degrees, two in engineering and one in communications research.

He and his wife served 13 years as missionaries in Brazil where he was the Executive Director of the Evangelical Audio/Visual Center and founder of the Evangelical Association of Christian Radio

Stations. They then spent 20 years with the Far East Broadcasting Company where Ted served as Director of Research and then Executive Director/Vice President of the mission. It was during this time that he planned and coordinated an audience research project for KICY which included more than 20 villages in Western Alaska.

He has published 17 articles and been a contributing author of three books on communications. He was a co-founder and President of the National Association of Shortwave Broadcasters headquartered in Washington, DC.

Ted currently serves as Board Chairperson and President of KICY and also Chairman of the World Radio Network, a network of 13 FM stations on the US/Mexico border, and as a consultant to the Board of Voice for Christ Ministries, which owns and operates three radio stations and 12 repeaters in Alaska.

He and his wife and four children and five grandchildren all live in Southern California. ■

### From the Mailbag:

It is wonderful to hear God's message being proclaimed from Alaska. We are listening via the web here in southwestern Ohio. Just a note to let you know we are adding your ministry to our prayer list.

-- Jack McIntosh, PhD

# *A Prayer Request.*

*For each of our staff members.*

**George Bard**

**Maj. Gary Grennon**

**Luda Kinok**

**Cathy Lyon**

**Anna Moore**

**Tim Sergie**

**Dr. Phil Schobert**

**Candace Weidler**

**Dennis Weidler**

**Frances Whitmore**

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**W**e are still looking for a full-time volunteer staff member to help answer phones, check e-mails, clear faxes and type Ptarmigan Telegraph messages and Public Service Announcements.

If you know of a potential long-term volunteer, encourage them to get in touch with KICY General Manager, Dennis Weidler. Or, they can download a volunteer application from our web site at [www.kicy.org](http://www.kicy.org). ■

# It's Time for 100% Sunday.

Make sure your church participates in our annual 100% Sunday fundraising campaign. This year, we've selected October 28th, but any date you choose before Thanksgiving would be just fine.

This is the one and only day each year when KICY asks everyone attending a Covenant Church to (1) pray for our radio mission

and (2) ask each person to contribute a single dollar.

We would also appreciate if your church's mission team would develop a bulletin board or poster to announce 100% Sunday.

We have sent letters to each Covenant Church in the U.S. and Canada asking for their support.

This is a critical time for KICY. This summer we completed a major rebuilding project to replace the burned tuning house, re-erect the Center and East towers and retune the directional system.

The amazing moment came when Luda pushed the button to resume 50,000 watt broadcasts back into her home. Within minutes, and underscored in subsequent communications, we heard how

much improved the signal had become for our Russian audience, even compared with the signal of a two years ago!

But with electricity costs doubling in that same time period, KICY needs your prayer and financial support.

Please, let's have **100% participation** in **100% Sunday!** ■

100%  
*Sunday*  
October  
28th

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components to Nome and arrived a few days later. Fortunately, most of the work was indoors as it rained nearly every day he was here.



Rob Elder in front of one of the KICY ATU's back in Tennessee.

Part of the huge shipment to Nome was a network analyzer. In a few days, Rob and Terry Reynolds had replaced a defective coil, custom-fit a few lengths of silver plated copper pipe and bypassed a portion of the phasor which brought the west tower tuning right into line.

While here, Rob and Terry helped our colleagues on the other side of town with tuning problems they were having with their antenna system, as well.

It was fascinating to watch the last few pieces of this huge puzzle being placed in their proper positions and how the slightest change on a single coil could change the tuning and directional characteristics of the entire system.

While in Nome, Terry made sure Rob had a chance to sample some of the road system around Nome and see the incredible, yet stark beauty of western Alaska and the Seward Peninsula.

Rob will be making one more trip to Nome in the middle of November to replace a 12 foot length of copper pipe. But today, we are enjoying the fruits of his last trip with increased audio fidelity and greater peace of mind. ■

## Memorials

In September, we received memorials in the name of:

Rev. Elroy & Lillian Anderson  
Lauraine Hanson  
Joseph Mitchell  
Tom Dotomain  
Adeline Rapp  
Marie Skinner  
Edward Lattimore, Jr.  
Everett Peterson  
David Krause  
Leo Thompson  
Kevin Hunt  
Levia Rock

Thank you for remembering a loved one with your gift.

## PLEASE NOTE!

-September Income-

**\$21,108.07**

-September Budget-

**\$25,145.00**

-September Expenses-

**\$31,088.64**

*Includes Sales & Programs but  
not designated funds.*



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# Familiar Names Return to KICY.

Two names from the past are now a regular part of our program schedule. Nick Bruckner and Jessica Fondell are teaming up to produce a weekly update of CYAK (Covenant Youth of Alaska) events for broadcast on both KICY AM-850 and ICY 100.3 FM.

Nick is the grandson of the late Don and Eunice Bruckner. Don is a former ECCAK Field Director and he and Eunice were very active in the daily programming of KICY.

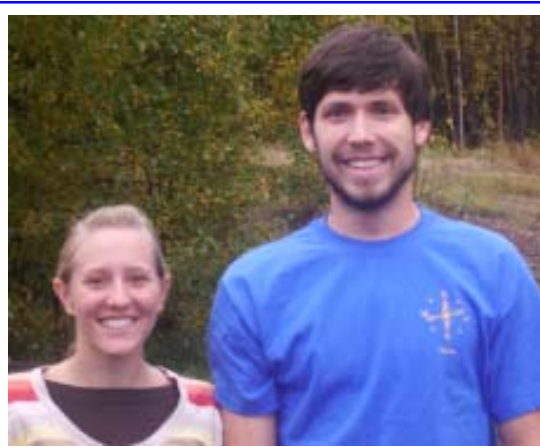
Jessica is the granddaughter of Ralph and Gert Fondell. Ralph was the first KICY

engineer in 1959 and later became Manager. He and Gert served Arctic Broadcasting for over 27 years.

Both Nick and Jessica are working for CYAK in the Wasilla,

Alaska headquarters.

Each Friday afternoon they co-author a script and together call it in to KICY where we record it and upload it for playback in our programming. The first installment of the **CYAK Connection** airs during the **Top Nine at Nine** Christian music countdown on Friday night. Then, there are encore broadcasts on Saturday, Sunday and Monday on both the AM and FM stations. The Monday broadcasts are featured on the Coffee Crew on the FM and the Breakfast Club on the AM. Thanks to this great team in producing this weekly update. ■



*Jessica Fondell and Nick Bruckner.*

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