

KICY *Call Letter*

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Manager's Mic

The year of 2009 is nearly behind us. And, it was a wonderful year. We received so much positive feedback on the importance of our broadcasts. In fact, the Methodist Pastors in Nome recently related a story which really touched my heart. They were preparing a funeral service for one in their congregation when a family member approached them with an unusual request. Could the deceased be buried with his KICY solar powered radio in his coffin? It was the one thing in this world that meant the most to him. I



Dennis Weidler

fight back tears every time I tell that story. We honestly have no idea how large an influence KICY has. And with thousands of square miles under our coverage, it will never be possible to know. I do know that with little or no promotion, when we begin our talking Christmas Card on Christmas Eve, the phone lines light up like a Christmas tree. Many are listening. And many listen all day and all night. It's such a privilege to be there for each of them.

Now, we continue to look forward as we prepare for our 50th Anniversary celebration. We want to make 2010 the Year of KICY in the hearts and minds of both our listeners and those who support our ministry financially and prayerfully. ■

Make Your Celebration Dinner Reservations Soon!

Reservations for the 50th Anniversary Dinner have begun to arrive and we're sending back admission tickets. The Celebration Dinner is free, but we do need reservations placed in advance so we can get a head count.

Discussions with Missionary Aviation Repair Center in Soldotna have indicated that there may be the possibility of travel to and from Nome from Anchorage, but they will do the research to assure there is a savings. They suggested that all travelers call Mark at MARC at 907-262-9659. It is going to be a very busy weekend as the ECCAK State-wide Conference will be held in Nome concurrently. Normally, planes would remain on the ground in Nome until the Conference ends, but that may not be the plan this year.

Accommodations for KICY Celebrants can be arranged through the Aurora Inn at 800-354-4606 or at the Nome Nugget Inn at 907-443-4189. If you know someone in Nome, you may want to arrange for a home stay.

KICY will coordinate Nome ground travel for the KICY 50th Anniversary



and ECCAK Delegates. We will meet all Alaska Airlines flights. If you are arriving on another carrier or a MARC plane, you can call KICY at 1-800-478-5429.

We will also make every attempt to plow out the road to the AM Transmitter site if any would like to tour the facilities. A word of warning, however; you may need to hike a few hundred feet if you wish to tour the Phasor Building. Due to the ground system, it isn't possible to plow up to that building and drifts may be well over 7 feet in mid April.

There is excitement in the air as our 50th Anniversary Celebration weekend draws near. News commentator, Mike Huckabee has recorded his greeting as has U. S. Senator, Mark Begich. Invitations have gone out to all former KICY Volunteers and we are still collecting recipe/story/photo items for the Memory Book we will be publishing for the event.

We look forward to seeing everyone in Nome! ■

Our Christmas Wish List.

It's a time of joy and celebration as we all look forward to Christmas. We all feel so blessed by the events of the past year. Still, there are a few items that would help to lighten the season in Nome. This



year, we'll lead off with **Lon Swanson**. He would like some *Dunkin Donuts coffee*. This can be ground or whole

bean (we have a coffee grinder).

Luda Kinok is especially fond of *orange flavored tea* and most of her tea stock from last year's wish list has dwindled.



Our evening FM host, **Adam**

Lust, would really appreciate some *unusual and unique coffees*.



Sure, surprise him. It's always fun to open boxes and see what's inside.

The new FM Morning Host,

Louis Murphy thinks he'd really enjoy some *coffee* this Christmas. He's not too particular on brand or blend.



Jon Wehde, producer of Garden Talk and What's Up at Nome Public Schools, would



enjoy *photos of your home church*. That's right, he's a collector of home church photos.

Our longest serving volunteer, **Frances Whitmore**, thinks it just isn't Christmas without some *hot chocolate*.



That brings us to **George Bard** who would really like some *cheese*. Yes, cheese is what makes Christmas special for George

though he didn't specify the kind of cheese. But we're sure he'd be happy with any you might choose. **Anna Moore** would like



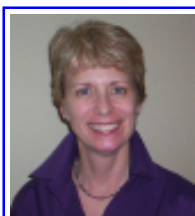
yarn or dried fruit or nuts.



Luella Dennis would like *salted pecans*. Those are hard to find in Nome. And,

Candace Weidler would like some *cashews or pistachios*.

You can decide which you would prefer. General Manager, **Dennis Weidler** would really enjoy *roasted, salted almonds*. It seems like the Weidlers



are a little 'nuts' this time of year.



Our one, most sincere wish is that **you** have a joy-filled Christmas season. Join with us as we share in

the celebration of the birth of Jesus!

We look forward to serving our listeners in 2010. ■

A Prayer Request.

For each of our volunteer staff members.

George Bard

Luella Dennis

Adam Lust

Luda Kinok

Anna Moore

Louis Murphy

Penny Olanna

Lon Swanson

Jon Wehde

Candace Weidler

Dennis Weidler

Frances Whitmore

We always try to publish the list of KICY AM & FM Volunteers to make it easy and simple to pray for each of them. Thank you for any and all prayers.

As the magnetic sign says in Frances' office, "We don't just believe in miracles, we rely on them". The past 50 years have seen one miracle layered on top of another. God has always provided exactly what this radio ministry has needed, when we needed it.

Thanks to each of you, through God's grace, we have had our needs met for 2009. Our prayer for 2010 is that God will continue to touch your heart in support of KICY. ■

December, 2009

Dear extended KICY family,

As we approach year-end, all of us at KICY want to thank you. We know many of you are prayer supporters. We ask that you continue to pray for KICY, the towers, the transmitters, the equipment and the staff.

We know that many of you are our advocates in your home church and encourage others to be part of 100% Sunday or coordinate Salmon Fundraising Dinners and other KICY fundraising events. Thank you for being a KICY champion.

Still others help organize or are part of summer work teams which travel to Nome to build, saw, nail, caulk and paint. Thank you.

And still others provide financial support for our vast, daily broadcast ministry. Thank you.


Each of you has a role. Each is critical to our continued success.

Now, we look forward to the milestone of 50 years of service. From 5,000 watts on Easter Sunday of 1960 to 50,000 watts and a special International Broadcasting License into Russia, KICY is healthy and vital and fully focused on the *next* 50 years.

To secure a healthy, long-term vision of service, we are asking for you to please, prayerfully consider an additional year-end donation. As an example, one family made a gift last Christmas of a membership as Arctic Ambassadors to their family. Rather than exchange presents, they made monthly gifts to KICY in the name of their children and we announced their children's sponsorship of that hour each month. This was a gift that really kept on giving!

Our prayer is that you truly enjoy this time of wonder as the Birthday of our King is celebrated around the world.

In His Service,


Dennis Weidler

Memorials

In October, we received memorials in the name of:

Tom Dotomain

Edward Lattimore, Jr.

Dorothy Harman

Stanley McKnight

K. Schachere

Curtis Gustafson

Thank you for remembering a loved one with your gift.

PLEASE NOTE!

-October Income-

\$38,341.71

-October Budget-

\$33,560.00

-October Expenses-

\$43,463.53

Includes Sales & Programs but not designated funds.



Arctic Broadcasting Association is an affiliated corporation of the Evangelical Covenant Church.

Operation Ready Power.

There remains one piece of the reliability puzzle which is left unfinished. We need to acquire a 150 Kw diesel generator as a backup for the AM transmitter site. Your donation will help this to happen, perhaps as early as this coming summer.

\$45,000

\$40,000

\$35,000

\$30,000

\$25,000

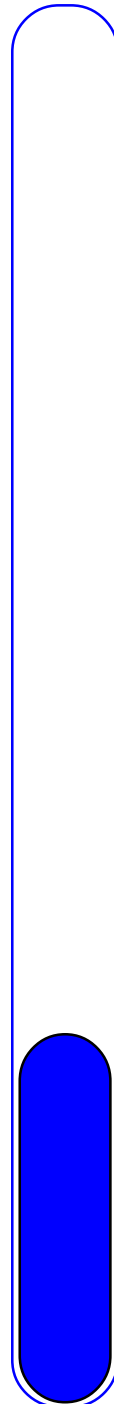
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Welcome to Louis Murphy.

Here's a guy who really stepped out in faith. A week before Dr. Phil was ready to depart for Anchorage, we still hadn't found a replacement for the morning show host. We had been praying about it and tried hard to be patient while God nudged the next volunteer into service at KICY. In fact, it was right after the 100% Sunday service at the Nome Covenant Church, that Louis approached Dr. Phil about lending a hand. The next morning at 7 am, Dr. Phil had Louis heavily into training. When not behind the microphone, Louis is

the Director of Emergency Medical Services (among other things) at Norton Sound Health Corporation. He arrived in Nome just a little over ten years ago from Ocala, Florida where

he was also working in Hospital Administration.

Prior to that, Louis served in the military.

Now, Louis makes his way bright and early to the broadcast studios each

morning to host "Up & At 'Em" from 7 to 9 am. He has a very relaxed, natural style which the listeners appreciate and a real heart for service.

We will miss Dr. Phil and his love of movie trivia, but Louis Muphy brings his own, unique style to the ICY 100.3 FM morning show. We thank God for blessing us with Louis. ■



Louis Murphy ready to take the controls.