

KICY Call Letter

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Manager's Mic

A savage fall storm, visiting dignitaries and a political season which seemed to never want to end highlighted our fall season.

So it goes in Nome and western Alaska. The highest recorded wind in Nome is 74 miles per hour. This storm packed only 60 mile per hour winds. I don't want to see what the other 14 miles per hour might do to our community.

Nome is extremely fortunate to have an Emergency plan in effect organized with the National Guard, State Troopers, Nome Police, the Fire



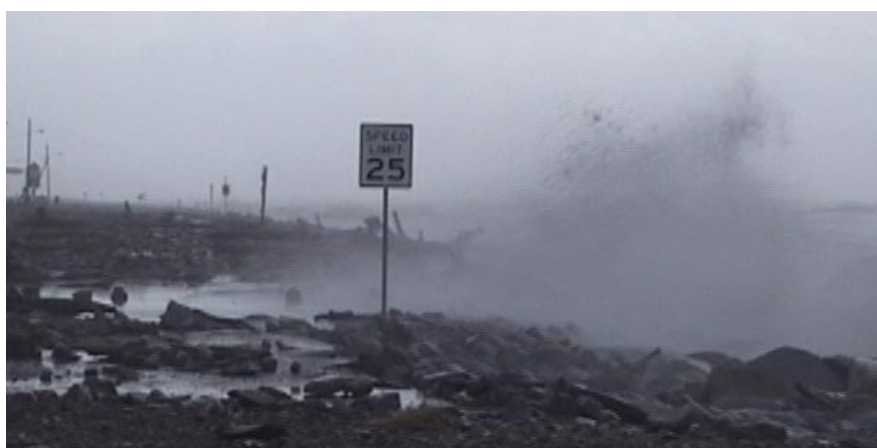
Dennis Weidler

Department, Ambulance Department and Norton Sound Regional Medical

Center. Communication between all the organizations was efficient and well orchestrated with the City Manager leading efforts from his command center in the Fire Hall.

On another tack, we broadcast our first coverage of the Nome Invitational Volleyball Tournament. Co-ed teams from schools from around the region came to compete against the Nome girls team. That's right. Most schools have too few students to field a single gender team. But that doesn't stop them from competing against any other team at any time.

We're looking forward to a great school year with lots of sports and musical programs! In radio, those are our specialty. ■



The road serving eastern Nome is wahed out.

Nome Ravaged by Sea Storm.

It wasn't mentioned on CNN or the Weather Channel. It wasn't as big as the great storm of '74...but it was very close. The word went out on Monday evening that there was an extremely large low pressure area bearing down on most of western Alaska. Nome hunkered down.

By Tuesday morning, Front Street was evacuated, businesses were flooded and school was closed. Power line poles tilted wildly in the wind. Storm surge, powered by winds of nearly 60 miles per hour, pounded the seawall bringing logs, abandoned mining equipment and huge rocks through windows and onto Front Street. The main road east of town to the transmitter site was washed away and logs and other debris were scattered everywhere. Dry Creek, which is usually about 3 feet wide, was now about 100 yards wide with whitecaps blowing across the surface. For most of a day, we had lakefront property! Meals were served and evacuees were housed at

the Nome Recreation Center.

Thanks to the city officials and emergency preparedness team for getting Nome through what could have been a catastrophic event.

The following week we were visited by Governor Murkowski, U. S. Senator Ted Stevens and Congressman Don Young.

Between Mekoryuk in the south to Kotzebue in the north, an estimated \$12,000,000 in damage called for an order of Emergency Declaration to

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A Prayer Request.

We are still awaiting the final determination from the FAA about our proposed tower for the FM. The FAA thought we were about 10 feet too high for our location. KICY is located very close to the approach of the Nome International Airport. Pray for a positive final action.



Luda prepares for another broadcast.

Russian Mission Update.

My name is Luda Kinok. The first time when I've heard about KICY radio was in 1996. Me and one woman came as a missionary to the little village of Provideniya region – Yanrakinnot, where the Gospel was never have been spread before.

Lot's of people came to the our service and there was two brothers who gave a testimony that they are always listing the Christian radio KICY from Nome, AK. They told that they tired of dirty, sinful life and they decide to pray saying to God: "God if You are real God, please send to us a people who are talking and singing like in this radio and after that we will give up to You God". They still listing KICY even with more hunger.

The Gospel through the KICY reaching many others places of Chukotka. Such as places to where people can't reach because of the bad transport situation. It's a places where living a deerfarmers. They still living in home which are made from deer skin. We call it yaranga. There is no constant electricity and no TV, but they've got a radio. So missionary who arrived those places was surprised that KICY American radio spreading the Gospel in Russian. Let God be glorified!

UPDATE: Luda is traveling to Vladivostock to get her 2-year visa. Keep her travels and dealing with the Russian govenment in your prayers. I was going to edit her story, but wanted her to tell it in her own words. ■

A Prayer Request. *For each of our staff members.*

Maj. Gary Grennon

Luda Kinok

Mitchell Nash

Neil Peterson

Lon Swanson

Josh Rogers

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Dennis Weidler

Frances Whitmore

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We pray that each of you has a wonderful, glorious Holiday Season.

Nome is a very special place during this time of year with community choral concerts and a young people's theatrical production. Both are being organized by members of the Nome Covenant Church. Yes, we give great thanks for them.

Capital Campaign Update.

Operation *Blanket Nome* is under way! We are seeking your help to allow us to expand our FM signal to meet an ever growing demand by our listeners. We hope to be able to order materials to be shipped on the first barge next summer with completion by July 31, 2005.

The entire project, transmitter, antenna, tower, shipping and installation is budgeted at \$60,000. This month we received \$1,225. Can you help us reach our goal?

\$60,000

\$50,000

\$40,000

\$30,000

\$20,000

\$10,000

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be signed and teams were already rebuilding 13 miles of roadway washed out to sea.

A few days after the storm, things were pretty much back to normal. Windows were replaced. Loaders cleaned up the streets and businesses pumped out the water.

Power lines were temporarily rerouted until a final fix could be made next summer. KICY suffered no damage and

we were able to keep broadcasting except for several hours when our battery backup ran out of power.

The pole pictured at the right is the one providing power to our studio building and the Yellow House. It is one of three that cross Dry Creek which suffered a similar fate.

We prayed hard. There was no loss of life and no real

injuries. Nome was prepared. We thank God for His mercy. ■



A power pole tilts in Dry Creek.

Our Christmas Wish.

We all wish you the most joyous and blessed Christmas season and look forward to serving our listeners through your prayer support in 2005.



Memorials

In October we received memorials in the name of:

Anna Ver Hage

Kathleen Easter Saccheus

Dorothy Almquist

Mrs. Edwards

Thank you for remembering a loved one through a gift to our mission.

PLEASE NOTE!

-October Income-
\$35,227.91

Includes Sales & Programs but not designated funds.

-October Budget-
\$33,585.00

Thank you for your prayer and financial support.



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

Meet KICY's Newest Volunteer, Major Gary Grennon.

Major Grennon comes to KICY as a local volunteer who is currently serving as the Senior Army Instructor (SAI) for the Nome-Beltz High School Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) program.

Major Grennon served 20 years of service in the United States Army, retiring in 1994. He became the Regional Manager for Marketing then Vice-President for Pacific Rim Marketing for LB&M now Advancia Corporation which performs the environmental assessments for the FAA in Alaska. He also completed 4 years of service as an SAI at Kahuku High School in Hawaii from 1999 to 2003.



Major Gary Grennon at the mic.

Now in his second year at Nome-Beltz, he has seen the program grow from 83 students in

the first year to over 98. The entire student body is only 200 students!

As part of his system of rewards for the cadets, he allows a select few to co-host the Coffee Crew, the morning show on ICY100.3 FM and the Breakfast Club on KICY AM-850.

He also assists with local sports broadcasts with his unique style of play-by-play. He also is regularly scheduled for a weekend airshift on both KICY AM-850 and ICY 100.3 FM.

Gary Grennon is a great leader and role model for the young people of western Alaska and we are extremely thankful to have him on our team.

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