## KICY Call Letter

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#### Manager's Mic

What a glorious summer it has been. And, in true Nome fashion, we are spending as much time outdoors as possible. The reindeer have been moving closer and closer to the transmitter site where the team from Tucson has been constructing our new tuning house. It's fun to see where the reindeer have been bedding down each day. Sometimes all you see are antlers sticking up from the tundra. A herd of musk oxen, numbering nearly 30, was seen on top of Anvil Mountain one evening, including



about 6 new calves. We've hosted our Tucson work team to a hot dog roast on

the beach and a few hikes. One was up the front of Anvil Mountain and the other up to the top of Newton Peak. Yes, we do get out when the weather is good and the weather had been extremely good.

By the time you receive this the Tucson Team will be gone and the Kalamazoo Team will be here. The rebuilding project is moving forward and we are all looking forward to returning to full power with our directional signal into the Russian Far East.

Please keep the safety of the work teams in your prayers. They make a great sacrifice to keep KICY in service to our listeners.



Bob Kirby holds the donuts while Fred Tuggy, Ron Kovacs and George Bard await instructions.

### The Rebuilding Teams Arrive in Nome.

White AM license in hand and the equipment being shipped in from Tennessee, we have begun the rebuilding process for our 50,000 watt mission into the Russian Far East. We hope to be able to begin promoting our Russian signal in the local Russian newspapers by this fall. Luda is working on developing a print ad to reintroduce her programming to her listeners who have been wondering what had happened to "their KICY".

The first team to arrive, even before the Memorial Day weekend, was the Tucson Team. Bob and Liz Kirby and Fred Tuggy were soon joined by Ron Kovacs, Pete Colan, Steven and Michael Peterson and the Remers, Wade, Joy and Seth.

This first team built the new 32 foot by 16 foot tuning house. Within a week, the building was under its new roof and the drywall was being installed. It's amazing what a skilled and dedicated team can accomplish!

The Remers will be scraping and painting the many tower sections so both towers will have a new coat of paint when they go up in July.

Kevin and Julie Halvorsen from Eagle River, Alaska flew in for a weekend. She is an Alaska Airlines Flight Attendant, so they are able to fly for free. A week later, Kevin returned for the day to help finish the Arctic style vent hoods for the new building.

The old concrete piers, which had precariously supported the Center and East towers, were removed and the drilling of the pilot holes for the new pilings has begun.

We simply could not function without our volunteer teams.



Terry Reynolds, our newest ABA Member.

#### Meet Terry Reynolds.

Terry Reynolds first arrived in Nome as a KICY short-term volunteer in September, 1972. By the time he left the following June, he knew that Nome was where God was calling him to be. Terry first learned about KICY at Camp Mission Meadows in 1969 when Stan and Beth Summers were the camp missionaries.

Terry grew up in Warren, PA had been a ham radio operator since he was 16 years old; and radio was his passion. After high school he attended the radio tech program at Penn Technical Institute in Pittsburgh, and, following his year in Nome, obtained his First Class General Telephone License at State Technical Institute in Chicago.

Terry and his wife Linda returned to Alaska for 2 years in 1977 (now 30 years), where Terry's first job as engineer was to install the original KICY FM equipment. Over the years he rebuilt studio A, Studio B (the production studio) and upgraded the transmitter power to 10,000 watts. Nine years later the Reynolds family, including Sarah and Tim who were both born in Nome, moved to Eagle River to build KCFA. Since 1992 Terry has

worked at various radio and TV stations in Anchorage. Terry has been the Engineer for KICY for several years. Although he still resides in Eagle River, he commutes the 1049+ miles to Nome several times a year when the need arises; and sometimes spends extended time for larger projects. He is always available to consult with the local staff if necessary.

Terry was scoutmaster of a Boy Scout troop for 10 years. Terry served as treasurer of ECCAK for a number of years. He has been an integral part of the Community Covenant Church worship team since the church began in the early 1990's, playing guitar and bass, and overseeing the sound system needs. He currently serves on the church leadership team. He is a Certified Professional Broadcast Engineer. Recently Terry has become a member of the Arctic Broadcasting Board of Directors. He currently holds an Extra Class Amateur Radio ticket and is a member of the Quarter Century Wireless Association. Each evening he spends time, as he has for many years, talking to fellow amateur radio operators around the state on several nets, keeping connected with others who share his passion for radio.

# 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

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

Luda will be returning to the Russian Far East for a few weeks to renew her Nanuuq Commission pass. That process will allow her to live in Nome for another 90 days. It's the simplest solution to keeping her here in Nome over the long term.



Jon Wehde, Major Grennon and the plants are all enjoying the solar powered radio.

#### Nome-Beltz Greenhouse Goes Solar.

Candace was working in the Nome Public School's District Office when she was approached by the Assistant to the Superintendant, Jon Wehde. He has been working on securing grants to build, maintain and operate the new greenhouse. He was familiar with KICY's solar powered radios and was hoping to find one so the greenhouse could be totally solar...including the radio. She

obliged by surrendering her personal radio with a pretty good certainty she could find another one.

Later, Asst. Superintendant Wehde returned and asked for another solar powered radio...so the plants could enjoy KICY AM-850 throughout the entire new greenhouse. The plants are thriving and the greenhouse remains totally solar powered!

Check the Progress of this summer's work teams as we rebuild. Go to www.kicy.org and click on KICY Photo Album, then Album: Summer 2007 for a day-by-day pictorial description of the work.

#### <u>Memorials</u>

In May, we received memorials in the name of:

Tom Dotomain

Edward Lattimore, Jr.

Stanton Katchatag

Thank you for remembering a loved one with your gift.

#### PLEASE NOTE!

-May Income-

\$23,601.60

-May Budget-

\$33,645.00

-May Expenses-

\$30,578.01

Includes Sales & Programs but not designated funds.

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Association is an
affiliated corporation
of the Evangelical
Covenant Church.

## Operation 'Solid Foundation'.

We are getting close to the \$152,000 mark with \$3,509.90 received in May. Thank you! The equipment has arrived in Nome and is awaiting the broadcast engineering crew.

We have extended the campaign until **July 1, 2007** to raise the remaining funds. Please help keep KICY debt-free.

\$175,000



\$150,000

\$125,000

\$100,000

\$75,000

\$50,000

\$25,000

#### KICY Presents Broadcasting Award.

It's always an honor and a joy to present public appreciation to our high school students for their work in the community. At the

recent JROTC Awards night, KICY was able to present our Broadcasters Award to Nome-Beltz High School Junior, Josh Head. Josh is an extremely hard working and reliable young man. In addition to his academic excellence, Josh is on the basketball team and was promoted to Battalion Commander for next year's school term.

Josh's parents are Dr. and Mrs. David Head. Dr. Head is Chief of Staff at Norton Sound Regional Health Corporation and his mother, Lori is a member of the Nome School Board.



Josh Head receives the Broadcasters Award from Dennis Weidler.

This past school year, Josh filed reports on the JROTC's activities over both KICY AM-850 and ICY 100.3 FM. He also produced a series

of anti-smoking PSA's which were instrumental in the JROTC Program receiving a grant from the Nome Community Center. Josh was also involved in helping to set up an interview with our servicemen in Iraq.

We should also note that the entire Head family gathers around the breakfast table, tunes in to ICY 100.3 FM each morning and wins a lot of movie passes! Thanks to Josh for his service.

AM-850 & ICY 100.3 FM Nome, Alaska 99762



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