

KICY Call Letter

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Manager's Mic

Christmas, 2013

Christmas greetings to our extended KICY family,

Coming up on Christmas Eve at 2 pm is our annual Talking Christmas Card. This is a time when we open the phone lines and allow our listeners to share Christmas greetings with family members and friends all over western Alaska. It's more than two hours of non-



Dennis Weidler

stop phone calls from the villages of western Alaska. And, it's a lot of fun.

This is also a time of indoor sports action

with the kickoff of the high school basketball season in Mid-December.

Our newest volunteer, Josie Stiles, has often helped with courtside play-by-play action. The Superintendent of Nome Public Schools, Stephen Gast, has also offered to cover as many games as he possibly can. A local teenager, Hannah Kennedy, recently joined our staff and is currently in training for some behind-the-scenes work. We'll have more on her service to KICY in the next issue of the Call Letter. We are so blessed to have so many come forward to volunteer in our desire to bring the community together through service.

And, to top off 2013, we have a brand new church in which we can worship! God has blessed us through the vision and generosity of Samaritan's Purse.

Have a Glorious Christmas. ■

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

Pray for our listeners as well. For many, KICY is the only church, pastor, teacher or worship leader they may ever know. Pray each may be filled with the Holy Spirit to face each new day.

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.

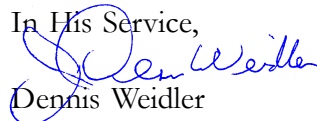
And still others provide financial support for our vast, daily international broadcast ministry. Thank you.

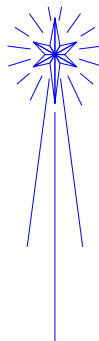
Each of you has a role. Each is critical to our continued success.

To secure a healthy, long-term vision of service, we are asking for you to please, prayerfully consider an additional year-end donation. This year saw a decline in giving over our estimated budget. We know of the uncertainty with which we all face the financial future. Pray for the Lord to lead you in making a decision for KICY. And, may God bless you.

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



But you, Bethlehem Ephratha, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times. Micah 5:2



Our Christmas Wish List.

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



we'll lead off with our seven-year veteran Breakfast Club Host, **Lon Swanson**. He would like some

regular flavor *Dunkin Donuts coffee* again this year. This can be ground or whole bean (we have a coffee grinder but that ground coffee is really convenient).

Our Up & At 'Em FM morning host, **Ian Coglan**, would really



appreciate some *beef jerky in a variety of flavors*.



Our newest volunteer, **Josie Stiles** is a big fan of *pistachios* at Christmas time.

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

Dr. Phil and wife, Lisa Schobert have been helping out in a variety of ways



around KICY. They would like *Pistachios or M & Ms*. That brings us to **George Bard** who would really like a cup of

hot tea while he's updating our Top 40 each week. Yes, a cup of tea is what makes Christmas special for George though the flavors aren't important.



We're sure he'd be happy with any you might choose. Our Sunday announcer, **Rolland Trowbridge** and his family would



like *unsalted nuts* this year.

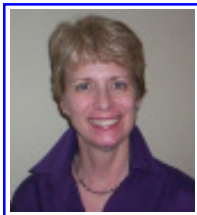
Dennis Weidler would enjoy receiving his perennial favorites, *roasted, salted almonds*.

Candace thinks it would be a very special Christmas season with some



Pistachios.

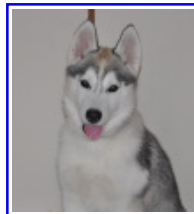
And, our brand new puppy, **Kat** has visions of *Beggin' Strips* dancing in her head.



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, Immanuel!

We look forward to serving our listeners in 2014 and sharing the Good News with all who have ears to hear. May God richly bless each of you in the upcoming New Year. And, thank you for your prayers as we face another long winter. ■



A Prayer Request. For each of our staff members.

George Bard

Ian Coglan

Dr. Phil Schobert

Josie Stiles

Lon Swanson

Rolland Trowbridge

Candace Weidler

Dennis Weidler

Frances Whitmore

Progress continues on the plans to build a four unit apartment building this coming summer. We have work teams beginning to ask about timing to make travel plans. We do know that the first barge, with all the building supplies, should arrive by June 10th if the harbor is free of ice.

Please check the kicy.org home page on the internet to check the most recent schedule of work team arrival and departure dates.

At this point, Alaska Airlines has discontinued the morning flight into Nome. That leaves only two flights a day, but that may change by the time summer arrives.

We look forward to your arrival in Nome! ■

More And More Dinners Are Added For 2014. Is Your Church On The List?

Our desire is to have a continually growing Salmon Fundraising Dinner list of upcoming events. Hopefully there will be one near enough for you to come and share in wild-caught Alaskan salmon.

The next trip to the Lower 48 begins on Saturday, January 25th at Countryside Covenant Church in McPherson, Kansas just before the annual Midwinter Conference in Chicago. That will be followed by post-meeting dinners at Hope Covenant Church in Richland, Michigan on Saturday, February 1st and Faith Covenant in Farmington Hills on Wednesday, February 5th. There are still two more dinners pending. One before Kansas and one before Hope in

Richland.

The May tour begins on Sunday, May 11th at Haddam Neck Covenant Church in Connecticut. That is followed by Pilgrim Covenant in Granby, Connecticut on Tuesday, May 13th and Bethany Covenant in Berlin, Connecticut the next day, May 14th.



If your church is in the neighborhood, and that can be liberally applied, let us know.

We are also hoping for a summer (August?) tour on the west coast, anywhere from Washington state to Arizona. Just ask anyone. A KICY Salmon Fundraising dinner is a fun event where we bring the fish, cook it, serve it and have a great time sharing the scope and breadth of our unique broadcast ministry. ■

Can You Help?

We continue to plan for a major construction project next summer and we need your help. The property next to the KICY studio has become available and we have plans to build a four unit apartment building.

Can you help? As you can see, we need to raise \$150,000 to match a pending grant. Your financial support would be appreciated.

\$150,000.00

Memorials

In October, we received memorials in the name of:

Tom & Annie Dotomain

Edward Lattimore, Jr.

Lillian Ness

LeRoy P. Christiansen

Thank you for remembering a loved one with your gift.

PLEASE NOTE!

-October Income-

\$47,817.74

-October Budget-

\$51,060.00

-October Expenses-

\$40,775.46

*Includes Sales & Programs but
not designated funds.*



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Welcome to Josie Stiles.

Josie Stiles is originally from the western Alaska village of Unalakleet where her mother, Mary Lou Nashoalook was raised. Her father, Norm Stiles is from Louisiana so when Josie explains her upbringing, she says she was 'raised on reindeer steaks and grits'.

She has a younger brother, Don Stiles, who also resides in Nome with his family.

Josie is a graduate of Covenant High School in Unalakleet and has attended college and vocational school.

She is blessed with two beautiful girls, 21 year-old

Kallie King and Katie King who is 20. Both were born and raised in Nome and call it home to this day.

Josie was a KICY Volunteer, and later paid staff, when she

first moved to Nome in 1980. Station Manager, Ralph Fondell hired her and she had the opportunity to work with Stan and Beth Summers, Terry and Linda Reynolds, Jim Brewer and Bryan Storm.

"It was so different 30 years ago and I'm amazed how technology has evolved. Gone are the records, broadcast carts, scripting the weather every hour and there was not one computer in the station! I am so blessed and happy to be part of KICY again. It inspires me to renew my radio skills, as well as my faith".

Welcome aboard, Josie. ■



Josie Stiles get re-acquainted with the studio.