

KICY Call Letter

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Manager's Mic

I am blessed. Blessed by the legacy of the pioneering families who founded this station. Blessed by the more recent legacy of the Weidlers' eighteen year ministry here and the solid state in which the station has been left. Blessed by my staff




Patty Burchell

who give tirelessly of their time to make sure the message of the Gospel gets out to Western Alaska, the Russian Far East, and right

here in Nome. Blessed by the listeners who call with prayer requests, contest answers, or song requests. Blessed by the Arctic Broadcasting Association Board who have placed their trust in me to lead this radio ministry.

And I am blessed by supporters like you who take the time to read the Call Letter and pray for us on a regular basis, or whenever you think of us. Blessed by supporters who give of their money to keep this radio station on the air. Blessed by those of you who have come in the past and will come in the future as short term or long term volunteers.

Though the thoughts of thanks are there year round, this is the time of year when we pause to say thank you. So thank you. Thank you for your participation in the Gospel through KICY. 

Dear Friends,

I have a laminated sign that I hang on my office door each month. The sign has a picture of a microphone and it says, "ON THE AIR." The sign warns visitors not to knock on my door while I am hosting my monthly broadcast of *CareForce*. I am one of several pastors and leaders who share a devotional and pray for daily prayer requests from listeners.

Recently when praying on the air, I saw a vision. An array of light was spread across Western Alaska. The strands were people praying with me across hundreds of miles of Alaskan wilderness. I imagined beams of light crisscrossing to form a gigantic network of hope, health and healing as strangers prayed for each other from village to village. I saw light piercing the darkness and love spreading in the heavenly realms.

Yes, I have a vivid imagination. But remember this title of our adversary. In Ephesians 2:2, Satan is called, "the ruler of the kingdom of the air." On the air, KICY is invading Satan's territory. We are part of a

great rebellion against this false ruler.

This invisible signal is "air support" to brothers and sisters who are in captivity. God is strengthening the weak and giving hope to the hopeless. Jesus is turning a radio audience into a church. In fact, KICY is the only church some listeners

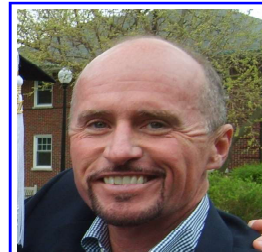
know. For me, "ON THE AIR" is a call to mission.

Your participation keeps KICY on the air. Your prayers are a part of God's network of hope over Alaska and the Russian Far East. Your donations are a fragrant offering to God hovering over a vast mission field. On behalf of the board of directors, I thank you for your ongoing support and generosity. Please consider making a year-end contribution to keep this network strong.

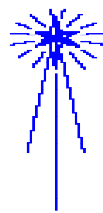
When we serve this station together, we put life itself on the air.

Love in Christ,

Mike Cogan
Pastor, Kearney Covenant Church,
Kearney, Missouri
Board member
Arctic Broadcasting Association



Pastor Mike Cogan



Our Christmas Wish List.

It's that time of year again...a time of joy and celebration as we all look forward to the joyous Christmas season. Again by popular request, we have assembled a list of some items our staff would really enjoy receiving this holiday time. This year, we'll lead off with our twelve-year veteran Breakfast Club Host, **Lon Swanson**. Breaking with tradition, he'd really enjoy some *pistachios* this year, either in or out of the shell.



Contrary to the name of the show, our Coffee Crew FM morning host, **George Bard**, is not much of a coffee drinker. But, a hot cup of *Mint Tea* is what makes Christmas special for George. Although the flavors aren't real important, he does prefer mint.



Bertha Koweluk is host of SingSpiration Time each weekday evening from 7 to 10 p.m. She also hosts the weekend Get-Togethers. Her Christmas wish includes some *Chocolate Morsels for baking, or Candy*.



Lena Mathlaw shares hosting SingSpirationTime each weekday evening. She has also been cleaning the studio on a regular basis. She would love some *walnuts or plain almonds*. Those are local favorites here.



Our Russian Programmer, **Luda Kinok** recently purchased a Kuerig coffee maker. She would really appreciate some *French Roast Starbucks (Bold) K-cups* for Christmas this year. I wish you could see her smile when we unpack the Christmas boxes.



Kathy Horner volunteers behind the scenes to process our donations and other payments. As she sits at the computer, she would love to munch on some *dark chocolate*. It is tasty, and good for you!



Patty Burchell would enjoy *Mixed Nuts* for this Christmas season. That sounds super-terrific!



Needless to say, but we'll say it anyway, our one, most sincere wish is that **you** have a joy-filled Christmas season. Join with us, as across the miles we share in the celebration of the birth of Jesus, Immanuel!

We look forward to serving our listeners in 2018 as we share the Good News across Western Alaska and the Russian Far East. ■

A Prayer Request. For each of our staff members.

George Bard

Patty Burchell

Kathy Horner

Bertha Koweluk

Luda Kinok

Lena Mathlaw

Lon Swanson

KICY Needs You!

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be part of a radio ministry? We are in need of people with adventurous spirits and a desire to serve God for at least a year in our remote corner of the world. As was once said to me, if you can give us a year, we can teach you radio. We can give you suggestions for raising your own support, and guarantee an experience like no other. If you feel the call of God to serve His people in Western Alaska, please contact Patty Burchell at generalmanager@kicy.org, or 1-800-478-5429. You can also find more information about volunteering on our website, kicy.org. We have a place for YOU! ■

Come Join Us For Wild Alaska Salmon

It's time again to share the idea of your church hosting a KICY Wild Alaska Salmon Fundraising Dinner. There is one coming up near the Covenant Midwinter Conference, and there are a few dates still available. If your church is within a two to four hour drive from Chicago I would love to bring a free Salmon Dinner to you sometime between January 19 and 21. To reserve your date, give us a call or send an e-mail to office@kicy.org. Be sure to keep checking the KICY website for the most up-to-date information.

We love to ship in wild caught Alaska salmon from Nome, cook it up, serve it and share the vision of KICY in a brief PowerPoint presentation.

We try to take the pressure off your church team and do all the salmon preparation. Ask anyone who has had a KICY dinner. I think they'll all agree that they are lots of fun. ■



**Midwinter 2018
January 22 - 26
Chicago, Illinois**

Wednesday, January 18, 2018
Winnetka Covenant Church
Winnetka, Illinois

It's Only a Stamp...

...but it can make a difference for KICY. We are happy to provide business reply envelopes with the Call Letter and other mailings. What many don't realize, however, is that KICY pays the postage on each envelope returned. Another little known fact is that you can put your own stamp on the envelope. When you use your own stamp, KICY receives a refund for that postage. Forty-nine cents may not seem like a lot, but adds up quickly. Thank you for considering using your own stamp on our reply envelopes. It is just one more small way you can help keep KICY fiscally strong.

From the Virtual Mailbag

I stayed tuned to 850kHz online all day yesterday till the Russian program started, and I realized that you are very close to the local people. I enjoyed the talk programs, and the gospel performances by the local choirs.

Congratulations on your blessed and beloved radio broadcasting!

I will be tuned to 850 for the rest of the day.

Hiroki Uchida
Akita, Japan

Memorials

In October and November, we received memorials in the name of:

Tom & Annie Dotomain
Edward Lattimore, Jr.
Nancy W. Edwards
Dr. Gordon Bonander
Keith Gerdin

Thank you for remembering a loved one with your gift.

PLEASE NOTE!

-November Income-

\$43,688.81

-November Budget-

\$37,119.90

-November Expenses-

\$39,605.21

*Includes Sales & Programs but
not designated funds.*



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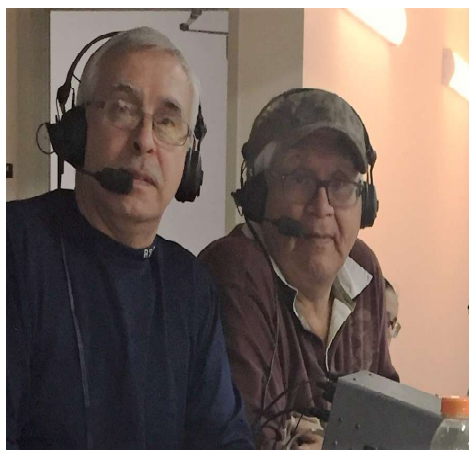
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A Quarter Century of Wrestling Play-By-Play

November 2-4, 2017 marked the 36th Annual Bering Strait School District Elementary and Jr. High Wrestling and Cheerleading Tournament, and once again, KICY was there. KICY has been known as Western Alaska's Sports Leader almost since our beginning. It has always been important to us to connect people distances apart through broadcasting community events, and often that means sports. So in about 1992 we started broadcasting the BSSD Wrestling Tournament and Tony Haugen and Sam Towarak were the announcers.

Twenty-five years later, they are still at it. Tony has 30 years as a district employee under his belt,



Tony Haugen & Sam Towarak

and Sam retired from the Assistant Superintendent position in 2002, so they know all the players. In fact, they know their parents and grandparents, and the history of wrestling in the

various families. They know the names of the moves, and add local color whenever they can.

My first experience with the sport of wrestling was listening to these men call the tournament, live on KICY, my first fall as a volunteer in 1999. I knew nothing about wrestling, but listening to the broadcast, I couldn't help but be drawn in. Now, I look forward to it each year. Not only do the families of the participants appreciate hearing how their students are faring, it is just plain fun to listen to!

What a blessing to be able to serve our listeners in this way. Congratulations, Tony and Sam, on another fabulous tournament. We already look forward to next year. ■