

Rick Monday

Rick Monday began his career at age 14 as a Radio Explorer. For two years he met once a week with other teens interested in knowing more about radio broadcasting. During this time he learned to write commercials and operate the controls of a radio station.

At age 16 he was hired to as a weekend announcer at KIXS - FM in Killeen, Texas.

At 17 while on air Rick was taken hostage by a Charles Manson Family member.

At 18 Rick became the youngest Radio Announcer in the Southwest region to have a number one ABRITRON-rated show.

While at Baylor University Rick worked at three radio stations - one pop, one classical music and the student-run Baylor radio station. At age 20 Rick was the Program Director at the Baylor student-run radio station.

At 21 Rick was chosen to host the Rick Monday Rock and Roll Caravan. During the next two years Rick would meet and interview performers such as Bruce Springsteen, Rod Stewart and Bob Seeger.

At age 23 Rick joined the US Army Reserves as an interrogator. He was sent to Korea.

In 1984 Rick read that the former Armed Forced Radio Network in Taipei had converted to a civilian radio station ICRT and was looking for experienced announcers. Rick signed a two-year contract that has extended into a 23 year contract.

During his first year at ICRT Rick and the Taipei American School athletic director created the most successful high school basketball tournament in Taiwan - the Holiday Classic. That tournament is now the Nioke High School League.

In 2004 Rick and Bill Thissen collected 32,000 names on a petition and asked the GIO on behalf of the foreign community to provide better foreign-language TV programs.

In 2006 Rick and Bill asked the StarWorld channel to broadcast all 10 seasons of Seinfeld.

Rick and Bill are among a few media to annually have an exclusive interview with AIT Director Steven Young.