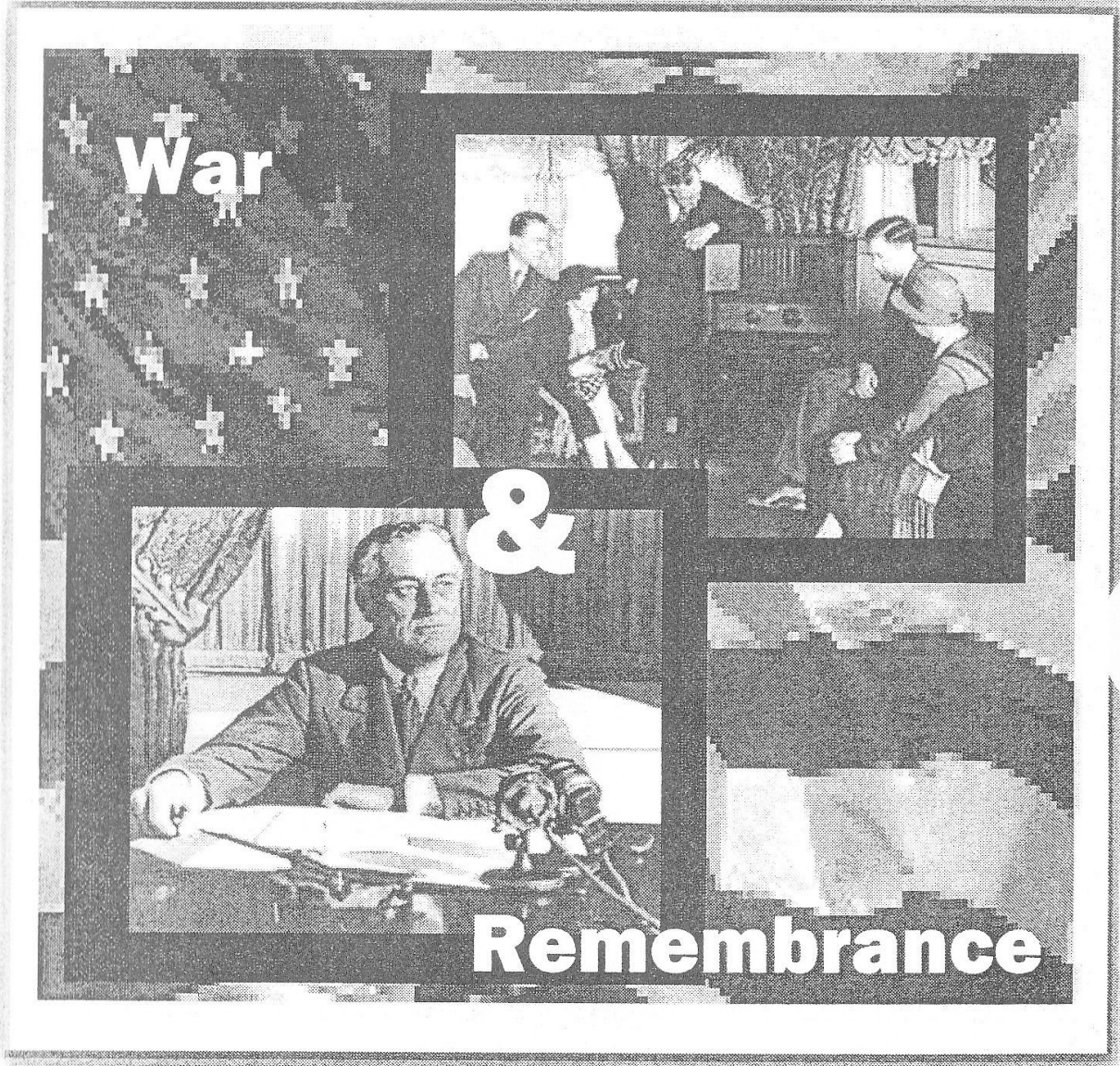




# Wisconsin Antique Radio Club Newsletter

October 2008



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## “...A Day that Will Live in Infamy...”

By: Diana Mankowski & Raissa Jose, The Museum of Broadcast Communications “The 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of FDR’s Fireside Chats”.

With almost 90% of all households owning radios at the end of his presidency, it made sense that Roosevelt would choose radio addresses as his means of connecting with the public. And FDR did connect with the public in a way no other president had before.

Not only did his Fireside Chats speak to the people on a personal level and encourage their individual participation, but they also made listeners feel part of a larger whole; a united nation that would overcome the tough times it faced.

The Chats were relatively brief, ranging in length from fifteen to forty-five minutes. He also relied on stories, anecdotes, and analogies to explain the complex issues facing the country. The radio addresses strove to turn listeners into a unified nation of active citizens.



The success of the Fireside Chats is evidenced by the millions of letters that flooded the White House. Americans from all walks of life wrote FDR, and many of these letters were written within days, even hours, of hearing their beloved president over the radio. Through these letters, Roosevelt became better acquainted with the views of his public and became even more aware of the power of radio.

A conversation between the people and their president, the Fireside Chats provide a portrait of America during one of its most difficult times and how its leader reminded us of our dreams, our hopes, and the promise of democracy.

# Did You Know? Did You Know?



Did you know that the original idea and patent that led to cellular phone technology comes from the movie star, Hedy Lamarr?

She knew a great deal about weaponry by listening to her first husband, Fritz Mandl, an armament manufacturer. She left her husband when he became increasingly involved in deals with the Nazis and made her way to London, then on to Hollywood.

She'd kept her mind active on what she'd heard about the problems of radio-controlled missiles and how easy it was to block the simple signal. She realized that if the signal jumped from frequency to frequency quickly (like changing channels on a TV or radio) and both sender and receiver changed in the same order, then the signal could never be blocked by someone "listening in" who didn't know how the frequency was changing.

In those days before the transistor was invented it was difficult to design a way for this to be accomplished. Composer George Antheil suggested using something similar to piano rolls, from player pianos, to keep both sides in synch. Together, he and Lamarr patented the "Secret Communication System" in 1942. At that time the idea of using the paper rolls was too cumbersome to be practical.

When the transistor did become available the Navy used the idea in secure military communications and when transistors became really cheap the idea was used in cellular phone technology. By the time the Navy used the idea, the original patent had expired and Lamarr and Antheil never received any royalty payments for their idea.

In 1997 she was honored with an award at the Computers, Freedom, and Privacy conference for "blazing new trails on the electronic frontier." Hedy Lamarr died on January 19, 2000.

*Source: The Associated Press, March, 1997*

# GI Radio & Tokyo Rose

Iva Toguri was an American stranded in Japan at the outbreak of World War II. She was forced to broadcast propoganda to the Allied troops for Japan. In these radio programs, she taunted the troops and played music from home. She took the name Orphan Ann on the program, Zero Hour.

"Tokyo Rose" is a myth: Iva Toguri, like other women who also broadcast Japanese propoganda to Allied troops, was never referred to as Rose or Tokyo Rose. It was a name given by the Allies to the various female Japanese broadcasters. But it has been used since the war primarily to refer to Iva Toguri D'Aquino.

Though forced to broadcast to the troops, she claimed that she, with the help of American POWs assigned to the radio broadcasts, made herself and her words purposefully ridiculous. She had refused to give up her American citizenship, despite pressure and even punishment from the Japanese who forced her into the broadcasting role.

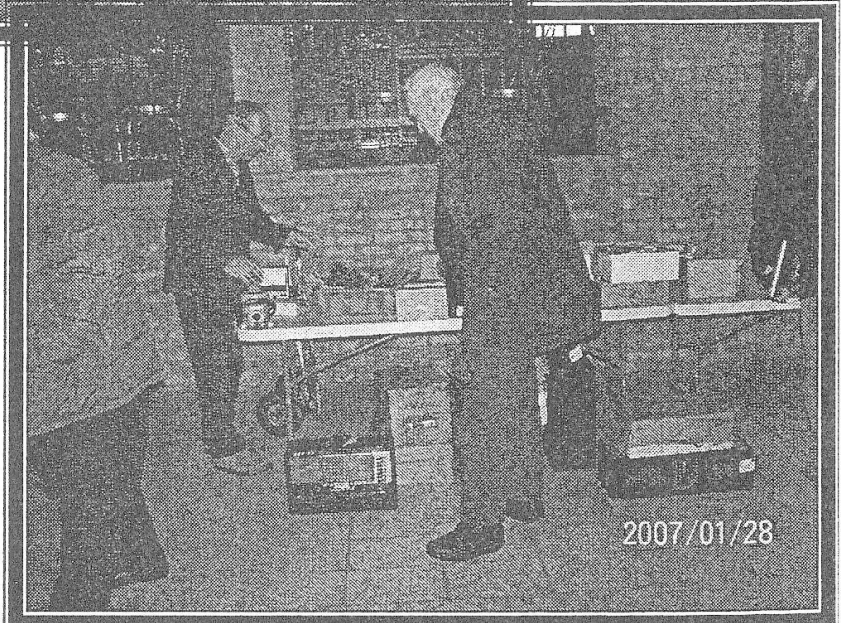
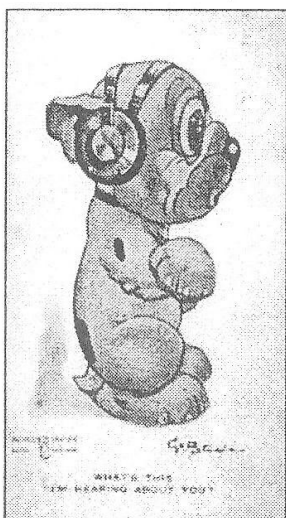
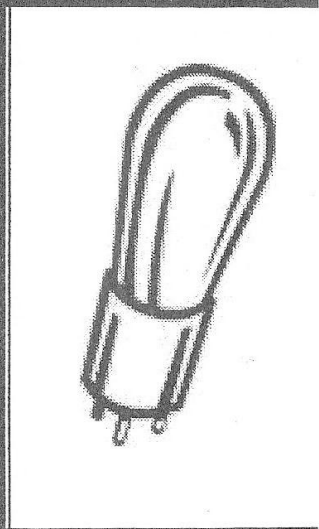
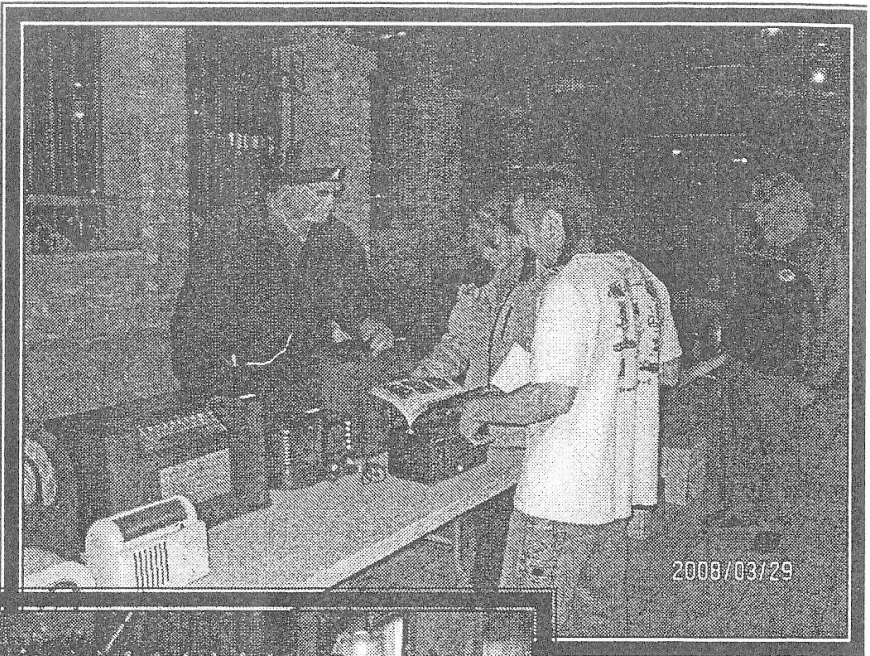
After the war, Iva Toguri was convicted of treason and imprisoned, released early for good behavior. In the 1970s a public campaign brought to light the testimony of the



POWs who worked with her and supported her story. Eventually (1977) she was pardoned by President Gerald Ford, and early in 2006, the same year she died, she was given the Edward J. Herlihy Citizenship Award by the World War II Veterans Committee.

*Information obtained from Tokyo Rose: Iva Ikuko Toguri D'Aquino [www.womenshistory.about.com](http://www.womenshistory.about.com) by Jone Johnson Lewis*

# Where Were You?



# Wisconsin Antique Radio Club Members

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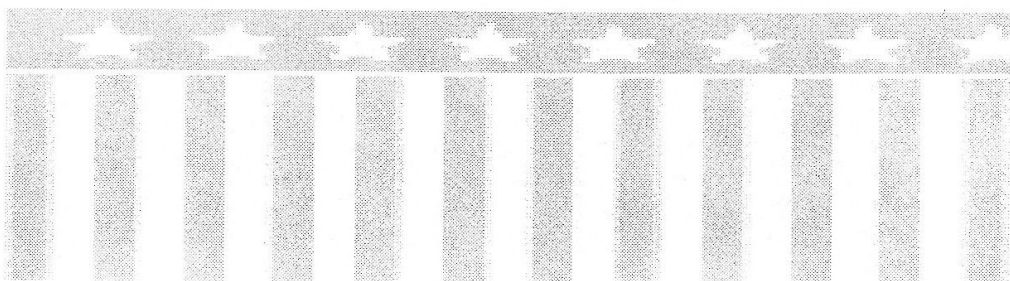
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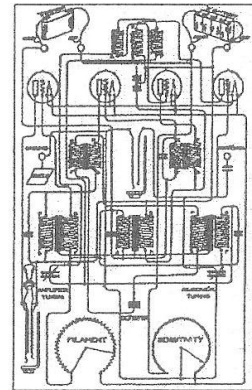
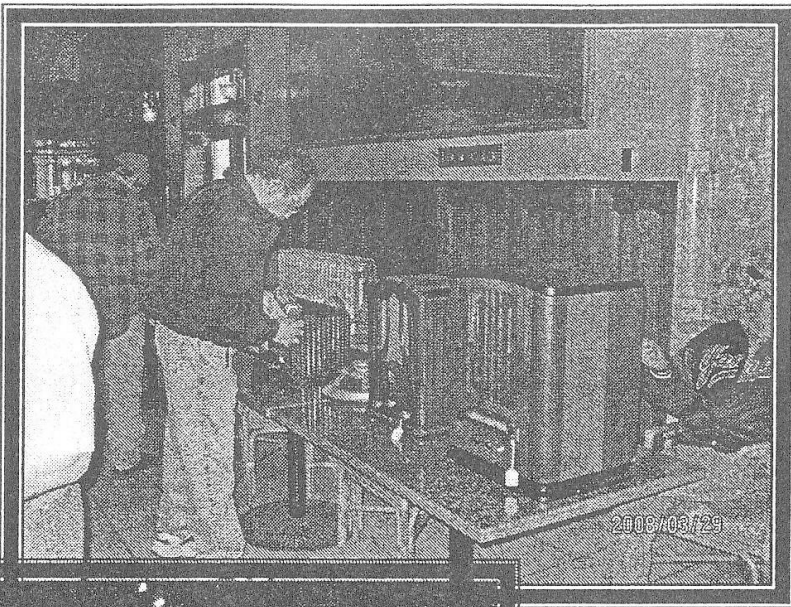
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# WI Swap Meets



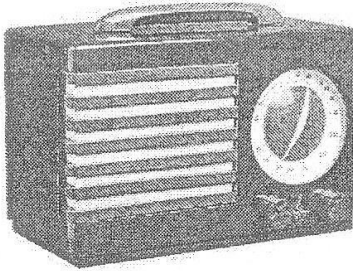
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# USO Upcoming Events!!

## ARCI – Antique Radio Club of Illinois



10/5/08 Outdoor Swapmeet 7AM-11AM

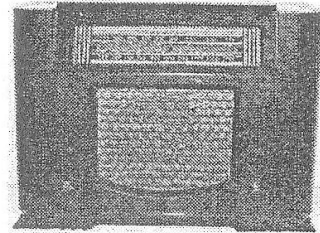
12/14/08 Indoor Swap Meet 7AM-11AM  
American Legion Hall- Carol Stream, IL

[www.antique-radios.org](http://www.antique-radios.org)



## Michigan Antique Radio Club

11/8/08 Michigan ARC - Kalamazoo, MI  
1/31/09 Michigan ARC-Farmington Hills, MI

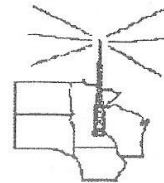
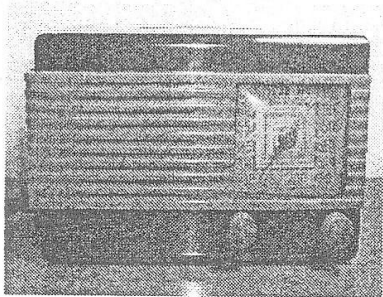


[www.michiganantiqueradio.org](http://www.michiganantiqueradio.org)

## NARC – Northland Antique Radio Club

10/18/08 - Annual Indoor Fall Swap Meet  
West St. Paul, MN

[www.geocities.com/northland.geo](http://www.geocities.com/northland.geo)



# 2008-2009 Swap Meets!



*This is America..*

... where you can listen to your radio in your living room -- not in a hideout. Where you are free to hear both sides of a question and form your own opinion. This is your America

*... Keep it Free!*

**Where:** The Landmark 1850  
5917 S. Howell Ave.  
Milwaukee, WI (near airport)

**When:** October 12, 2008  
January 25, 2009  
March 29, 2009  
May 10, 2009  
July 19, 2009  
October 11, 2009

**Time:** 7AM to 11AM  
(All Meets)

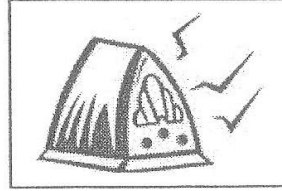
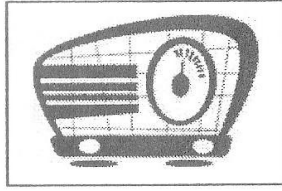
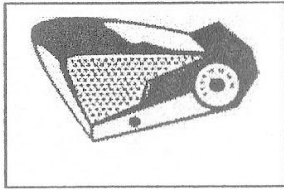
**Questions? Call or E-Mail:**  
Bill Engaas [REDACTED]

**We want to  
hear from you!**

Have Photos, Ideas,  
Tips you would like to  
share with other  
Antique Radio buffs?  
Contact Ben Bensaïd  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]



# Got Something to Sell? Advertise Here!!!!



Contact Ben Bensaid to Place an Ad at [REDACTED]

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Grand Price!**  
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**A Genuine Armstrong Regenerative  
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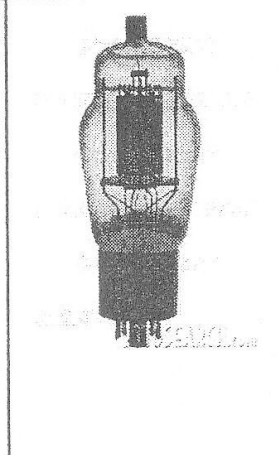
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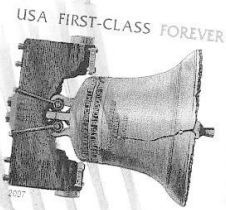
It was "fully 50 per cent more sensitive than any other known form of detector" (Bulletin U. S. Bureau of Standards, Vol. 6, No. 4, Page 540).

It is now even more efficient.



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