## PLEASE NOTE-THIS NEWSLETTER INCLUDES:

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2020 DUES ARE DUE! IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH MEETING THEN PLEASE:

MAIL \$30 DUES TO BILL SWEET, THANKS!

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

MEETING NOTICE - Sunday, March 15th 1:00PM-5:00PM Stephen Merryweather, Southwest Corner of Highland Ave and State St (RT 31), Elgin IL

Directions to Highland Ave and State St (RT 31), Elgin, IL: <a href="http://tiny.cc/e4mwkz">http://tiny.cc/e4mwkz</a>







Meeting is at Stephen Merryweather's warehouse/workshop location at the southwest corner of Highland Ave and RT 31 in Elgin, IL. Going westbound on Highland Ave or turning west from State St (RT 31) the building parking entrance is the very first left turn on Highland Ave west of RT 31. There is parking for about 12-15 cars at the building with signs and arrows to direct you once parked. The parking area for the building is on

the south side of Highland Ave (E-W street) just west of State St (RT 31). Directly across the street on the north side of Highland Ave is a free municipal parking lot listed as 220 W. Highland Ave, Elgin, IL.





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MARCH MEETING-Sunday, March 15th, 1:00PM-5:00PM, Stephen Merryweather

For March, we are meeting up again with Stephen Merryweather at his workshop/warehouse location in Elgin. To quote Stephen from his Meetup profile, "I have been strongly interested in audio for 45 years or so. I have been a musician, sound engineer, studio owner, speaker builder, music collector, and all round madman for a long time." Stephen is a skilled carpenter and woodworker and builds his own horn, open-baffle, and high-efficiency speakers and will have a number on hand to demo.

Speakers on hand will include Altec Valencia's, Tannoy Golds, and RCA LC-1's all in custom horn-loaded cabinets by Stephen, as well as Stephen's updated open-baffle design. There will be a room for seating for 6 at a time in one area and some of the larger horns will be set up in a large woodworking room with seating for about 10-12 listeners. In the smaller listening area, a restored Infinity FET hybrid amplifier 700 watt Class A amplifier will be featured. There will be additional chairs setup about midway in an area for those who want to talk and hang out.

Source material will be disc, so do bring along your favorite music tracks on CD to listen to.

PLEASE NOTE: This is a warehouse type location, not residential. There are 3 floors of warehouse stairs to climb. There is parking for about 12-15 cars in the area by the entrance of the building and plenty of additional free parking in the adjacent lot on the northwest corner of Highland and State (Rt 31) directly across the street (see directions above).

Stephen's speakers and designs are available-consult with Stephen. Everyone had a great time at Stephen's last get together in September, 2016 and this promises to be the same, but in a large warehouse location offering a unique experience.

## AXPONA 2020 is here! www.axpona.com

AXPONA 2020 will again be at the Schaumburg Convention Center (with FREE PARKING) from Friday, April 17 through Sunday, April 19. AXPONA has become one of the largest audiophile shows in the U.S with this year featuring over 200 rooms from hundreds of manufacturers, seminars, and included live evening entertainment featuring Rickie Lee Jones and Toronzo Canyon. No audiophile in our area should miss this.

The Chicago Audio Society will have our table in the Expo Hall-stop by to say hello.

AXPONA is offering a \$5 discount (\$45 total for 3 days) to the Chicago Audio Society for a 3 day pass to the show. Promo code is valid only on new registrations and may not be used on previous purchases. Promo code may not be used for Gold Pass. This link will auto-populate the discount code:

https://www.showclix.com/event/axpona-2020/tag/CHIA2020

Goldstar, the discount online ticket site is also offering discounted Single Day Passes for AXPONA for \$16.50 each (price is including service fees). The \$7 tickets have already sold out.. As these tickets are specified for a Single Day Pass, you are on your own if you choose to purchase multiple Single Day Passes as to whether that works out or not for additional days. For anyone planning on going for just one day this is the way to go.

To purchase, go to:

https://www.goldstar.com/events/schaumburgil/axpona-audio-expo-north-america-tickets

Single day tickets for students (with ID) age 15-25 are \$10. All children 14 and under are free with an adult ticket, but need a ticket. These tickets can be ordered at: <a href="https://www.showclix.com/event/axpona-2020">https://www.showclix.com/event/axpona-2020</a>