

MEETING NOTICE - Sunday, April 17th, 2 PM - 5 PM

**Arlington Heights Historical Society
Arlington Room, 110 W. Fremont
Arlington Heights, IL For directions go to:
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**APRIL MEETING--PACIFIC VALVE--WHAT'S UP WITH DIGITAL
PLAYBACK?
(A LARGE OVERVIEW AND LISTENING COMPARISON OF THE LATEST
IN DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY)**

**We are happy to welcome back Pacific Valve (www.pacificvalve.us)
who will present a large overview and listening comparison of the latest
in digital technology including their DACs, their diskless Cyberserver
and tube amplification. The speakers will be the Rethm Saadhanas (www.rethm.com)
supplied to us by Joe Jurzec at Jamn Audio (www.jamnaudio.com).
The speakers are 98db efficiency and use a
dual cabinet design with an active bass system and a Lowther driver.**

**This certainly is a "don't miss" meeting to hear at one time and place the
digital technologies that are shaping music reproduction now and in the
future. There will be a variety of digital playback scenarios to allow you
to see (and hear!) for yourself what is best. It will be a structured
presentation but members are encouraged to bring CDs and even a DAC
to audition.**

Here is what Pacific Valve will have on hand:

On the Analogue Menu:

**The Ming Da MD 75 w/ Shuguang Treasure Tubes, Bada Purer 3.3 w/ 6189 Tubes,
Audio gd C3 Preamp, Bada Speaker Cables, Xindak Speaker Cables, Bada Power
Cords and Conditioning, Audio gd Power Cords, Audio gd Power filter.**

On the Digital Menu to Analogue Menu:

**The Musiland MD 10 Modified, Pacific Valve Brigatta, Lite Dac 83 Modified, HiTech
Young Dac, Audio gd NFB-8 DAC, Terdak Chameleon DAC, Musiland MD 11 DAC.**

On the Digital Source Menu:

Toshiba PC, USB connection, Musiland Monitor 02 USB -> S/PDIF converter, Pacific Valve CyberMini Modified, Pacific Valve Transport, Lite CD 21 Transport Modified, Pacific Valve CyberServer with latest release of firmware v. 1.5.

Flotsam and Jetsam

A true / false session will get us thinking about digital truths and fallacies.

Demo # 1 – Sources

A selection of 44.1, 96K and 192K sampled music will be played through these sources:

- 1. USB to DAC**
- 2. USB to Musiland Monitor 02 using foobar with Monitor 02 drivers**
- 3. Cyber Mini**
- 4. CD Transport**
- 5. CyberServer**

Demo # 2 – Ripping Music

Steeley Dan's Gaucho will be played on CyberServer using:

- 1. Microsoft rip copied CD to CyberServer**
- 2. iTunes rip copied to Cyberserver**
- 3. EAC ripped copied to CyberServer**
- 4. CD Transport**
- 5. HD Tracks 96K version on CyberServer**

Demo # 3

CyberServer Demo.

A sampling of DACs will be played through CyberServer. Please feel free to bring your own DAC to hear the difference.

Demo # 4

Please bring some CDs. If there is time, we can rip them using EAC and play them back.

See you all this Sunday promptly at 2PM!

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