

MEETING NOTICE - Sunday, December 7th, 2 PM - 5 PM

Please note! This month's meeting is being held at:

Edge Audio Video
130 S. Northwest Highway
Palatine, IL
847-776-8888
<http://www.edgeaudiovideo.com>

DECEMBER MEETING

We are having a special off-site holiday meeting at Edge Audio Video in Palatine featuring Martin Cooper from Wadia demonstrating their unique i170 audiophile Ipod interface as well as their other fine digital products. The i170 utilizes an Apple signal that disables the DAC and analog electronics in the Ipod allowing only the digital data stream which is available at a coax output to any existing audiophile DAC. With lossless music data files (Apple or Windows) this enables the iPod to have sound quality capability competitive with the finest digital transports. The cost--\$379!

In addition, Bill McKiegan, National Sales Manager from Krell will be on hand to review their latest stereo and home theater components.

Edge Audio has a number of very attractive listening rooms (as a review of their website will show) featuring speakers such as the Verity Parsifal and the new Klipsh Palladium line. They will also be providing refreshments at the meeting. Do check out the website- <http://www.edgeaudiovideo.com>

Those who own an iPod, especially with lossless files, are strongly encouraged to bring it along. And of course bring along your favorite music on CD.

See you all this Sunday!

NOVEMBER MEETING RECAP

We were delighted to have Paul McGowan from PS Audio (www.psaudio.com) return and demonstrate their new Perfect Wave Transport memory player and Perfect Wave DAC. For a full preview of these products please go to the links below:

<http://www.psaudio.com/newsletters/9-08.asp>

<http://www.psaudio.com/newsletters/10-08.asp>

<http://www.psaudio.com/newsletters/11-08.asp>

These products utilize both memory for the digital data (only done on a handful of units to date) and the I2S interface to directly send the digital data.

Our thanks to Audio Consultants (www.audioconsultants.com), a PS Audio dealer, and our member Mark Malboeuf for supplying the Magnepan MG 3.6R speakers that were used for the meeting. Also thanks to Bill Sweet for the use of his Herron Audio monoblocks.

Paul gave a great technical presentation about digital audio data, reproduction, how it works, and the challenges involved. At one point he asked if this was getting too "geeky" and was met with a resounding "No! You're in the right place!"

After getting the Magnepans reasonably acclimated to our angled rear walls we had a good sound that allowed the potential of the components to come through. The Perfect Wave Transport and DAC are scheduled to be available around February 2009.

Our thanks to Paul McGowan, his sales manager Ryan, as well as his Midwest rep Brian Tucker for a most educational and enjoyable meeting. Paul has offered to return next year and needless to say, we will take him up on the offer!

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