Subject: WHERE THE HELL IS EVERYBODY??????
Posted by BillEpstein on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 00:39:03 GMT
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Wayne, did you get the Hallicrafters?George, have you got the new speakers up?Bmar, I know where you are, in the laboratory with Abby, abby-normal.I'm going to visit Speakerman 57 next week, hopefully MikeBake will be there.I keep seeing everyone all the time on H.E. and Bottlehead Forum but this is OURS.And Wayne, you will be at Lima next April, right? Shoot, we had people from freakin Thailand and you can't travel from Tulsa?Okay, the medication kicked in.

Subject: Re: ahhh.....
Posted by bmar on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 01:03:40 GMT
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arisen from the laboratory. where do all these wires go?wife just got back from DC from a conference. had to do some catching up. I think I have to go out of the country in Dec for business. kind of a hectic time as it is with out travel. Got a "asleep at the wheel" live cd. its HDCD and sounds great. good thing the needle doesn't wear out on the cd player.I'm ready for MAF in Lima. wife had me book a room already! should be a fun time with good tunes and good people. Ciao,Bill

Subject: i'm still up!
Posted by replay on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 02:27:20 GMT
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till, how the hell are you? bmar's almost finished my cabinets and i just spoke with wayne. everythings cool. i just picked up a vintage empire turntable. it's a beauty. i think the cartridge is shot as the sound i'm hearing resembles bate's system in lima. no high's just lotsa lows. anyway's it looks trick and i really like the simplicity and build quality. vinyl rocks!see you in lima,georgemusic is best enjoyed with a good steak, vintage cabernet and a fat cigar.

Subject: Cigars
Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 02:48:07 GMT
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Oh, damn!I looooooove cigars!Damn!I quit last year too.DAMN!See, I had quit smoking once, and sustained it for five years. Then my brother got married and I thought to myself, "what the hell, you don't inhale." I know, it sounds like a politician talking about pot or something.But anyway, I smoked the cigar, loved it and bought a bunch more. Then I was buying them buy the box. Then mail order. Then all out smoking again.So here I've quit for over a year now, things are fine. But I still love cigars...I'm not gonna smoke one though, but maybe I'll take deep breaths when others do.DAMN!

Subject: We're here!
Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 02:58:01 GMT
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I didn't get the Hallicrafters radio, and I was thinking about it every minute after you sent that link. I was listening to my TransOceanic late at night, after the bidding closed, and wishing I had been here to bid on it. But I was out at the car shop running transmission cooler lines and stuff. I just let the time slip by; Too many things to do and too little time.

Subject: Re: Cigars
Posted by replay on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 03:19:49 GMT
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i've got lots of cubans. monte cristo, cohiba, partagas and more. indulge!georgemusic is best enjoyed with a good steak, vintage cabernet and a fat cigar.

Subject: Re: Cigars
Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 03:31:31 GMT
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Cubans are the best! I like Russian cigarattes too.Hey, do you ever happen to listen to the Art Bell show?

Subject: Re: Cigars
Posted by replay on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 03:42:38 GMT
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i'm listening to jazz on my pi's right now. art bell is carried on AM640 in toronto. he's on the air now. i'll listen to him if i'm in the car late at night. jazz sounds much better on the pi's!cheers,georgemusic is best enjoyed with a good steak, vintage cabernet and a fat cigar.

Subject: Re: Cigars
Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 03:56:40 GMT
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Sometimes I like my music, sometimes I like talk radio or shortwave. But I always like cigars...Damn!

Subject: Re: WHERE THE HELL IS EVERYBODY??????
Posted by BillEpstein on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 08:07:45 GMT
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That's more like it.I've shuffled the speaker deck. The 2 Pi's are in the Home Theatre where they can break in with 60 solid waste movie watts. Those piezos really do dialogue well. Saw "The Sum Of All Fears" which was okay but how come the villains became Nazis instead of Ay-rabs? And is Affleck supposed to be the new Harrison Ford? He can't act, either. And in the book, the bomb is a fizzle; here the movie is the the bomb!The JBL 3677 cabs with 2226J woofers from the 4648 'coffee table' are in the living room in place of the 4Pi's. Had them hooked to the Paramours for awhile. Very clean and airy but not quite right. Then, Tuesday, the ca. '73 Fisher Radio 30 watt receiver showed up that I bought for $60 on Audiogon. Wow! I had a little 15 watt model 201 all thru college and the sound was just what I remembered: not much on top but nice mids and bass. Good phono stage, too. The JBL likes the power and those 30 watts give me 3 volume settings: 7:00=late nite classical guitar, 8:00=loud orchestral and 9:00= call the police!Been listening to all 6 of my LP's. Switching back and forth between the SACD 'Blood, Sweat and Tears" and the vinyl version. And the Redbook CD, 'Clapton Unplugged'. Funny, I have about the same investment in the Sony 775 and the re-built AR-XA but somehow the comparison doesn't seem fair.Vinyl is smooth and relaxed with somewhat more 'holographic' imaging than the SACD. And more detail than you might think. But there is more musical information with the digital disc and it shows.I do prefer the SACD. Wish the old lady next door would go away for an hour so I could crank up the Saint-Saens Symphony #3 on the turntable. An RCA Red Seal re-issue. The Munch, Boston performance.A Richard Mohr, Lewis Layton production.The 4Pi's are sitting quietly in the corner awaiting the re-build of the left channel Paramour which I tore apart last night. When that's done, or before as Indian Summer is here now, I'll take the 4Pi's outside to the patio, strip off the wrinkly

veneer and clean the glue mess with acetone. Ugh! Then re-do the veneer and finish them with a secret color finish. Cigars? It's 1 year ago today that I quit smoking. Cigarettes, that is. Used to smoke cigars in my other life. Partagas #2 by the box from Mike's Cigars on Arthur Godfrey Rd on Miami Beach. In between Marlboros.

Subject: western swing ain't dead!
Posted by Sam P. on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 11:35:41 GMT
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Been listening to Ray Benson and gang for many years. I was heartbroken to discover he was originally from Filthadelphia, but he made up for it by living in Paw Paw, WVA, and then finally moving to Austin :) Sam

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Subject: Re: western swing ain't dead!
Posted by bmar on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 12:37:33 GMT
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Hi Sam,Yeah I love this suff. (amoung others) It has a big full sound to it.got any other recommendations? Mark Knopfler did an album as the notting hillbillies. that was pretty good too.Bill

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Subject: Re: WHERE THE HELL IS EVERYBODY??????
Posted by mikebake on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 12:55:54 GMT
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Well, the tent sale JBL 2245 eighteens are now in 8 cu ft cabs, courtesy of Dale Gernert (Robert G on the JBL forum) and he'll be delivering them next week. I'm psyched. I'll be going the bmar route, with 3115's set in horizontal mode on top of the sub cabs. That will represent my "compact" system; har! My problem is the ROOM. I still don't have the right place for the big stuff. I've seriously been looking for someplace to rent just to put the system in; some good, big room not far from the house. Right now, there is an office in the warehouse down the road, where I will set things up for awhile to dial things in. Probably leave it there for a few months, free up space at home, and allow me to run down on lunch hours for some jams. Dale is an interesting dude; I need to find out more of his background, but when it comes to JBL stuff, he's got the knowledge. He is on speaking terms with Greg Timbers, JBL designer who concocted JBL's flagship

statement speakers over the years. (who knows, maybe he'll come to MAF.....) He confered with Greg on issues during the building of the subs. He is a bit of a perfectionist. I went with the plain flat black utility cabs, since the rest of the stuff already looks that way. I'll add corners, grills, and casters, for my usual hybrid approach of home audio and pro audio. That when when next years backyard party needs extra low end oomph, out they come!! Cigars? Hmmmmm, always try them, like some of them, don't like the 24 hr aftertaste.

Subject: Congratulations!
Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 19:01:55 GMT
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Congratulations on one year of not smoking!

Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 19:14:16 GMT
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Your 2245 subs are gonna be killer! When they're in 8-10 cubic feet tuned to 30Hz, they're my favorite subteranean source!!!By the way, thanks for keeping me posted on the room situation in

Except for Duemm. He'll be taunting us with those cigars! :-)))

Posted by bmar on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 21:11:01 GMT
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I'm ready for a big fat cigar right now!

Subject: Well, here, there, and everywhere....
Posted by Garland on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 21:12:08 GMT

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Guys, My Studio 2 Pi's and 1 Pi's are on hold while I work with Dave Cope on his Quasi Pi 3 ways with passive /active/ ? crossovers and Tads and JBL's and Eminence or now it's Tad C.drivers in Martinelli horns. Also, I'm rewiring an old Heathkit amp and playing with different coupling caps in the Paramours and wondering if I like the Alpha Core coils in the Theater 4's and buying the parts to scratch-build a Soul Sister preamp (killer)! Trouble is I haven't had a chance to really listen to music in a really relaxing way in weeks! Having fun, though. BTW, my wife just asked what I want for my birthday in a week! What do I say? any ideas? Hee Haw!Garland

Subject: MikeBake; how do I make sure I get a room?
Posted by BillEpstein on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 21:50:52 GMT
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Subject: Big full sound
Posted by LuxmanLover on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 22:48:37 GMT
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If your into a big full sound check out Big Sugar....there "Heated" cd is very rich. My personal fav.Kelly

Subject: It's easy, guys!
Posted by mikebake on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 23:11:49 GMT
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You're connected with THE MAN! Your wish is my command. Pi will rule a corner of the Wingate World.....

Subject: yes, I have ideas
Posted by mikebake on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 23:23:29 GMT
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but we shouldn't discuss such things on the forum.....

Subject: The whole town
Posted by mikebake on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 23:25:58 GMT
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is a non-smoking section, since we have a nearby refinery to do the job for us.....

Subject: We had Asleep at the Wheel
Posted by mikebake on Fri, 08 Nov 2002 23:29:04 GMT
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many moons ago to do a big outdoor event in Lima (actually, right outside the venue where MAF is held, in the square) and it was one of the most enjoyable musical nights I've had.....we had a blast.....seems like it was in the mid 80's.....

Subject: Re: It's easy, guys!
Posted by bmar on Sat, 09 Nov 2002 00:35:38 GMT
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You "are" The Man! maybe the year after we can go for the whole top floor!

Subject: Re: Big full sound
Posted by bmar on Sat, 09 Nov 2002 00:38:27 GMT
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Kelly,I'll have to give them a listen.

Subject: Re: Well, here, there, and everywhere....
Posted by DRC on Mon, 11 Nov 2002 11:22:43 GMT
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Garland,It's a shame you don't like this DIY stuff much! ;-) Keep your ears and your mind open.
