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February 2015 Update

Well, February is starting off with quite a bang, or for us audiophiles, a "crash of cymbals with just the right shimmer and a breath-stopping trailing decay that goes on forever" may be a more appropriate metaphor.

First, and on a sad note, the audiophile community worldwide celebrates the life of Joe Grado, who just passed away at 90 years old. Joe will be forever remembered as a founding father of high-end audio. For many of us, in our early audiophile life, hearing music being reproduced with Grado cartridges and/or headphones was the entry point to our hobby. We're forever thankful, Joe. Rest in peace.



Next, some exciting news: the SFAS/SFJAZZ collaboration has been highlighted on Stereophile.com in an article by Jason Victor Serinus. Please see our [Blog](#) for the whole story.

Our next event, the February 21st DAC Smackdown, is almost sold out. Please don't wait if you want to attend. The good news (for you) is that in addition to the fun and informative head to head comparison of popular DACs, we have some special guests attending that will make this event even more interesting! Click here to [register](#).

The bad news (for me) is that I will not be able to join you in all the fun we have planned for the DAC Smackdown. The event falls on my wife's birthday, and I am whisking her off to a quiet retreat for the weekend. No cell service, no internet, just hot springs, good rest and walks in nature.

Stay tuned for more good things coming up...

Cheers,
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