

A STRAIGHTFORWARD INVESTMENT REPORT FEATURING VALUE AND GROWTH-ORIENTED STOCK-PICKS, FINANCIAL NEWS, MONEY TIPS AND INSIGHTS FOR INVESTORS.

Dollar Declines

Despite all the efforts of government officials in Washington, evidence suggests that the dollar is in a permanent state of decline. More often, world currencies seem to be raising against the dollar on world currency markets. This has implications for us in the short term (more expensive imports, more affordable exports), but it also may have an impact on the dollar's role as the world's primary currency.

Over the past few decades, central banks world-wide have clamored to use the dollar as their base currency, and have held it in their national vaults, similar to gold in the past. Recently, we've seen a dramatic trend away from the dollar as the central unit of measure. The Euro has been rising recently, especially among central bankers in nations like China, Russia, and Japan. This alone isn't worrisome, but if the trend continues, and the dollar continues to fall, it is increasingly likely that these nations will abandon the dollar all together.

As we have previously advised, our dollar's value on international currency markets (and at home) has been held up somewhat artificially by the efforts of nations like China to accumulate huge sums of the U.S. currency to bolster their own economies. Now, as other alternatives become increasingly attractive to them, they are reducing their holdings of dollars. Independently, this isn't a problem, but when many nations move away from the dollar, as it is already falling, we risk



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Keeping those New Year Resolutions on the Path to Success

It's about a month since you made your promises: to lose weight, spend less, invest more, and pay off those credit cards. This newsletter will leave you alone on any health related issues. But when it comes to financial things, hey, it's our job to interfere!

New Year resolutions sometimes seem burdensome for those who have made them. So much so, that many people stop making resolutions shortly after they start. After all, they propose, we're never going to keep them anyway.

Such a dour attitude is not the way of the successful. However, making unreasonable promises, also, doesn't put one on the path to success. Since we're now reaching that time of year when the difficulties begin to show up in keeping resolutions, it's a good time to take stock of our commitments.

Think about why you committed to saving more, spending less, investing, etc. Was it because you wanted to make your life unbearable? Or instead, did you have your own best future at heart? If that's

the case, then keeping firm in your commitments is not only a virtue, it's a gift to your future self. I can't speak for anyone else, but my future self is someone that I want to see happy. I'm still thankful for the gifts that I received from my past self, who was savvy enough to save money and invest 15 years ago, so that I could have some extra money now. If you keep your future self in mind, sticking to those commitments isn't so hard after all.

However, reasonable hurdles are the ones you're most likely to achieve. Promising yourself that you'll pay off your \$30,000 in credit card debt by June on an income of only \$50,000 per year is not only silly, it is mathematically impossible. If you're accustomed to making promises to yourself that you simply can't keep, it's not

wonder that the resolution process has you frustrated. A better goal is to pay off one credit card while keeping all the others from rising. And for investments, making a plan to start with \$50,000 probably means that you aren't going to start. Instead, make a plan this year to start (with \$1623.46, if that's what you can do), and make next year's New Year's resolution focus on growing that to a higher level. Getting started is the first, and often the hardest, step. Don't give up on starting out, just because you've set your target too high. Instead, move down to a reasonable target, and get things going in the right direction. You can worry about increasing the pace later if you think it's possible. Meanwhile, your money is working for you, and you're on track to success.

Remember, success is not a one-day event. It's a long path, and likelihood of reaching your destination isn't determined by how fast you go. It's determined by staying on the right path, and continuing on.

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becoming the only holders of a currency fallen from grace. If the dollar's fall begins to accelerate, the move away from it as a store of value will also speed up, and the slow decline could become a freefall.

Of course, that is the worst scenario, and isn't necessarily the one we will face. However, evidence suggests that this scenario is increasingly likely. Just as our currency is losing "currency" in the minds of the world's central bankers, our own government is unable to bring spending under control. The double whammy of extra dollars coming back to us from abroad, coupled with extra dollars being pumped into the economy by a wild-eyed spending-frenzied congress (and executive), seems sure to spell INFLATION. While we've not seen all the typical signs of inflation, we have seen some commodity price increases and rising real estate prices (up until this past summer). If commodities and real estate begin rising again, this may be a sign that inflation is here to stay. Also, prices of many goods have been on an uptrend, countered only by cheap imports from China, India, Chile, et.al. If the protectionist forces of John Edwards get their way, we'll stop those cheap imports, and the real bite

of inflation will truly be felt.

This tells us that we need to keep a very broad focus on our investing outlook. Most major investing conferences are focused on investing in markets beyond our own borders. If inflation takes hold, U.S. investing opportunities will weaken, growth potential will be dampened, and the return needed to break even on a real money basis will increase. Those who invested in the 1970's probably remember what I mean. Younger folks will have a few lessons to learn.

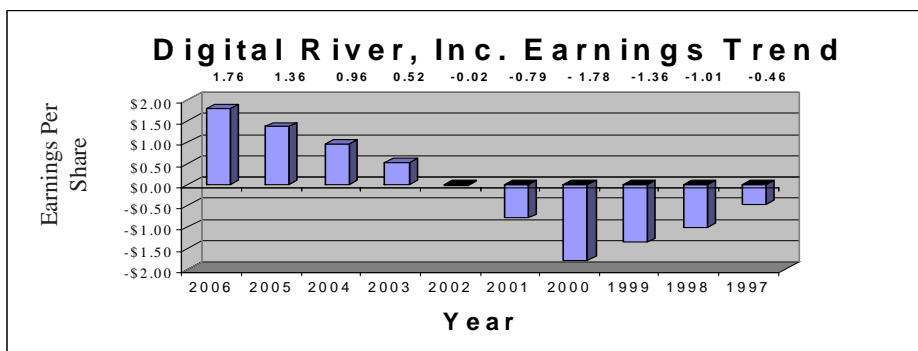
To avoid this we invest where the dollar is not the major unit of currency. This includes U.S. multinationals (Coke, AFLAC, Caterpillar), and foreign companies who aren't primarily dependent on the U.S. market (Tata Motors, Nokia, Nestle). In the past, most of the world would have depended on U.S. markets to build their sales, and many companies still do, but that number is falling. Today, with talk of a new Asian trading bloc forming, and increasing sales within their own regions, Asian, Australian, and even European companies are less and less dependent on U.S. sales to survive. Some individual companies, like the IT outsourcing firms in India, are highly

dependent on a robust U.S. economy. But, others are able to survive a U.S. downturn, despite the heavily globalized economy.

Naturally, we hope that the U.S. will avoid an unnecessary decline. However, as investors, our job is not to be cheerleaders for the economy, but to maintain principle regardless of the economy we face. Thus, a wise investor must be heavily diversified overseas. Having all your eggs in one basket is a foolhardy way to invest, even if that basket is the good ol' U.S.A. I can't say it strongly enough: the epitome of wisdom in today's economy is to diversify internationally. Standard policy advises having at least 10-15% invested overseas. However, I have moved into another camp where I find many top investment analysts in this country. We advocate having something closer to 50% of your portfolio outside the U.S. This is purely rational, considering more than 50% of the world's equity now resides in companies outside the U.S., and that portion is growing faster than the local equity markets.

So, our sincerest advice for the New Year is to re-evaluate your provincial focus, and look beyond the borders. You'll be surprised what you see!

Our Top Stock Pick: DRIV



Digital River is leading builder and manager of online business sites especially for software firms and other high-tech products companies. The company's services include online store design, development, hosting, fraud and export control management, order and tax coordination, downloadable product delivery systems, physical product

fulfillment, and multi-lingual customer service, as well as various analytics, reporting, and optimization functions.

Digital River reported earnings that were down by GAAP measures, but up after adding back acquisition-based intangibles amortization expenses, and excluding one-time tax benefits, all on sales that increased by 35%. The company

announced a \$9.4 million charge for options accounting corrections dating back to 2002. Overall, we are confident that DRIV will continue to grow.

Net earnings for the 4th quarter were widely reported as having dropped. Of course, as we discussed, taking a closer look at the books finds that the company actually reported a healthy rise in earnings, after adjustments. Thus, viewing DRIV as an incredible growth opportunity is the right approach. We've seen earnings rising at an astounding clip over the past few years, while uninformed news stories keep the stock's price out of the stratosphere. Sales growth has been phenomenal and consistent over the past decade. With earnings growth constantly in the double digits, and sales growth backing that up, we're willing to pay the slightly higher price that these shares require. We find the P/E quite low for a company growing as fast as this one does. We're happy to take this opportunity to buy before the rest of the investor community realizes what a bargain these shares truly are.

VALUE VIEWFINDER

THESE STOCKS APPEAR TO BE BELOW REASONABLE VALUATIONS, BASED ON EXPECTED FUTURE GROWTH. BUT UNLIKE MANY STOCK-PICKERS WHO DIVIDE STOCKS INTO "GROWTH" OR "VALUE" PICKS, WE BELIEVE GROWTH OUTLOOK IS A PRIME FACTOR FOR DETERMINING VALUE. THEY MAY NOT ALWAYS SHOW IMMEDIATE RESULTS, BUT SHOULD PROVIDE OUTSTANDING RETURNS IN THE LONG-RUN.

Stock	Symbol	Price	Earnings	P/E	Gr. Est.	Yld.	Recommend
Alpha Natural Resources	ANR	\$14.05	\$1.34	10.5	10%	0.0%	Speculative Buy
Asta Funding	ASFI	\$30.33	\$3.13	9.7	15%	0.5%	Buy Aggressively
FirstFed Financial	FED	\$61.43	\$7.64	8.0	10%	0.0%	Speculative Buy
Grey Wolf	GW	\$6.71	\$0.91	7.4	15%	0.0%	Speculative Buy
Jos. A Bank Clothiers	JOSB	\$30.64	\$2.02	15.2	16%	0.0%	Buy Aggressively
Technical Olympic	TOA	\$9.94	\$4.12	2.4	10%	0.6%	Speculative Buy
Telefonos de Mexico	TMX	\$30.79	\$2.39	12.9	12%	2.3%	Buy
UTEK Corp.	UTK	\$11.15	\$1.58	7.1	20%	0.0%	Speculative Buy

Alpha Natural Resources is a new entry for Value View. Plain and simple, it is a coal miner. Headquartered in Virginia, and founded in 2002, the company mines in the surrounding 4-state area, and also operates a highway construction firm in West Virginia. Unseasonably warm weather and lower coal prices brought this stock down from the mid-20's last year, and a mining disaster at one of their mines where lives were lost pushed shares down further. We believe the company is emphasizing safety more since the disaster, and recent weather has been anything but warm. The

stock seems to have hit a bottom around 12, and we're seeing the beginnings of a nice rise. We're optimistic about these shares, even in the longer term, as increasing demand for fossil fuels has caused coal miners to see dramatically higher profits lately. We'd buy at these levels for price appreciation and possible growth.

Asta Funding continues to report outstanding earnings. Management is downplaying the level of success, but there is no indication that the success won't continue. Competition in the industry from hedge funds and new entrants is expected

to challenge the ease of buying debt. Asta has successfully made it through difficult stages before, and their experience should provide a cushion against competition. We're still buying.

While we have concerns about the real estate lending market, **FirstFed Financial** appears to be too good a buy to pass up. Earnings continue to rise and beat estimates, as the company moves toward reselling more of its loans. Shares currently sell at quite a low multiple, and if earnings don't thoroughly collapse, investors will find value here. If earnings continue to grow, this investment should pay off handsomely.

Jos. A Bank saw profits rise modestly in the 3rd quarter, topping forecasts. We still find the shares attractive.

TelMex is trying to squelch a rumor that it might do a spin-off, separating

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DYNAMIC INSURGENTS

DYNAMIC INSURGENTS ENJOY A STRONG POSITION IN THEIR CHANGING FIELDS. POTENTIAL BLUE CHIPS OF THE FUTURE, THEY ARE RELATIVELY UNPROVEN AND OPERATE IN FAST-PACED INDUSTRIES. THESE ARE MOST APPROPRIATE FOR RISK-ORIENTED INVESTORS. CONSERVATIVE INVESTORS MAY WANT TO HOLD A SMALL POSITION IN SOME OF THESE POTENTIAL WORLD-BEATERS AS WELL.

Stock	Symbol	Price	Earnings	P/E	Gr. Est.	Recommendation
America Movil	AMX	\$46.85	\$2.22	21.1	20%	Nibble
Apollo Group	APOL	\$46.76	\$2.42	19.3	19%	Hold
Aspreva Pharmaceutical	ASPV	\$20.49	\$3.49	5.9	18%	Speculative Buy
Buffalo Wild Wings	BWLD	\$49.73	\$1.46	34.1	24%	Hold Loosely
Cephalon	CEPH	\$72.20	\$4.49	16.1	20%	Buy Aggressively
Collegiate Pacific	BOO	\$9.18	\$0.24	38.3	24%	Hold Loosely
Digital River	DRIV	\$54.56	\$1.79	30.5	25%	Buy Aggressively
eCollege.com	ECLG	\$17.56	\$0.36	48.8	25%	Harvest
First Advantage	FADV	\$21.42	\$1.12	19.1	28%	Nibble
J-2 Global Commun.	JCOM	\$24.94	\$0.97	25.7	24%	Nibble
Juniper Networks	JNPR	\$19.21	\$0.75	25.6	21%	Hold Loosely
Landec Corp.	LNDC	\$12.35	\$0.38	32.5	40%	Speculative Buy
Lincoln Educational Svcs.	LINC	\$12.02	\$0.75	16.0	18%	Inconclusive
Net 1 Ueps Technologies	UEPS	\$29.14	\$1.03	28.3	19%	Hold Tightly
NetGear Inc.	NTGR	\$26.73	\$1.15	23.2	19%	Hold Tightly
PetMed Express	PETS	\$12.81	\$0.58	22.1	21%	Inconclusive
Priceline.com	PCLN	\$45.59	\$1.95	23.4	20%	Nibble
Research In Motion	RIMM	\$134.21	\$2.47	54.3	23%	Harvest
Silicon Motion	SIMO	\$19.79	\$0.93	21.3	20%	Buy Aggressively
Syntax-Brilliant Corp.	BRLC	\$8.11	-\$0.03	na	27%	Speculative Buy
Tempur-Pedic	TPX	\$24.57	\$1.41	17.4	18%	Buy

Shares of **Apollo Group** rose soundly on earnings that, while lower, were ahead of estimates. Apollo also announced enrollment increases at the University of Phoenix, its largest school, and Axia College, and the company saw higher revenues. The company also announced the purchase in January of Insight Schools, a 600-student "cyber-high-school" in Washington State, which it hopes will become a feeder for its online college divisions. The entry into the high school market is not without risks, but we believe it is a wise move for the leader in online education. However, the company is still reporting earnings in unaudited statements, and SEC filings are still pending final conclusions. The company also noted that the required accounting changes would hurt prior results. Furthermore, competition in the online education marketplace is heating up as non-profits build their offerings, so profits from this lucrative line may diminish. All in all, the future for Apollo is still a bit cloudy, and we believe better opportunities remain elsewhere.

America Movil is backing out of its proposed deal to buy CANTV assets from Verizon. The Venezuelan company is now being nationalized by Hugo Chavez, so the purchase in conjunction with TelMex no longer looks appealing.

Buffalo Wild Wings continues to report outstanding same store sales growth of nearly 12%, in company-owned stores that make up the bulk of the company's operations. Some analysts worry, though, that fast rising feed prices will cause chicken prices to rise, and put pressure on margins.

Cephalon reported drug trial results for its Fentora drug that showed it to be effective in treating chronic nerve pain. The drug is currently in use for cancer pain, but the new use could boost sales significantly.

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ECollege is forecasting 20% revenue growth and 30% income increases for 2007.

First Advantage Corp. is projecting income of only about \$1.20 for 2007. The company recently purchased DataSec, a U.K.-based computer forensic service company, and R.E. Austin, Ltd, an employment screening firm in the same

country.

J2 Global also found option-related accounting errors, and may restate earnings from past periods.

Juniper Networks reported that it will take a \$900 million charge for options accounting errors, and the company's internal investigation found serious lapses in internal controls and questionable actions by former members of management. The company's most recent report says sales rose 4%, but the company still refuses to report earnings numbers until the investigation is finally finalized (promised now by March). While the sales growth figures beat estimates slightly, we don't find these numbers to be especially exciting, and in light of the other issues and the respectable share price, we're inclined to move away from Juniper at this time. Even the \$2 billion share buyback doesn't entice us. The risks simply outweigh the potential benefits, and better opportunities exist elsewhere.

Landec has signed two large agreements with Monsanto, first agreeing to sell its direct marketing and sales seed business Fielder's Choice Direct for \$50 million. In a separate agreement, Landec said it has entered into a five-year co-exclusive technology license and polymer supply agreement with Monsanto for the use of Landec's Intellicoat polymer seed coating technology. The two agreements are potentially worth more than \$70 million, and the company anticipates a large profit on the books for the upcoming quarter, and additional benefit from not carrying the losses of FCD in future earnings reports. The most recent quarter, however, allowed the company to merely reach breakeven, improving on a loss reported for the similar period last year. We believe this deal makes the shares more attractive.

Net 1 UEPS reported earnings up slightly on a non-GAAP basis. The company renewed government contracts, and inked a deal to establish a retail banking division designed to implement the company's wage payment system for the unbanked. The company also has new agreements in Colombia and Vietnam, expanding its reach to new continents. We

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continue to like the shares, but obviously find them less attractive at the new higher price.

Research In Motion remains mired in the stock-option reporting quagmire, too. Earnings reports are not “complete”, but the company suggested that earnings were in the \$0.95 range, which is above analyst’s guesses. However, here again, the high price of the stock does not make us want to take any risk on uncertain accounting. Even with successful launch of the company’s Pearl device, we’d avoid these shares until the price becomes more attractive, especially with talk about the possibility of Apple’s new iPhone undermining RIMM’s territory.

Tempur-Pedic continues to report positive results, as sales and earnings both grew by nearly 20%. The company has also released new products, including the Pro-HealthCore Bed, which is designed to help people suffering from back-pain, by providing firmer bedding where it will aid in comfort; and the BellaSonna Bed, which

uses a new form of latex cushioning. The company also initiated a \$100 million share buyback. Of course, all the good news has caused the stock price to rise, finally reaching the point where we believe it to be fairly valued. Thus, we no longer see these shares as bargain-priced, but still maintain the company to be a worthwhile investment, simply on the basis of the growth potential.

Shares of **Syntax-Brilliant** have been flopping around a lot lately, but the earnings report is solidly positive. The company reported quarterly earnings of \$0.25 per share, compared with a loss for the corresponding period last year. Over the same period, sales tripled last year’s result. Despite the numbers beating estimates, shares fell hard, which we believe offers an outstanding buy. Electronics experts believe that sales of HDTV’s will rise nearly 50%, which should further boost the company’s prospects.

NetGear announced a new Digital Entertainer HD product, a media receiver which offers High Definition output for

streaming movies and videos from YouTube and similar sources; and also a new cordless phone which can switch back and forth between traditional landline use and Skype internet protocol.

Silicon Motion reported strongly positive earnings, which the company attributed to increased demand for controllers, and especially strong sales of higher density SD cards. The company also announced the resignation of CFO Richard Wei, who has accepted a similar position at a privately-held Chinese firm.

PetMed Express reported flat earnings, disappointing most analysts. The company’s sales growth, while positive, has been below what would be expected for an internet retailer. The stock fell sharply as a result, but has recovered somewhat since. Nonetheless, we don’t see a clear upside at the moment, and would rather wait and see if the company will be able to turn around its negative comparisons.

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its slower growing fixed-line business in Mexico from its high-growth cable and wireless businesses around Latin America. TelMex spun off America Movil a few years back, and we’ve seen incredible growth, in subscribers, earnings, and share price, while TelMex has moved more slowly. Talk by the new government of opening the market to more competition can only hurt margins more. However, the older firm has been on an acquisition spree, buying up assets throughout the Hispanic world, and investing in new projects in the region, including a WiMax installation in Chile. Incursions by cable companies offering phone service have been countered by TelMex beginning to offer television via internet connection. Some of the recent price run-up is probably due to the spin-off rumor. In our opinion we see growth potential here, whether one line of business is spun off or not. In the long run, if the spin-off is lucrative enough, Chairman Carlos Slim will ensure that it takes place, so investor’s needn’t worry. TelMex remains an outstanding long-term buy.

Earnings are expected to increase by 15% this period. We’re concerned that the short-term may see a share-price drop if a spin off doesn’t materialize, but we’re convinced that long-term investor’s won’t go wrong owning shares.

UTEK announced a string of new acquisitions and sales of prior investments. **Grey Wolf** remains an interesting speculative pick in the energy industry. **Technical Olympic** is a viable value play.

Glossary of Terms

What does our stock recommendation jargon mean in the charts?

Buy Aggressively	<i>Best buys at the best prices. Does not indicate momentum.</i>
Buy	<i>Not as exciting or certain as “buy aggressively”, but still a good buy.</i>
Speculative Buy	<i>Great potential; may not be great values. Higher risk.</i>
Nibble	<i>Buy a little at a time as prices become more favorable.</i>
Hold Tightly	<i>An attractive stock, probably too high to buy. Don’t sell yet.</i>
Hold Loosely	<i>Approaching excess valuation. Trade out selectively.</i>
Harvest	<i>Quality stock, inflated in price. Sell it. No impending problems. Hold if you can’t afford to take profits, but risk of holding is greater. Selling a portion is often a good strategy.</i>
Inconclusive	<i>Similar to sell . When news creates uncertainty, or action appears negative, uncertainty can create outstanding valuation, even with no news. Still, most people prefer not to hold uncertain stocks.</i>
Sell	<i>Reserved for stocks that have struck bad times. Sell this stock.</i>

TRUE BLUES

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EVERY MONTH WE FOLLOW LEGITIMATE "BLUE CHIPS" THAT CAN GENERALLY BE HELD LONG TERM WITHOUT GREAT CONCERN FOR MARKET CHANGES. WE RATE THEM FOR VALUATION ONLY. WHILE IT MAY PAY TO MOVE FROM AN OVERVALUED MEMBER OF THIS LIST TO A BARGAIN-PRICED CHOICE, MOST OF THESE STOCKS CAN BE HELD EVEN WHEN OVERVALUED WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT LONG-TERM RISK.

Stock	Symbol	Price	Earnings	P/E	Gr. Est.	Yld.	Recommendation
Abercrombie & Fitch	ANF	\$81.19	\$4.46	18.2	15%	0.9%	Hold Tightly
AFLAC	AFL	\$47.71	\$2.52	18.9	15%	1.1%	Hold Tightly
Alltel	AT	\$61.11	\$3.03	20.2	11%	2.5%	Hold Loosely
AutoZone	AZO	\$125.56	\$7.92	15.9	13%	0.0%	Hold Tightly
Bank of America	BAC	\$52.99	\$4.38	12.1	11%	4.2%	Hold Tightly
Bank of Nova Scotia	BNS	\$43.75	\$2.90	15.1	10%	3.6%	Hold Tightly
Biomet	BMET	\$42.25	\$1.82	23.2	18%	0.5%	Sell
Canon	CAJ	\$52.13	\$2.79	18.7	16%	1.1%	Hold Tightly
Capital One	COF	\$82.01	\$7.64	10.7	15%	0.1%	Buy
Constellation Brands	STZ	\$24.13	\$1.59	15.2	15%	0.0%	Hold Tightly
CRH	CRH	\$42.45	\$2.29	18.5	12%	0.7%	Hold
DRS Technologies	DRS	\$54.83	\$2.93	18.7	14%	0.2%	Hold Tightly
Fortune Brands	FO	\$80.81	\$6.23	13.0	13%	1.9%	Buy Aggressively
General Electric	GE	\$35.53	\$2.31	15.4	14%	2.3%	Buy Aggressively
Harley Davidson	HOG	\$67.80	\$3.84	17.7	14%	1.2%	Nibble
Home Depot	HD	\$41.00	\$2.93	14.0	13%	2.2%	Buy Aggressively
L-3 Communications	LLL	\$86.03	\$4.00	21.5	14%	1.2%	Nibble
Marshall & Ilsley	MI	\$48.16	\$3.34	14.4	10%	1.0%	Buy
Medtronic	MDT	\$53.78	\$2.22	24.2	15%	0.8%	Hold
Pfizer	PFE	\$26.38	\$3.35	7.9	15%	2.9%	Buy
Wal-Mart	WMT	\$47.97	\$2.83	17.0	10%	1.3%	Nibble
Western Union	WU	\$21.80	\$1.20	18.2	14%	0.2%	Nibble

Abercrombie & Fitch has had a 22% increase in sales, and is already looking to cast off a new clothing chain in 2008, even after the recent opening of Hollister. After a bumpy fourth quarter, the stock is expected to have an excellent growth due to their efficiency compared to other retailers. In December alone the ANF net sales increased 15% over last years. However, same-store sales for Abercrombie are still at a decline, from a 3% last year to a 1% this year.

AFLAC inc. is considered the number one provider of renewable insurance. Despite, its decline in net earnings over the past year, AFLAC is expecting to see a 15% to 16% increase in income. The company hopes to raise sales in Japan, and recover from its 17% decline there.

Alltel Wireless has been expanded from wireless phones to providing the largest broadband service in the Phoenix, Arizona region. Alltel hopes their expansion of products and services will increase income and sales. In addition, Alltel Wireless bought out one of its competitors for a total of \$1.1 billion dollars.

AutoZone has raised its EPS by 16.9% as well as displayed a 4.1% increase in sales compared to numbers recorded last year. Although still growing, the company's

rate of growth has decreased little by little over the last year.

Bank of America's CFO, as of early December, reported that he was planning on stepping down, unaware of his future plans. He decided to pursue other dreams after a short 15-month term as the bank's chief financial officer. An internal hire by the name of Joe Price took over on January 1st of this year. This sudden change left analysts surprised. In addition to this, B of A is now offering a free trading (no commission paid) opportunity to stock traders, hoping to bring in more customers.

The Bank of Nova Scotia had an earnings increase of 11% over the past fiscal year. Still in its growing stage, Scotiabank has continued to expand to more regions and more services.

Biomet, in mid-December, agreed to a \$10.9 billion buyout by a consortium of orthopedic and banking investors. The offer was at \$44 per share, which is 27% higher than its closing, on April 3rd. As a result, we will no longer report on Biomet (BMET).

Canon Inc. in the previous year made it certain that they were capable of growing. Retail sales rose 30%. Hoping for major long term growth, Canon Inc. recently purchased a joint venture for a new flat panel TV technology called SED.

However, Canon's fourth quarter earnings per share decreased 18.5% compared to the previous year.

Constellation Brands is still considered a leading international marketer and producer of alcoholic beverage products. However, in the past few months, due to competitors and setbacks, the company's rate of growth has significantly decreased. In response, Constellation Brands recently appointed a new CEO, CFO, and president; it also continues to expand, purchasing alcoholic beverage brands.

DRS Technologies is still increasing its profits and earnings through military contracts. As a result of the war in Iraq, The U.S. Government has signed quite a few contracts just in the past three months.

Fortune Brands, one of the top spirits, home and hardware, and golf gear competitors, has recently appointed Bruce Carbonari the new president and COO. As of late January, Fortune Brands EPS also rose 43% over the past year and also reported an annual revenue growth of 24%. However, prices have recently been dropping as a result of the slowly declining U.S. housing market.

General Electric has displayed the surprising outcome of doubling its EPS during the 2005-2006 Q4 comparison. The company has constantly introduced new technologies and services. GE forecasts major increases in sales by the year 2008 due to its breakthroughs in jet engine technology.

Harley Davidson has slowly but surely continued to increase sales, however at a decreasing rate. Analysts forecast an 11%-17% increase of EPS each year through 2009. This year's Q4 analysis presented a 15.5% increase in EPS compared to the year 2005 numbers; there was also a 9.7% increase in profit. However, due to a recent union strike that started in early February, 740 employees were laid off, causing the company to miss Q1 shipment forecasts. This strike took place at the largest motorcycle plant, costing the company \$11 million a day. Analysts say the strike will be short with a small effect on their performance this year.

Home Depot's CEO of six years, Bob Nardelli, resigned in early January as

CLOSE-END FUNDS THAT ARE SELLING AT A SIGNIFICANT DISCOUNT AND WORTH LOOKING INTO.

Adams Express (ADX) continues to offer a basket of sound U.S. companies at an attractive discount. **Korea Equity Fund (KEF)** is currently selling at an attractive discount, and the region is seeing outstanding growth. Each of these offers solid potential. **Taiwan Greater China Fund (TFC)** sells at a smaller discount, but allows investors a chance to invest in the fast-growing Chinese market without all the problems associated with faulty accounting and government ownership of the mainland companies. We rate it a buy. In another region, the **Mexico Fund (MXF)** offers a good buy on equities in that fast-growing nation. On a more global scale, we like **Gabelli Global Multimedia Trust (GGT)**,

which holds big media companies around the world, and offers a fair discount from Net Asset Value. Finally, we continue to like **DWS Global Commodities Fund (GCS)**, which invests heavily in oil and mining stocks. After recent weakness, we believe this fund may again offer a wise place to diversify.

ADX	14.01	16.26	-13.84%
KEF	10.76	12.07	-10.85%
TFC	6.53	7.07	-07.64%
MXF	40.67	45.93	-11.45%
GGT	13.07	14.92	-12.40%
GCS	15.65	17.85	-12.32%

Money frees you from doing things you dislike. Since I dislike doing nealy everything, money is handy.
-Groucho Marks

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a result of being heavily criticized for his recent performance. Frank Blake, former vice chairman, took Nardelli's place as CEO. As soon as Blake took over as CEO, the stock prices soared, and much needed repairs went underway.

L-3 Communications in early December was forced to revise their plans after the U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command turned down a proposal. The company also recently promoted Ralph D'Ambrosio as CFO, relieving CEO and president Strianese of one of three major positions. After this change, in mid-January, stock prices began to rise.

Medtronic recently approved the spin off of its Emergency Response Systems business. The company however has hit a rough spot due to international competition. U.S. heart product sales has fallen 4%, where international sales have risen 10% over the past couple of months. Medtronic has now focused itself on expanding to the ICD market in hopes of increasing sales.

Pfizer, one of the top drug-makers, is facing tough competition. The company cut 10,000 workers, in an attempt to save up to \$2 billion. It also sold its consumer business to Johnson & Johnson, which was included in their increase in earnings.

Wal-Mart's recent same-store sales rising 1.6% has proved that the company can still grow through a rough spot. However, it is known that January sales are 2% weaker. New employee schedules that are focused on customer habits were enforced in hopes to continue growth in sales and raise share prices. In mid-January, Wal-Mart opened 46 new stores and expanded 22 stores into superstores; the company also donated \$2 million to hundreds of charities within the two days of grand openings.

Western Union's revenue rose 10% compared to 2005; however net income decreased 7%. The company reported heavy losses in Hispanic markets due to recent government debates concerning immigration issues. On a more positive note, consumer numbers in China and India have continued to grow strongly.

We will cease coverage of First Data Corp, Fair Isaac, Lennar, and Unilever, since these companies no longer fit the definition of True Blues.



EARNINGS REPORTS

Stock Name	Earning Period	Current Earning	1 Year Ago	Percent Change	Current Recommendation
Syntax-Brilliant	Q2	\$0.25	-\$0.04	725.0%	Speculative Buy
Pfizer	Q4	\$1.32	\$0.37	256.8%	Buy
General Electric	Q4	\$0.64	\$0.30	113.3%	Buy Aggressively
Landec	Q2	\$0.00	-\$0.04	100.0%	Speculative Buy
Research In Motion	Q3	\$0.93	\$0.61	52.5%	Harvest
Asta Funding	Q4	\$0.93	\$0.62	50.0%	Buy Aggressively
Abercrombie + Fitch	Q3	\$1.11	\$0.79	40.5%	Hold Tightly
Fortune Brands	Q4	\$1.62	\$1.17	38.5%	Buy Aggressively
Silicon Motion	Q4	\$0.32	\$0.24	33.3%	Buy Aggressively
Bank of America	Q4	\$1.16	\$0.88	31.8%	Hold Tightly
CRH	Q1	\$0.73	\$0.56	30.4%	Hold
Tempur-Pedic	Q4	\$0.40	\$0.31	29.0%	Buy
Digital River	Q4	\$0.47	\$0.37	27.0%	Buy Aggressively
DRS Technologies	Q3	\$0.86	\$0.69	24.6%	Hold Tightly
FirstFed Financial	Q4	\$1.97	\$1.67	18.0%	Speculative Buy
Capital One	Q4	\$1.14	\$0.97	17.5%	Buy
AutoZone	Q1	\$1.73	\$1.48	16.9%	Hold Tightly
Harley Davidson	Q4	\$0.97	\$0.84	15.5%	Nibble
Jos. A. Bank Clothiers	Q3	\$0.30	\$0.26	15.4%	Buy Aggressively
Bank of Nova Scotia	Q4	\$0.89	\$0.80	11.3%	Hold Tightly
L-3 Communications	Q4	\$1.37	\$1.24	10.5%	Nibble
Net 1 UEPS	Q2	\$0.27	\$0.25	8.0%	Hold Tightly
Aspreva Pharma.	Q4	\$0.73	\$0.68	7.4%	Speculative Buy
Wal-Mart	Q3	\$0.62	\$0.58	6.9%	Nibble
Marshall & Ilsley	Q4	\$0.79	\$0.74	6.8%	Buy
Biomet	Q2	\$0.42	\$0.41	2.4%	Sell
Home Depot	Q3	\$0.73	\$0.72	1.4%	Buy Aggressively
PetMed Express	Q3	\$0.11	\$0.11	0.0%	Inconclusive
Constellation Brands	Q3	\$0.45	\$0.46	-2.2%	Hold Tightly
AFLAC	Q4	\$0.67	\$0.72	-6.9%	Hold Tightly
Apollo Group	Q1	\$0.66	\$0.73	-9.6%	Hold
Western Union	Q4	\$0.28	\$0.31	-9.7%	Nibble
Medtronic	Q2	\$0.59	\$0.67	-11.9%	Hold
Canon	Q4	\$0.22	\$0.27	-18.5%	Hold Tightly
America Movil	Q4	\$0.56	\$0.77	-27.3%	Nibble

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BREAKTHROUGH STOCKS

Name	Symbol	Price	Prev.Price	Increase	Recommendation
Silicon Motion	SIMO	\$20.90	\$15.63	33.72%	Buy Aggressively
Naspers	NPSN	\$26.34	\$19.84	32.76%	Nibble
Net 1 UEPS	UEPS	\$30.18	\$23.69	27.40%	Hold Tightly
Landec	LNDC	\$12.20	\$9.69	25.90%	Speculative Buy
TeleMex	TMX	\$31.27	\$25.80	21.20%	Buy
Apollo Group	APOL	\$47.47	\$39.20	21.10%	Hold
Tempur-Pedic	TPX	\$25.06	\$20.97	19.50%	Buy
TurkCell	TKC	\$14.53	\$12.29	18.23%	Nibble
DXP Enterprises	DXPE	\$33.00	\$28.33	16.48%	Harvest
First Advantage	FADV	\$22.17	\$19.25	15.17%	Nibble
PriceLine	PCLN	\$45.00	\$39.13	15.00%	Nibble

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Stock	From	To	% Change
Tempur-Pedic	\$0.00	\$0.24	N/A
Bank of Nova Scotia	\$1.32	\$1.50	13.64%
Harley Davidson	\$0.64	\$0.84	31.25%
L-3 Communications	\$0.75	\$1.00	33.33%
Western Union	\$0.00	\$0.04	N/A

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