# Stock Selections & Timing

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#### Second Fiddle

Model Stock Portfolio

Dow30 Portfolio

Wilshire 5000 TR

Dow Industrials

oes the market care whether President Obama or Governor Romney gets elected this No-The election is only vember? about three weeks away on The polls are about 11/6/12. evenly split between the two.

So, apparently not. What about Congress and the Fiscal Cliff that's coming up a mere seven weeks later on 1/1/13? Apparently the market doesn't think that will be a major event either. The nonpartisan Congressional Budget office, however, has

forecast a recession for early next year because of the already locked in tax increases and government spending cuts. market seems to like the certainty of the Fiscal Cliff as much as the uncertainty of the new Presi-

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This is the daily chart of the Dow Industrials (top) and Transports (bottom).

15.2%

9.1%

SCOREBOARD

19.3%

14.5%

YTD	52-week	26-week	13-week	4-week	1-week
5.4%	15.7%	1.0%	1.3%	-2.3%	-0.7%
-1.7%	-0.2%	-2.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

4.7%

3.7%

5.5%

4.3%

-2.7%

-1.9%

-2.2%

-2.1%

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## Stock Portfolio

ACTION I	FOR				PORTFOL	IO DETAILS	3					Value as o	f date:	10/12/2012
							Closing							
Action			Action	# of	Action		stop as	Yield at	Buy	Start	End	# of	Current	Percent of
Dates	Action	Symbol	Price	Shares	Value	Symbol	of 9/7	buy	Limit	Price	Price	Shares	Value	Total
04 1.1	1.1	\A( <del>T-T</del>	4.000	4 000	4.000									
31-Jul	sold	WTT	1.230	1,000	1,220									
31-Jul	_	MCGC	4.380	1,000	4,390	0=10								
1-Aug	bought		7.030	500	3,525	GENC			8.00	7.56	7.20	2,278	16,401.60	11.4%
1-Aug	bought	OPLK	13.00	300	3,910	WTT			1.00	0.87	1.23	9,000	11,070.00	7.7%
						OPLK			13.00	12.84	15.36	600	9,216.00	6.4%
20-Aug	buy	NGPC	7.030	500	3,525									
23-Aug	buy	MCGC	4.37	500	2,195	MCGC		12.9%	4.40	4.38	4.69	1,500	7,035.00	4.9%
						NGPC		8.7%	7.15	7.03	7.42	1,000	7,420.00	5.2%
11-Sep	sold	TAXI	11.370	650	7,381	0		4.4%	41.50	40.76	41.00	180	7,380.00	5.1%
						MVC		3.8%	13.00	12.80	12.47	600	7,482.00	5.2%
1-Oct	buy	0	40.76	180	7,347	GAIN		8.0%	7.55			1,000		
1-Oct	buy	MVC	12.80	600	7,690									
both pos	itions will	be rough	ly 5% of tota	l portfolio		WATCH	LIST FOR	R POTENTIA	AL PURCH	<b>HASE AT</b>	OR BELC	W BUY LI	MIT	
		_				NEW FR	OM 8/18/	12						
15-Oct	buy	GAIN		1,000		none								
this will b	oe about 5	% of tota	al portfolio											
						Dividend	ls						3,374.82	2.3%
						Money N	/larket				1.00	74,407	74,407.00	51.7%
											Total \	/aluation=	143,786.42	100.0%

#### REVIEW since last issue

10/15 Buy the new position as noted above.

10/8 GENC has really fallen back, becoming cheaper and cheaper. Its market cap is priced below its net cash in the bank and it has a profitable business.

The buy limits shaded in light green above show where current prices are below buy limits.

- 10/1 Make the two new buys as noted above. They pay a decent dividend and appear relatively cheap.
- 9/24 No changes.
- 9/17 TAXI was stopped out. I continue to look for new bargains, but the market rally has made the pickings slim. The business development companies (MCGC, NGPC) have done well with their substantial and what appear to be secure yields.
- 9/10 Monitor the new stop on TAXI.
- 9/4 Keep an eye on TAXI's stop.
- 8/27 The new buys were triggered last week. No new buy levels or recommendations. Note that I raised the stop level on TAXI.

	2010	2011	ytd 2012	Incptn	SD
Stock Portfolio	12.3%	21.4	5.4	43.8	16.4
W5000 TtlRtrn	17.7%	0.5	15.2	36.3	11.7

This shows the returns of previous years, year to date (ytd), and from inception (incptn). It also shows standard deviation (SD).

## Dow 30 Portfolio

<b>ACTION F</b>	FOR				PORTFOL	O DETAILS					Value as of	date:	10/12/2012
							Closing		_			_	
Action			Action	# of	Action		Stop as		Start	Ending	# of		Percent of
Date	Action	Symbol	Price	Shares	Value	Symbol	of 5/21	Description	Price	Price	Shares	Value	Total
23-May	sell	AXP	55.99	200	11,188								
1-Jun	sell	AA	8.29	1,300	10,767								
1-Jun	sell	KFT	37.57	300	11,261								
1-Jun	sell	IBM	188.78	60	11,317								
1-Jun	sell	MCD	86.88	125	10,850								
11-Jun	sell	DIS	45.74	250	11,425								
11-Jun	sell	KO			11,423								
			74.55	150									
11-Jun	sell	MRK	38.51	300	11,543								
						Money M	1arket			1.00	104,247	104,247.00	100.0%
										Total	Valuation=	104,247.00	100.0%

Company	Symbol
Alcoa	AA
American Express	AXP
Boeing	BA
Bank of America	BAC
Catepillar	CAT
Cisco	CSCO
Chevron	CVX
DuPont	DD
Disney	DIS
GE	GE
Home Depot	HD
Hewlitt Packard	HPQ
IBM	IBM
Intel	INTC
Johnson & Johnson	JNJ

Company	Symbol
JP Morgan	JPM
Kraft	KFT
Coca-Cola	KO
McDonalds	MCD
3M Company	MMM
Merck	MRK
Microsoft	MSFT
Pfizer	PFE
Proctor & Gamble	PG
ATT	Т
Travelers	TRV
United Technologies	UTX
Verizon	VZ
Wal-Mart	WMT
Exxon Mobil	XOM

For this portfolio, we seek to outperform the Dow Industrials using proprietary timing and weighting formulas of the underlying thirty stocks of the Dow Industrials. We also will use the ETF that tracks the same. The symbol is DIA.

We monitor the underlying individual stocks for buys and sells in order to overweight the portfolio to what is expected to outperform and underweight the portfolio with what is expected to underperform.

#### REVIEW since last issue

9/4 No changes. The selecting and timing model is undergoing changes.

8/20 No changes.

7/30 No changes.

7/23 No changes.

7/16 No changes.

# Feature Company

GAIN is another business development company, making equity and debt investments.

Its NAV is \$9.10 and market price is \$7.50. The stock yields 8%. The next ex-dividend date is 10/18/12 (you must buy before that date to receive the dividend). The company pays monthly at \$0.05 per share.

The company very recently issued new stock at \$7.45, which knocked the stock lower. Once this is digested, I expect the stock to rally back on up.



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dent, else it may be thinking neither really matters.

What does matter more is what the Federal Reserve and its Chairman Bernanke are doing. He, however, is not elected, but appointed. His is an appointed or nominated post by the President with confirmation from the Senate. That appointment comes up every four years with the next one due on 2/1/2014. Because the new appointment is more than two years away, the market is not worried about or focused on a

possible change there either.

In the meantime, we know the Fed will keep interest rates low. This has been helping, as cars and homes and furnishings seem to benefit. As the old saying goes don't fight the Fed. But will it be enough to avoid the projected recession? Time will tell, but if anything, it is what the lagging Dow Transportation Index continues to signal. Falling demand requires less shipping and hence lagging stock prices. In other words, lower earnings are anticipated.

So, while some of the market is muted, much of the rest of the market continues to focus on low interest rates and their positive impact on the economy. What the government does and who is elected or not is playing second fiddle.

Please see the specific portfolio pages for changes.

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