

# THE RHODES REPORT

Telephone: 484-278-4073
Email: richard@rhodes-capital.com
Web Address: http://www.rhodes-capital.com

## Tuesday - February 11, 2014



## CAPITAL MARKET COMMENTARY

▶ WORLD MARKETS ARE BROADLY HIGHER THIS MORNING as the Asian bourses have led today's charge with the European bourses falling in behind in higher fashion. China's SSE Composite rose +0.85%, with Germany higher by +1.43%. Spain and Italy are higher, but only by +0.52% and +0.41% respectively. Hence, today appears to be a "risk-on" day if we are reading correctly. However, the S&P 500 futures are well off their highs as Fed Chair Yellen's prepared testimony was released into the market at 8:30am ET . Also, the US dollar is modestly lower, bond yields are modestly higher, gold and crude oil are also modestly higher.

▶ US ECONOMIC FRONT: There are no market moving reports today; however, there are several tertiary reports that the economists will parse over. But, there are several Fed

### "FORECAST"

**STOCKS:** The world economy is healing; however, there remains clear headwinds to the continuation of this healing...such as the emerging market risk-reassessment. Quite clearly, risk is being mispriced at current levels given the economic backdrop and clear pressure upon corporate revenues/margins/earnings — not to mention the contined QE taper glide path.

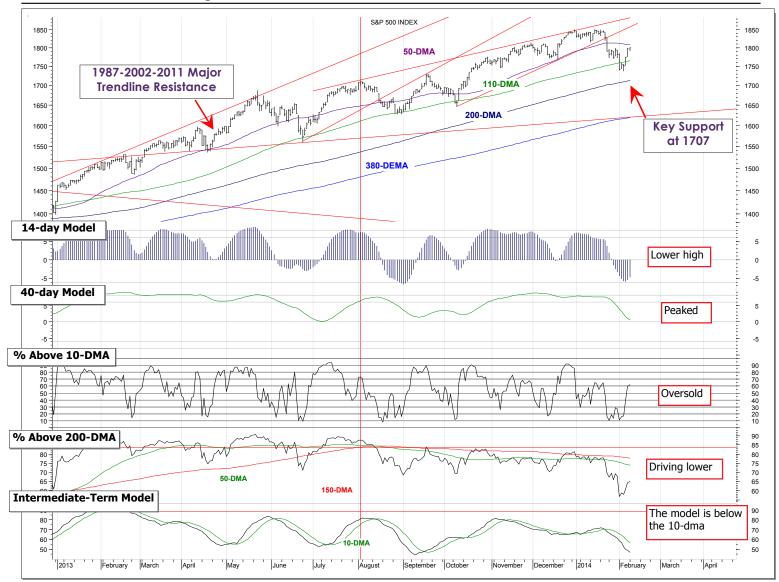
**STRATEGY:** The S&P 500 remains above the 160-wma long-term support level at 1447; but perhaps more importantly, the distance above the 160-wma stands at +21% — down from a high of +28%. If it expands above +30%, then an upside explosion is under way; but under it — then a larger correction is expected to materialize.

speakers on the docket, with Philly Fed President Plosser speaking at 9:00am ET on "the economy and monetary policy", while Richmond Fed President Lacker and Dallas Fed President Fisher speak tonight at 8:00pm ET on "financial stability" and "the economic outlook" respectively. Fed Chair Yellen speaks before the House Financial Services Committee at 10:00am ET, and her Q&A session will be widely parsed – with market volatility increasing with her answers. We expect her to toe the current Fed line of tapering as warranted, with two weak months of data points not warranting a change in policy – the Fed is not cut from this cloth as they are more long-term in nature, and will not respond to a month's worth of stock market volatility.

► TRADING STRATEGY: The long-awaited correction to adjust the excessive bullish condition is underway, with the S&P 500 and Russell 2000 to hold their 200-day moving averages at 1713 and the Russell 2000 at 1063. Until then, rallies are to be sold rather than strength bought.

OVERNIGHT PRICES	S			Qı	uotes at:	: 7	EST		
INDEX		LAST		DAILY CHG		CHG %	YTD	YTD%	
Morning Futures									
S&P 500	uр		1,800.50		5.75				
Nasdaq 100	uр		3,590.00		12.50				
10-year Note Yield	uр		2.68%		0.0 bps				
Crude Oil	uр	\$	100.17	\$	0.11		•		
Euro€	uр		1.3677		0.0036				
Yen ¥	down		0.9768		-0.0019		•		
Gold	uр	\$	1,288.00	\$	13.30				
Foreign Indices			,						
Japan Nikkei 225	uр		14,718		255.9	1.77%	-1,573	-15.13%	
SSE China Composite	uр		2,104		18.0	0.86%	-12	-0.53%	
German DAX	uр		9,418		128.2	1.38%	-98	-1.28%	
Spain Madrid General	uр		1,027		8.0	0.79%	15	1.83%	
Italy FTSE MIB	uр		19,779		95.9	0.49%	811	4.98%	
US Indices									
Dow Industrials	uр		15,802		8.0	0.05%	-775	-5.91%	
Nasdaq 100	ир		3,582		20.2	0.57%	-10	-0.37%	
S&P 500 Large-Cap	uр		1,800		2.8	0.16%	-49	-3.40%	
S&P 400 Mid-Cap	uр		1,311		2.9	0.22%	-31	-3.06%	
S&P 600 Small-Cap	uр		632		0.0	0.00%	-34	-7.09%	

# S&P 500 INDEX/ BROAD MKT INDICATORS



## S&P 500 TECHNICAL COMMENTS

#### → RISK STILL REMAINS HIGH AT CURRENT LEV-

**ELS:** The risk-reward remains skewed to the downside given the weekly models turinng lower two week prior. This, in combination of the daily model group remains suggestive of weakness to test the wide 200-dma/380-dema range between 1713-1620.

At this point, the % of stocks above their 10-dma has rallied back above neutral levels, and the % above the 200-dma remains in a downtrend amid a major divergence, and still far above levels consistent with larger bottoms.

We'll suggest a test of the 200-dma at 1711 looms ahead, with a possible breakdown and reversal higher as evidence a tradable rally higher is in place. Until then, rallies are to be sold. Patience remains of a virtue at this point.

- The 14-day and 40-day models have traded lower, with the 14-day having turned higher from -6 on Friday...a positive. The 40-day remains in decline.
- The % of stocks above their 10-dma has rallied to neutral from near-oversold levels. We view the risk lower into oversold levels.
- The % of stocks above their 200-dma stands at 65%...flat from the prior close. <u>The 87% level marked previous highs. The 50-dma/150-dma cross breakdown now confirms a larger correction.</u>
  Bottoms form between 30%-40%.
- The Intermediate-term Model <u>has broken</u> <u>back below the 10-dma</u>; a clear negative.

# SHORT CORNER

No.	Trade Date	POS	Name	SYM	Beta	Entry Price	Current Price	Percent P/L	Stop Loss Point	TARGET	EARN DATE
1	7/8/13	L	Crude Oil 2x Short	SCO	(2.68)	\$ 31.90	\$ 30.55	-4.2%	\$ - "H"	\$ 61.00	N/A
2	8/9/13	L	30-yr Bond Yield 2x Short	TMF	(1.22)	\$ 48.88	\$ 50.74	3.8%	\$ - "H"	\$ 62.00	N/A
3	8/15/13	L	Russell 2000 2x Short	TWM	(2.39)	\$ 63.85	\$ 51.29	-19.7%	\$ - "H"	\$ 19.00	N/A
4	10/31/13	S	Tesla	TSLA	0.67	\$ 157.87	\$ 196.56	-24.5%	\$ - "H"	\$ 110.00	N/A
5	11/14/13	S	Chipolte	CMG	0.55	\$ 539.49	\$ 548.09	-1.6%	\$ - "H"	\$ 470.00	N/A
6	12/11/13	S	Google	GOOG	0.96	\$ 1,075.85	\$ 1,172.93	-9.0%	\$ - "H"	\$ 930.00	N/A
7	12/11/13	S	Cooper Cameron	CAM	1.24	\$ 56.10	\$ 58.76	-4.7%	\$ - "H"	\$ 45.00	N/A
8	1/27/14	S	Amazon	AMZN	0.67	\$ 390.50	\$ 360.87	7.6%	\$ - "H"	\$ 340.00	N/A
9			N/A			\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
10			N/A			\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
11			N/A			\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
12			N/A			\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
13			N/A			\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
14			N/A			\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
15			N/A			\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
			TOTAL	(0.31)		•		"<" Denotes Char			

**TRADE PRICE NOTE:** All entry and exit prices for stocks are the "average" of the high and low prices for the trading day as provided for byYahoo!'s website at http://www.finance.yahoo.com; unless clearly stated in the trade instructions below.

<u>DISCLAIMER:</u> "The performance data shown represent past performance, which is not a guarantee of future results. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate, so that investors' securities, when sold, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data cited. The performance of an index is not an exact representation of any particular investment, as you cannot invest directly in an index. The illustrations and charts in this report are educational only and do not take into consideration your personal circumstances or other factors that may be important in making investment decisions. This report is not a recommendation to buy or sell a particular security."

### **COMMENTS:**

1. None

### TRADE ORDERS/EXECUTIONS:

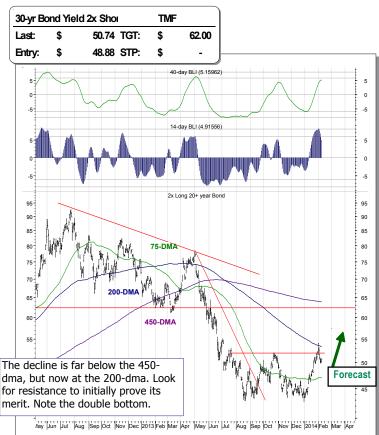
1. None.

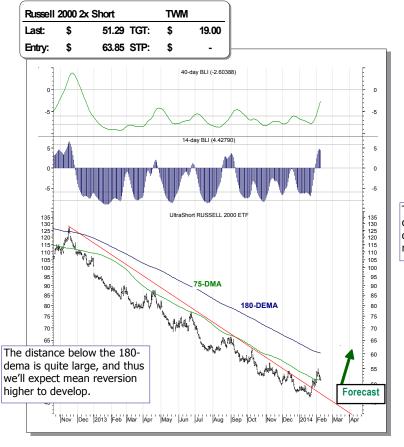
The Rhodes Report is published by Rhodes Capital Management, Inc. Mailing address: 531 Kenmore Rd, Merion Station, Pennsylvania 19066. All contents copyright © Rhodes Capital Management, Inc. Reproduction, retransmission or redistribution in any form is illegal and strictly forbidden, as is regular dissemination of specific forecasts and strategies. Otherwise, feel free to quote, cite or review if full credit is given. The Rhodes Report is published daily, including special reports as market conditions warrant. Correspondence is welcome, but volume of Email often precludes a reply. Subscription rates are: \$279/annually or \$159/sixmonths. Visa, MasterCard and American Express accepted. Delivery is available via Internet download and Email.

This report has no regard to the specific investment objectives, financial situation or particular needs of any specific recipient. The report is published for informational purposes and is not be construed as a solicitation or an offer to buy or sell any securities or related financial instruments. The report is based on information obtained from sources believed to be reliable, but is not guaranteed as being accurate, nor is it a complete statement or summary of the securities, markets or developments referred to in the report. The report should not be regarded by recipients as a substitute for the exercise of their own judgment. Any opinions expressed in this report are subject to change without any notice and The Rhodes Report is not under any obligation to update or keep current the information contained herein. Past performance is not necessarily indicative of future results. The Rhodes Report accepts no liability whatsoever for any loss or damage of any kind arising out of the use of all or any part of this report.

## SHORT CORNER I

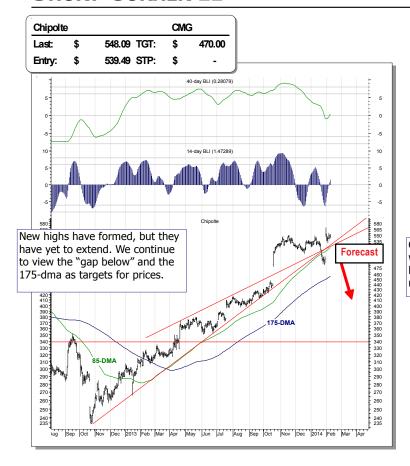


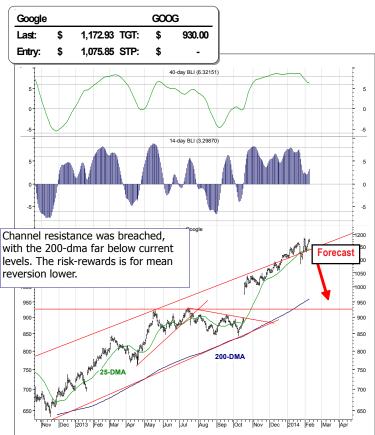


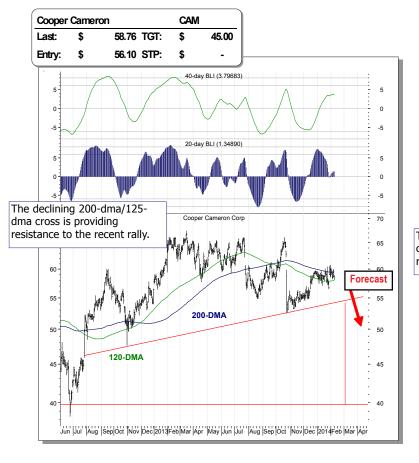




## SHORT CORNER II









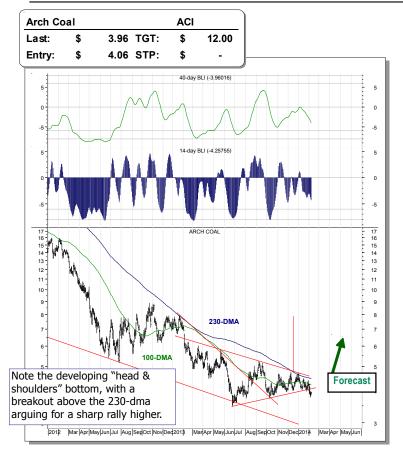
# Institutional Model Portfolio

No.	Date	Company	Ticker	Sector	Port %	Yield	Beta	Entry Price	Current Price	Tota	al	Unrealized P/L	Percent P/L	STP	TGT	Earnings Release
1	10/24/13	Arch Coal	ACI	Energy	3.9%	2.9%	2.02	\$ 4.06	\$ 3.96	\$ 39	90,148	\$ (9,852)	-2.5%	\$ -	\$ 12.00	2/14
2	1/14/14	Diamond Offshore	DO	Energy	3.4%	0.9%	1.44	\$ 54.57	\$ 46.77	\$ 34	42,826	\$ (57,174)	-14.3%	\$ -	\$ 75.00	2/14
3	11/21/13	Encana	ECA	Energy	3.7%	1.6%	1.43	\$ 19.59	\$ 18.24	\$ 37	72,530	\$ (27,470)	-6.9%	\$ -	\$ 23.00	2/13
4	1/14/14	Nabors Industries	NBR	Energy	4.3%	0.9%	3.10	\$ 16.53	\$ 17.56	\$ 42	24,924	\$ 24,924	6.2%	\$ -	\$ 22.00	N/A
5	1/14/14	Newfield Explor.	NFX	Energy	3.9%	0.0%	1.35	\$ 25.08	\$ 24.10	\$ 38	84,370	\$ (15,630)	-3.9%	\$ -	\$ 38.00	N/A
6	10/22/13	Transocean	RIG	Energy	3.5%	4.6%	2.17	\$ 48.98	\$ 42.26	\$ 34	45,156	\$ (54,844)	-13.7%	\$ -	\$ 62.00	N/A
7	1/14/14	Allegeheny Tech	ATI	Materials	3.6%	2.0%	2.24	\$ 35.00	\$ 31.25	\$ 35	57,143	\$ (42,857)	-10.7%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
8	1/14/14	Cleveland Cliffs	CLF	Materials	3.7%	2.4%	2.49	\$ 22.36	\$ 20.58	\$ 36	68,157	\$ (31,843)	-8.0%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
9	1/14/14	Freeport-McMoran	FCX	Materials	3.6%	3.5%	2.22	\$ 35.63	\$ 32.23	\$ 36	61,830	\$ (38,170)	-9.5%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
10	1/14/14	Newmont Mining	NEM	Materials	4.7%	3.4%	(0.11)	\$ 23.88	\$ 22.20	\$ 46	64,824	\$ (35,176)	-7.0%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
11	1/14/14	CH Robinson	CHRW	Industrials	2.8%	2.4%	0.40	\$ 57.45	\$ 52.93	\$ 27	76,397	\$ (23,603)	-7.9%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
12	1/14/14	Caterpillar	CAT	Industrials	3.2%	2.7%	1.76	\$ 89.89	\$ 94.50	\$ 3	15,385	\$ 15,385	5.1%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
13	1/14/14	Fastenal	FAST	Industrials	2.8%	2.1%	0.89	\$ 47.43	\$ 44.15	\$ 27	79,254	\$ (20,746)	-6.9%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
14	1/14/14	YRC Worldwide	YRCW	Industrials	4.9%	0.0%	3.49	\$ 13.20	\$ 21.29	\$ 48	83,864	\$ 183,864	61.3%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
15	1/14/14	Bob Evans	BOBE	Consumer Discret.	2.1%	0.8%	2.50	\$ 47.62	\$ 50.95	\$ 2	13,986	\$ 13,986	7.0%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
16	1/14/14	Abercrombie-Fitch	ANF	Consumer Discret.	1.9%	2.2%	1.97	\$ 36.14	\$ 33.93	\$ 18	87,770	\$ (12,230)	-6.1%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
17	1/14/14	Clear Channel	CCU	Consumer Discret.	1.9%	2.7%	0.61	\$ 22.57	\$ 21.27	\$ 18	88,480	\$ (11,520)	-5.8%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
18	1/14/14	Coach	СОН	Consumer Discret.	1.7%	2.4%	1.17	\$ 54.30	\$ 47.20	\$ 17	73,849	\$ (26,151)	-13.1%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
19	1/14/14	Urban Outfitters	URBN	Consumer Discret.	2.0%	0.0%	1.46	\$ 36.89	\$ 36.64	\$ 19	98,645	\$ (1,355)	-0.7%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
20	1/14/14	Avon Products	AVP	Consumer Staples	4.5%	1.4%	1.30	\$ 16.49	\$ 14.75	\$ 44	47,241	\$ (52,759)	-10.6%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
21	1/14/14	Quest Diagnostics	DGX	Healthcare	2.9%	2.2%	0.61	\$ 53.75	\$ 51.74	\$ 28	88,781	\$ (11,219)	-3.7%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
22	1/14/14	Eli Lilly	LLY	Healthcare	4.2%	3.8%	0.29	\$ 52.07	\$ 53.97	\$ 4°	14,596	\$ 14,596	3.6%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
23	10/30/13	Teva Pharma	TEVA	Healthcare	4.3%	2.6%	0.99	\$ 41.01	\$ 44.05	\$ 42	29,704	\$ 29,704	7.4%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
24	1/14/14	First Horizon	FHN	Financials	2.9%	1.6%	1.79	\$ 12.08	\$ 11.56	\$ 28	87,086	\$ (12,914)	-4.3%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
25	1/14/14	Rayonier	RYN	Financials	3.2%	4.7%	0.78	\$ 41.53	\$ 44.25	\$ 3	19,648	\$ 19,648	6.5%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
26	1/14/14	F5 Networks	FFIV	Info Technology	3.6%	0.0%	2.69	\$ 92.01	\$ 109.50	\$ 35	57,026	\$ 57,026	19.0%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
27	1/14/14	Microsoft	MSFT	Info Technology	3.2%	3.1%	0.72	\$ 34.98	\$ 36.80	\$ 3	15,609	\$ 15,609	5.2%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
28	1/14/14	Excelon	EXC	Utilities	3.3%	4.6%	0.21	\$ 26.98	\$ 29.40	\$ 32	26,909	\$ 26,909	9.0%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
29	1/14/14	Aqua America	WTR	Utilities	3.2%	2.6%	0.35	\$ 22.79	\$ 23.97	\$ 3	15,533	\$ 15,533	5.2%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
30	1/14/14	Energen Corp	EGN	Utilities	3.3%	0.8%	1.77	\$ 65.64	\$ 72.64	\$ 30	31,993	\$ 31,993	10.7%	\$ -	\$ -	N/A
		TOTAL						_		\$ 9,90	63,663	\$ (36,337)	-0.4%	_	_	_

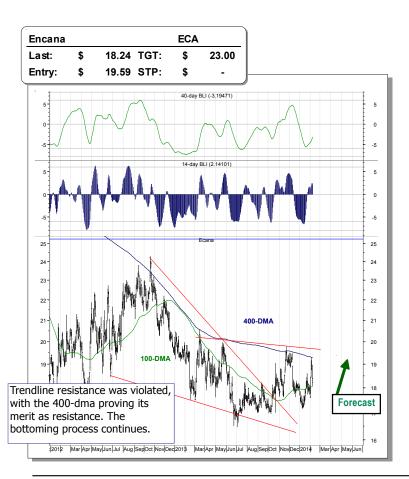
## **TRADE ORDERS/EXECUTIONS:**

1. None.

# INSTITUTIONAL MODEL PORTFOLIO I

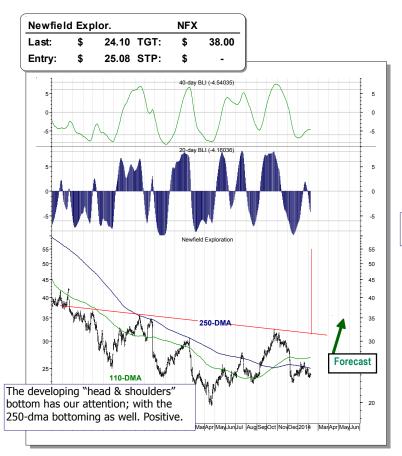




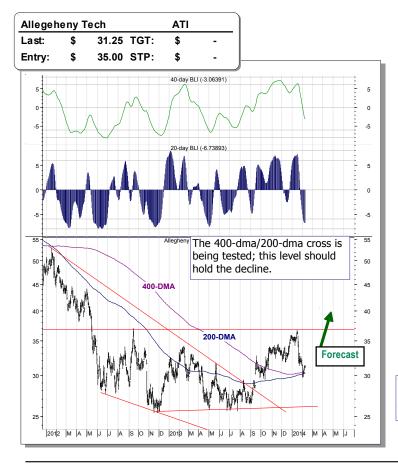


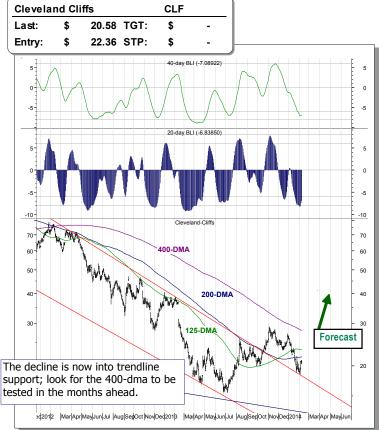


## INSTITUTIONAL MODEL PORTFOLIO II

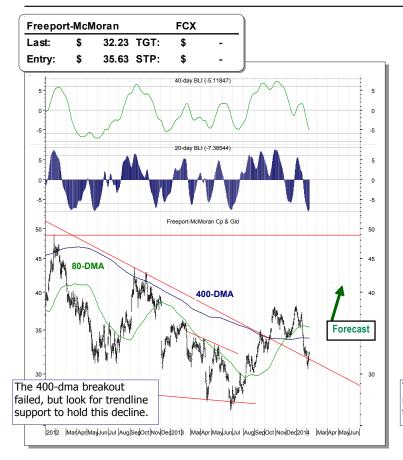




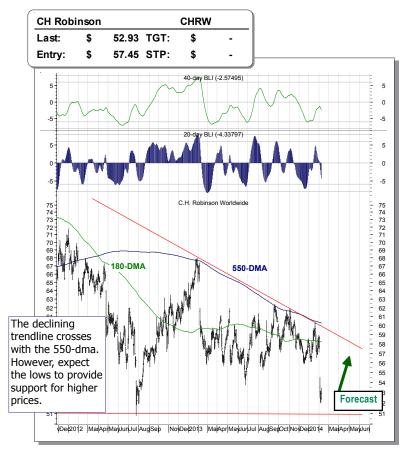


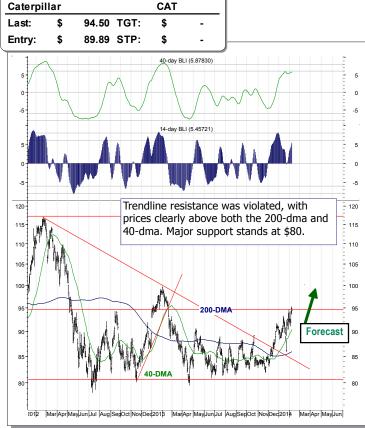


## INSTITUTIONAL MODEL PORTFOLIO III

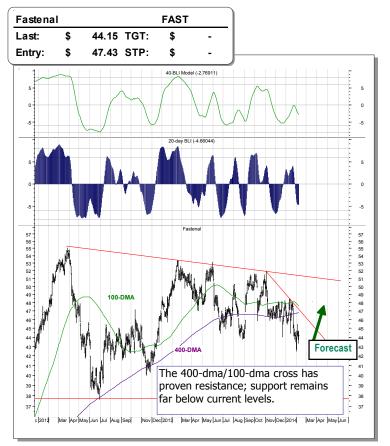




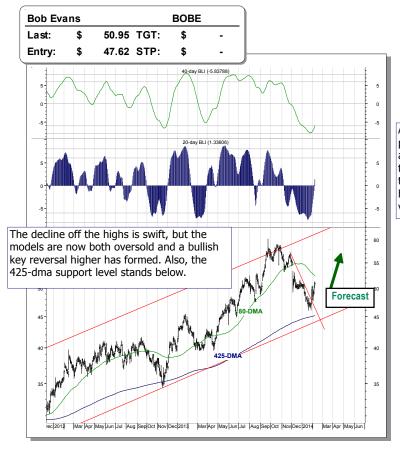




## INSTITUTIONAL MODEL PORTFOLIO IV

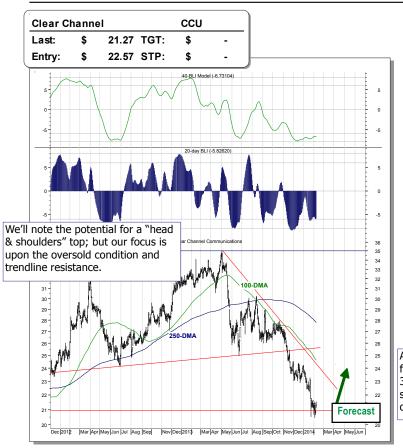


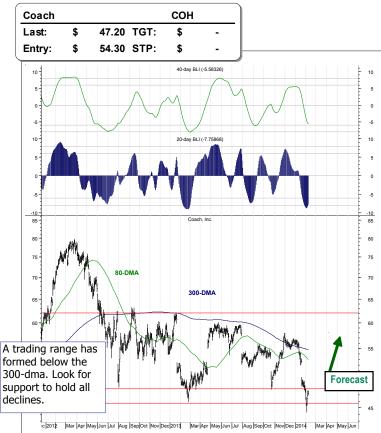






## INSTITUTIONAL MODEL PORTFOLIO V

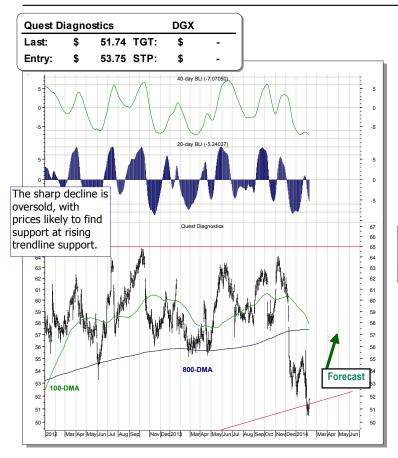




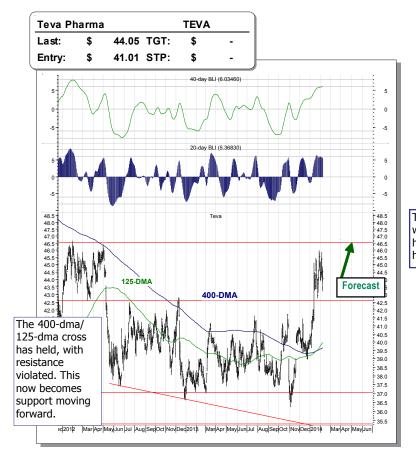




# INSTITUTIONAL MODEL PORTFOLIO VI









# INSTITUTIONAL MODEL PORTFOLIO VII





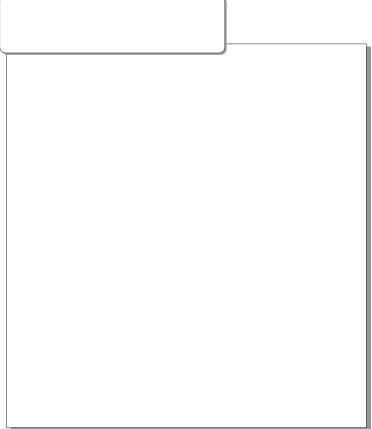




# INSTITUTIONAL MODEL PORTFOLIO VIII







14

## The "Blue-Line Indicator" or "BLI" Explained

The BLI is our simple momentum oscillator used for timing and trend decisions; we rarely if ever use other momentum indicators for we prefer to focus and understand one indicator really well rather than a basket of indicators that can at times be contradictory. Furthermore, we prefer to use the BLI in conjunction with basic chart patterns; it is our experience that this combination works rather well for type of trading style.

Basically, the BLI it is a full stochastic indicator derivative of our own undertaking; our changes have been several, but primarily relate to "smoothing" the indicator in order to provide for better signals once it does in fact change directions. We use varying time periods dependent upon whether we are working with weekly or daily charts. We have found that a 14-period BLI works well with the weekly charts, whereas both a 20-period and 40-period work well with daily charts. Obviously, the 40-period BLI catches longer and more tidal changes in direction. We normally don't use these in our Daily Bulletin given its shorter-term time frame, but behind the scenes it plays a big part.

When using the BLI with price charts; we look upon the following 3-factors as "set-ups" upon which the probability is highest to trade:

### 1. BLI Extremes: Oversold (-6 to -8)/Overbought (+6 to +8)

· When the BLI trades into either extreme, our "reversal ears" go up as a change in trend becomes a higher probability. This puts the risk/reward dynamic in our favor generally, but we won't take a position without well defined stop losses and perhaps prices are trading into support or resistance as the case may be. However, we must note that extreme conditions can and will become more extreme in a powerfully trending market; hence this is the "caveat" to trading with the BLI in isolation.

#### 2. BLI Divergences: Positive/Negative

A divergence is said to have occurred when the price and BLI do not make new lows/highs together. They in effect "diverge", with the BLI not confirming the prevailing trend. If the BLI turns higher/lower from below a previous BLI low/high – then a divergence is said to have occurred, of which the probability is increased that the trend is changing in favor of the BLI direction.

### 3. BLI Reversals from Positive/Negative Levels

Another very good BLI trading pattern which denotes a strongly stock is when the BLI turn higher from already
positive levels – this suggests a strong upwards acceleration is underway. Conversely, a turn lower from already
negative numbers suggests a strong downward acceleration is underway.