INVESTMENT FORUM AGENDA FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2012 <u>AT 10:30AM</u>

The Forum will meet at 10:30 AM on December 5 and 12, which will be the last meeting for the year.

The Week that Was. Stocks had a good week, the 3 1/2 days the markets were open. The DOW was up 3.4%; the S&P was up 3.6%; and the NASDAQ was up 4%. For no good reason, that I can tell, other than some happy talk that our politicians will avoid the fiscal cliff. Did anybody whiff any substance from the budget discussions? I didn't, either.

Energy. Tom Crooker expects to attend on Wednesday, and will talk energy.

Big Banks. The four largest banks in the US: J P Morgan (JPM,) Bank of America (BAC,) Citigroup (C,) and Wells Fargo (WFC) have assets equal to 60% of GDP, and over 60% of the banking system. The are also in the "Too Big To Fail" category. I will take a look at the four banks, and how they look as investments.

Upcoming. Paul Chrisman, from Merrill Lynch, will talk to us about when to sell, at the December 12 Forum session. Bob Springer recommends Paul and has arranged his presentation.

Buys and Sells. The buy and sell list, from November 14, was either lost, or nobody did any trades. The sheet will be passed around this week.

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