

**INVESTMENT FORUM AGENDA FOR WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2021,
10:30AM**

The Zoom link for the club sessions is 861 3821 8978, Passcode 984305. The Zoom link can also be found in the Daily Schedule or through the Member Portal.

We will meet as a “club” at 10:30AM, until the beginning of the Fall Term, on September 22.

Registration for the Fall Term begins August 16, and ends Tuesday, August 24, at
12 Noon.

Markets

When did the Forum ever not meet for three straight weeks? Zoom hiccups notwithstanding, we are back in session and have a lot to cover, including three weeks of buys and sells.

Sometimes Mr. Market just wants to go up, and it is best to simply go along for the ride. For the week ending 8/13, the DOW was up 0.9%; the S&P was up 0.7%; the NASDAQ was down 0.1%; and the Russell 2000 was down 1.1%. All are at or near all-time highs, buoyed by blow-out earnings in the second quarter. All eyes are on the Fed’s annual Jackson Hole Economic Symposium August 26 to 28, but does anybody really think the Fed will do something to take away the punch bowl?

Topics This Week

Buys and Sells. Bob Baker will look at the buys and sells for the past three weeks.

Buys and Sells

Buys (week ending 8/13/2020)

Cigna (CI)

Caretrust REIT (CTRE) - add

Getty Realty Corp (FTY) - add

Walgreens Boots Alliance (WBA)

Medical Properties Trust (MPW) - add

Hercules Capital (HTGC) - add
Athene Holding (ATH) - add
IAC/Interactive Corp (IAC) - add
II-VI Corp (II-VI)
DocuSign (DOCU)
Upstart (UPST) - 2 buys
Vanguard Growth ETF (VUG)
Schlumberger (SLB)
Applied Materials (AMAT) - add
Matterport Inc (MTTR)
Shopify (SHOP)
MongoDB (MDB)
Twilio (TWLO)
Fiver (FVRR)
Sea Ltd (SE)

Buys (2 weeks ending 8/6/2021)

CVR Energy (CVI) - add
Amazon (AMZN) - add
Applied Materials (AMAT)
Upstart Holdings (UPST) - add
Lightning Emotors (ZEV) - add
Medical Properties Trust (MPW) - add
Altria (MO) - add
AT&T (T) - add
Getty Realty (TGY) - add
Williams Companies (WMB) - add
Ark Space Exploration ETF (ARKX) - add
Ark Innovation ETF (ARKK) - add
Lockheed Martin (LMT)
Gaming & Leisure Products (GLPI)
Pinnacle West Capital Corp (PNW) - add
Cardinal Health (CAH) - add
Facebook (FB) - add
General Electric (GE) - add
Bristol Myers (BMY) - add
Novo Nordisk (NVO) - add
Buy to close \$115 IJR call, expire 8/20/2021
Etsy (ETSY) - add

Robinhood (HOOD)

Sells (week ending 8/13/2020)

Ford (F) - trim

Mid-American Apartment Communities (MAA) -trim

Emerson Electric (EMR) - trim

CVS (CVS) - trim

SoFI Technologies (SOFI)

Sell to open \$145 AAPL put, expire 9/15/2023

Sell to open \$2,750 GOOGL put, expire 6/16/2023

Sell to open \$375 FB put, expire 6/16/2023

Sell to open \$1,620 SHOP put, expire 1/20/2023

Sells (2 weeks ending 8/6/2021)

Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF (VWO)

Intel (INTC)

Emerson Electric (EMR) - trim

Mid-America Apartment Communities (MAA) - trim

Schwab US Broad Market ETF (SCHB) - trim

Texas Instruments (TXN)

Invesco WilderHill Clean Energy ETF (PBW)

Qualcomm (QCOM) - trim

Vanguard Total International Stock Index (VXUS) - trim

Sell to open %225 IJR call, expire 9/17/2021

Moderna (MRNA) - trim

Novovax (NVAX) - trim

Advisor trades

Constellation Brands (STZ) - buy/add

Magna International (MGA) - buy

Broadcom (AVGO) - sell

Vanguard FTSE Pacific ETF (VPL) - sell

Thinking about . . .

Invesco S&P 500 Quality ETF (SPHQ)

Future topics.

Robo Advisors. Last week's Barron's has a report on the evolving robo advisor industry, which we have been following. It appears competitive, and a low-cost alternative to (live) financial advisors. We will look at it at a future session.

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