

TOM CROOKER INVESTMENT FORUM AGENDA FOR APRIL 25, 2012, 11:45AM

Tom Crooker will be the Forum Moderator this week.

The Week that Was. The markets (mostly) broke their two week losing streak. The DOW was up 1.4%; the S&P was up 0.6%, and the NASDAQ was down 0.4%, due to Apple being down 5.3% for the week (indicating the law of gravity has not been repealed.) Early corporate earnings for the first quarter look good. But Spain and their economy and their debt are concerns. Will the markets be whipsawed by Spain like it was by Greece (which economy is less than 1/4 the size of Spain?) Let's hope not.

April jobs' numbers are expected to be an indicator whether the bad March numbers will continue, or be a bump in an otherwise more favorable employment picture.

The 10-Year T was 1.96%, down from 1.98% the previous week.

Here's Tom! Tom Crooker will discuss stock investment strategies and Berkshire Hathaway.

Bob Springer on Gold, Part 2. Bob will continue his discussion on Gold, including gold investment vehicles and strategies.

Forum Members Buys and Sells, 4/18/2012

Buys

British Petroleum (BP)
T. Rowe Price Capital Appreciation Fund (PRWCX)
PIMCO Total Return ETF (BOND)
NYSE World Leaders Index (NYL)

Sells

Yahoo (YHOO)
Sprint Nextel (S)
Chesapeake Energy Corp. (CHK)
T. Rowe Price Virginia Tax-Free Bond Fund (PRVAX)
I Shares I-Boxx Corporate Bond ETF (LQD)

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