



CHAPTER NEWS

Spring Newsletter



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President's Message

Just a couple of weeks ago, we made our clocks "Spring Forward". That means spring is here and it's time for new growth - flowers are springing up everywhere, grass is starting to grow and we should be growing also. That is why we are bringing you our spring educational day - Spring Into Action - Become a Better Investor.

Once again this year our guests will be Mark Robertson and Ken Kavula. They will share a full morning of investing education. After lunch, they will join with some of our directors for a "Let's Talk Stocks" session where we will share several actionable investing ideas for you to take away and study for yourself and your club.

Ken is a BI Director from the Mid-Michigan Chapter and a respected teacher in his chapter, at the National Convention and he and Mark travel the country teaching investors the benefits of long-term investing. Ken also is involved in four investment clubs and brings education directly to the Mid-Michigan clubs. He has also served in

many volunteer roles at the National level, including Chairman of the BetterInvesting National Convention.

Mark comes to us from Manifest Investing. He is the founder and managing partner. Manifest Investing features an e-newsletter focusing on long-term investing and the principles taught to us by George Nicholson, the father of the Investment Club movement. Manifest's focus is on investment education and enabling investors to experience successful long-term fundamental investing with their personal investing or retirement plans. Mark formerly served as senior contributing editor for Better Investing magazine.

To register for our event, click here <https://new.betterinvesting.org/pittsburgh> and visit the Events page.

I would also like to honor the following clubs for celebrating five year increment anniversaries this year:

Koppel Investment Club, Koppel, PA - 50 Years

Mayvest Investment Club, Saint Mary's, PA - 30 Years

Six-Pack Investment Club, Coraopolis, PA - 30 Years

Johnstown Investment Club, Johnstown, PA - 25 Years

Serious Investment Club, Cranberry Township, PA - 20 Years

Congratulations to each of these clubs. Certificates recognizing these clubs will be delivered over the next month or so.

Finally, I want to remind all of our clubs that you can take advantage of your free member benefit and have one of our directors visit your club. We can stop in at a meeting and provide an education program or an update on what is new and exciting with the online tools. Just contact me to set up a time for a visit. You can drop me an email at the address below.

Happy Spring and Better Investing!

Nick Stratigos

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Annual Chapter Education Event

May 4th, 2019 – Spring Into Action – Education Day – 8:30 am – 2:00 pm

[Tolerico's Restaurant](#) 2525 Monroeville Blvd., Monroeville , Pennsylvania 15146

Cost: \$45.00 Continental Breakfast and Lunch

Please mark your calendar for our annual education day.

The Pittsburgh Chapter of BetterInvesting is pleased to welcome back Mark Robertson of Manifest Investing and Ken Kavula of the Mid-Michigan Chapter of BetterInvesting. They will be our guest speakers for our education day.

Mark Robertson is the founder and managing partner of Manifest Investing (manifestinvesting.com). Manifest Investing features an e-newsletter focusing on successful long-term investing including web based investment research and features for stock and fund screening. Other tools provide resources for portfolio design and management. The focus is on investment education and enabling investors to experience successful long-term fundamental investing with their personal investing or retirement plans. Mark formerly served as senior contributing editor for Better Investing magazine and has appeared on National Public Radio, CNBC, and ABC to discuss long-term investing. He has worked with Smart Money, Barron's, Money Magazine, and Motley Fool and published features in the Chicago Tribune and a number of local publications.

Ken Kavula is a retired educator who taught calculus and served as a high school principal for 21 years. Ken is a long-time officer of the Mid-Michigan Chapter of BetterInvesting and a National Volunteer. He has served the chairman of the Great Lakes Coalition, a group of six chapters that organized the BI Regional Conferences (BIRC) held in the Great Lakes area. In addition, he served as the Region Manager for the North Central Region of BetterInvesting and was Chairman of the 2008 BetterInvesting National Convention (BINC). Ken belongs to four investment clubs, the Wolves Investment Club, the BI Brighton Model Club, the Mid-Michigan Model Club and a family club. He lives near Flint, Michigan with his wife Natalie, with four young grandchildren nearby.

At the end of the day, Mark and Ken will join our educators in a live version of the ever popular "Let's Talk Stocks" and share some investing ideas with our members and guests.

For more information about this educational event, and to register, go to:

<https://new.betterinvesting.org/pittsburgh/local-events/spring-into-action-become-a-better-investor>

May 1st, 2019 8:30 - 10:00 pm - BetterInvesting National Event - Stock Up

Topic : Research Starter Kit

Free - Members event

Good research is essential to making profitable investment decisions. In this session, Marion Michel highlights some common sources of research and what to look for in the reports. Marion Michel is a director and popular instructor with the Silicon Valley Chapter, and is currently serving as the Chapter President.



Money Smart Week (<https://www.moneysmartweek.org/>)

Money Smart Week helps consumers manage their personal finances better. Programs are offered to all demographics and income levels, and cover all facets of personal finance.

In conjunction with Money Smart Week, the chapter will hold sessions at two locations around Pittsburgh.

The session will introduce the attendees to some of the vocabulary of investing. Then they will learn how to identify quality growth companies to invest in. The Stock Selection Guide (SSG), the tool used by members of BetterInvesting, will be introduced to demonstrate its use to determine if a company is a growth company and evaluate a fair price to pay for the shares of the company's stock.

Pittsburgh North : Tuesday, April 9th, 2019 6:30pm-8:00pm

<https://new.betterinvesting.org/pittsburgh/local-events/intro-to-investing-money-smart-week-north>

Shaler North Hills Public Library, 1822 Mt Royal Blvd., Glenshaw, Pennsylvania 15116

Free- Open to public

Pittsburgh East : Wednesday, April 17th, 2019 7:00pm-8:45pm

<https://new.betterinvesting.org/pittsburgh/local-events/intro-to-investing-money-smart-week-east>

Monroeville Public Library, 4000 Mossdale Gateway Campus Blvd, Monroeville, Pennsylvania 15108

Free- Open to public

Pittsburgh Chapter Model Investment Clubs

The Pittsburgh Chapter sponsors two Model Investment Clubs. Monthly meetings of both clubs are always open to visitors. Learn how a club operates and evaluates possible investment opportunities. One club meets in the Monroeville Library, the other meets in Northland Library in McCandless Township. For more information, go to <https://new.betterinvesting.org/pittsburgh/model-investment-club>

Your Pittsburgh Chapter officers are:

President – Nick Stratigos

Vice President – Pat Donnelly

Secretary – Cindy Custer

Treasurer – Arlene Haskins

Immediate Past President – Gary Tipton

If you have any questions for the chapter, please send them to contact@pittsburgh.betterinvesting.net