



News from the Heart of Illinois Chapter

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WELCOME ILLOWA BUY STATE Chapter to the Heart of Illinois Chapter. At least to those members who have Illinois ZIP Codes. (The Iowa ZIP Codes were merged with the Heartland Chapter). Because of the recent restructure of BetterInvesting regions announced last May by the home office, it was decided that the Illowa Chapter (including the Quad Cities area) would merge into the Heart of Illinois Chapter (HOIC). Also, it was determined that some clubs from the Rockford, Illinois area would be part of HOIC. We welcome them, too.

Allen Holdsworth, who was such a huge asset for the Illowa Chapter and the folks in the Quad Cities area, will continue his love of teaching and visiting clubs for HOIC. In fact, he has become a Director on the HOIC Board, and is now a regular on our monthly Roundtable board meetings. He will also be teaching a Money Smart Week session in Pekin, IL in April. (See the Money Smart Week information calendar below).



This is the Heart of Illinois Chapter's official welcome to the Illinois members of the former Illowa Buy States Chapter and to those members in the Quad Cities and Rockford areas, as well. We stand ready to help every member and club reach their investing potential using the tried and true methods of BetterInvesting through education. We're prepared to visit with your club and bring an educational component on whatever investing topic you want. Feel free to contact any HOIC Director for more information and help. (See the Director Roster below).

MONEY SMART WEEK is just around the corner. Created by the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago in 2002, Money Smart Week® is a public awareness campaign designed to help consumers better manage their personal finances. Programming is offered to all demographics and income levels and covers all facets of personal finance. BetterInvesting and HOIC is proud to be a participating partner of this important program.

UPDATE YOUR PROFILE, please. Login to the BetterInvesting website home page, find the "Update Profile" tab next to your name on the bar near the top and make sure your information is correct on the Profile page.

Then scroll down to "Email Subscription Information" and be sure the 'Local Chapter News and Events' is checked in order to receive the HOIC Newsletter and monthly notices of our Roundtable Educational Snippets – a monthly feature at our board meetings. Don't forget to press the SAVE CHANGES button at the bottom of the page. Make this a semi-annual or annual task; people's demographic information changes all the time, but we forget to keep our Profiles updated.

WE LOVE VISITING CLUBS! This is our fifth year for visiting clubs in the Heart of Illinois Chapter. That means we will begin a new 5-year cycle celebrating your club's anniversary again. If your club's name appears below, we will be calling your Club Contact soon to make arrangements to deliver your special recognition certificate. We look forward to visiting with you again, and making plans to renew relationships we made in 2014.

We are happy to celebrate with you, and hope we can be of help to you in some way as we come to visit your club and present your Certificate. If you'd like to celebrate by having a picnic, let us know. The following clubs celebrate milestone anniversaries this year:

Anniversary Year	Club	Location
50	Stockinette Investment Club	Peoria, IL
45	Speculators Club	Rockford, IL
35	Odd Lot Investments	LaSalle, IL
35	4M Investment Club	Ottawa, IL
30	Silver Lining Investment Club	Prophetstown, IL
25	Future Prophets Investment Club	Germantown Hills, IL
25	Invest-Hers Investment Club	Davenport, IA
25	Friends Investment Club - Quad Cities	Moline, IL
15	Slicer Investment Club	Davenport, IA

NEW DIRECTORS were added to our Roster recently. As mentioned earlier, we welcome Allen Holdsworth, a director formerly with the Illowa Buy State Chapter. Also, we want to extend a hearty welcome to Gary Simms from the Decatur area. You may remember him as a former HOIC Board member who was proficient in all things concerning Mutual Funds.

Our Directors stand ready to assist in any way they can. We are closer than you think:

President: Bobbie Kincaid - Pekin
 Vice President: Nancy Leigh - Avon
 Secretary: Judy Kelsheimer - Springfield
 Asst Secretary: Elaine Swope - Normal
 Treasurer: Bob Picton - Peoria
 Lilly Eckert – Decatur
 Steve Emmerich – Petersburg

Gary Simms - Oakley
 Allen Holdsworth – Aledo
 Karen Hurst - Morton
 Chiko Tsukamoto - Carlock
 Betty Sinnock - Havana
 Chris Wissmiller - Bloomington

Check out our new Chapter webpage on the BetterInvesting website for contact information to reach any of these directors or email contact@heartofillinois.betterinvesting.net.

The Heart of Illinois Chapter of BetterInvesting

Will present the following free programs during

MONEY SMART WEEK

March 30 – 10:30 a.m. – Noon – “Wish We’d Have Known This Before She Died” (Kelsheimer)
Lincoln Library, Carnegie Room North, 326 S. 7th St., Springfield, IL 62701

April 3 – 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – “Value Line – An Untapped Investing Resource” (Emmerich)
Lincoln Library, Carnegie Room South, 326 S. 7th Street, Springfield, IL 62701

April 4 – 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. “Two Things You Must Know to Successfully Pick Stocks” (Tsukamoto)
Carlock Public Library, 202 E. Washington St., Carlock, IL 61725

April 4 – 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – “When to Sell Stocks” (Holdsworth)
Pekin Public Library, 301 S. 4th St., Pekin, IL 61554

April 6 – 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. – “How to Start an Investment Club” (Kincaid)
Pekin Public Library, 301 S. 4th St., Pekin, IL 61554

April 6 – 11:00 a.m. – Noon – “Secrets of Picking Wealth-Building Stocks” (Kincaid)
Pekin Public Library, 301 S. 4th St., Pekin, IL 61554

April 13 – 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – “You’re 10! Time to Start Saving for Retirement” (Kincaid)
Warren County Public Library, 52 Public Square, Monmouth, IL 61462

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ANY OF THESE FREE PROGRAMS,
CALL 309.267.0471, OR EMAIL bobbiekincaid@comcast.net**

MONEY SMART WEEK[®]
MARCH 30 - APRIL 6, 2019



2019 EVENTS CALENDAR — save for future use. This schedule of events will help you remember that all who are reading this newsletter are welcome to join in on our monthly Roundtable GTM board meetings. We spend the first fifteen to twenty minutes delivering an educational segment on a topic of interest to all. We have learned about some pretty interesting things in the last couple of years that we have been doing this. After that segment is over, you may choose to leave the meeting or stay on to see what the Chapter is doing. Of course, we’d like to have you volunteer to be a part of the HOIC.

2019 HOIC EVENTS SCHEDULE		
MONTH	DATE	ACTIVITY
JANUARY	7	Board Meeting/Roundtable GTM 7 PM - Steve Emmerich to present
FEBRUARY	4	Board Meeting/Roundtable GTM 7 PM - Bobbie Kincaid to present
	9	Treasurer's IRS Workshop--Webinar--Starts at 10 AM - Facilitated by Bob Picton
MARCH	4	Board Meeting/Roundtable GTM 7 PM - Bob Picton to present
MAR/APR	Mar 30 - Apr 6	Smart Money Week -- Financial Literacy Month. Various locations and investing education topics planned beginning April 4. Details will follow
APRIL	8	Board Meeting/Roundtable GTM 7 PM - Nancy Leigh to present
MAY	6	Board Meeting/Roundtable GTM 7 PM - Chris Wissmiller to present
	16-19	BINC in CHICAGO, Illinois - Register Here: http://www.betterinvesting.org/biconvention
JUNE	3	Board Meeting/Roundtable GTM 7 PM - Bobbie Kincaid to present
	22	Directors Attendance Required*** Annual Board and Planning Meeting - 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM - Carlock Public Library, 202 E. Washington, Carlock, IL
JULY	20	Club Gathering Event--Location TBA--Details TBA - Always a FUN time!
AUGUST	5	Board Meeting/Roundtable GTM 7 PM - Chiko Tsukamoto to present
SEPTEMBER	9	Board Meeting/Roundtable GTM 7 PM - Steve Emmerich to present
OCTOBER	7	Board Meeting/Roundtable GTM 7 PM - Karen Hurst to present
	26	Portfolio Sharing - Warren County Public Library, Monmouth, IL
NOVEMBER	4	Board Meeting/Roundtable GTM 7 PM - Bobbie Kincaid to present
DECEMBER	2	Board Meeting/Roundtable GTM 7 PM - Judy Kelsheimer to present
		PRESENTATIONS MADE AT MONTHLY MEETINGS ARE 10-20 MINUTES IN LENGTH, AND WILL BE ON A TOPIC OF INTEREST TO ALL BI INVESTORS.

BINC IN CHICAGO – begins on Thursday, May 16, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. The current pricing special will expire March 31, 2019. To register just click on [2019 BINC Registration](#) to reserve your spot at BINC. Also, make your hotel reservation EARLY at the Chicago Marriott O'Hare, as there is an extraordinary demand for hotel rooms because of another convention happening the same time as ours. The special BINC room rate is just \$129 per night and parking is a reduced rate of \$12 per day. Make your reservation at [Hotel Reservation](#). Don't use Internet sites (like Travelocity, Priceline, Trivago, etc.). They do not have the corporate information needed to get you the proper reduced rate of \$129. What are you waiting for — register today for BINC and save!

Renowned financial technician Ralph Acampora will be our keynote speaker and he will share his views on the stock market.

You can make a difference in someone's financial future by Sharing the Wealth of your knowledge of investing and inviting them to attend 2019 BINC. Someone made a difference in your life by sharing the mission of BetterInvesting. Who are you going to influence and invite to 2019 BINC? Remember, students and persons under age 30 can register for only \$295!