

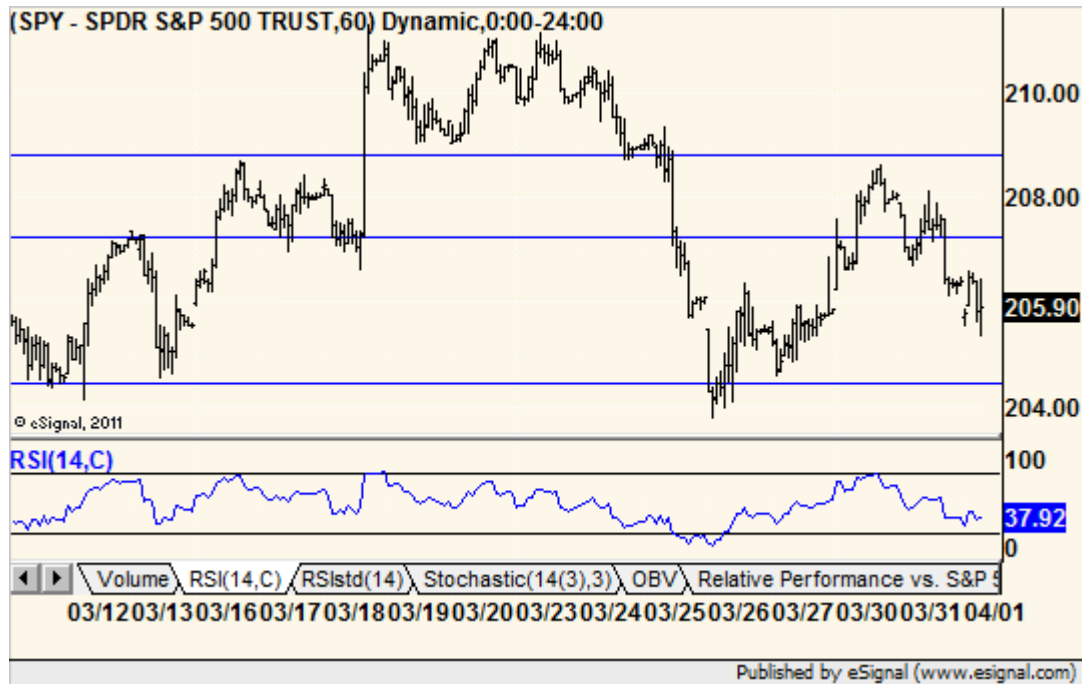
# QUICK TAKES PRO

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**April 1, 2015** – A pullback was to be expected after Monday's gains but Tuesday's decline was a bit disconcerting. Volume was up, too, but then again it was the final day of the quarter so all the mutual fund posturing distorts things.

Today we will enjoy the punditry over the lack of Iran deal, religious freedom laws, weak earnings season, QE in Europe and the quick drop and recovery of stock futures overnight. So many topics yet we cannot come up with a good April Fool's joke.



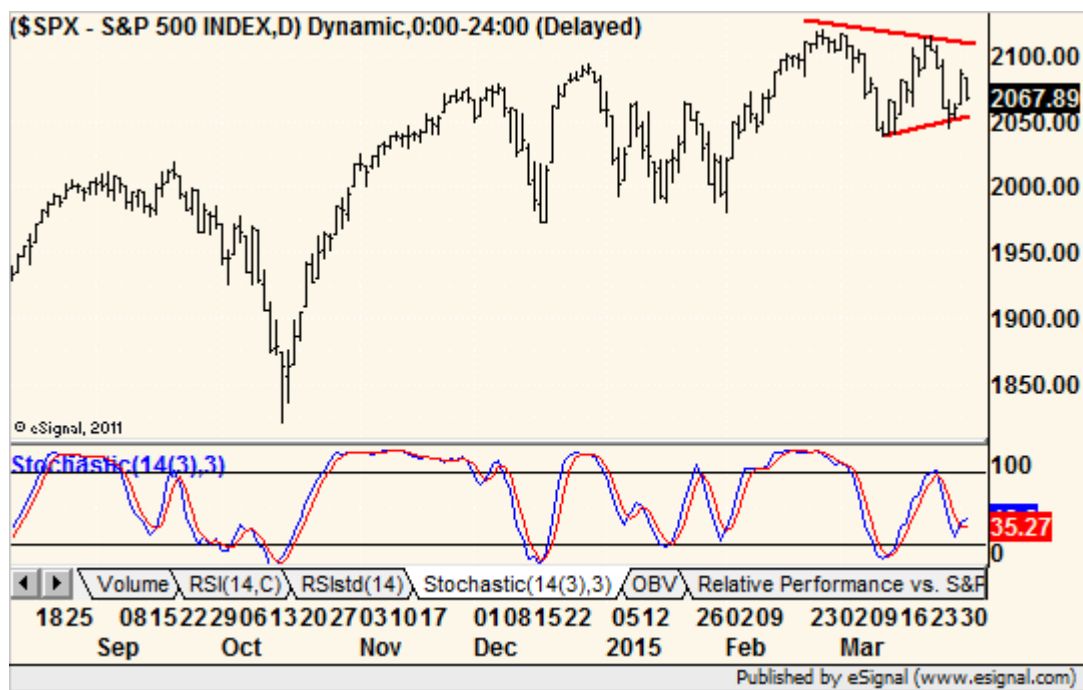
So when the news is all over the place, we turn to the chart and see that the **SPY** is finally starting to become fuzzy at the support and resistance levels that have worked so well in March. Even so, we can see a break of support and a continuation move lower making the lower line the approximate target. We cannot say if price will actually dip that low but for now it seems that stocks are weaker.

But over in Europe, markets are up quite nicely in part to stimulus and that keeps a floor under the market here. This, even as a few negatives appeared in biotech and retail. These are unconfirmed reversal patterns with the emphasis on unconfirmed.

In oil, there has not been much movement lately save for the one-day wonder rally last week.

Again, keeping it light with bullish bias to ride out the current short-term market dip.

## Index Charts of the Day



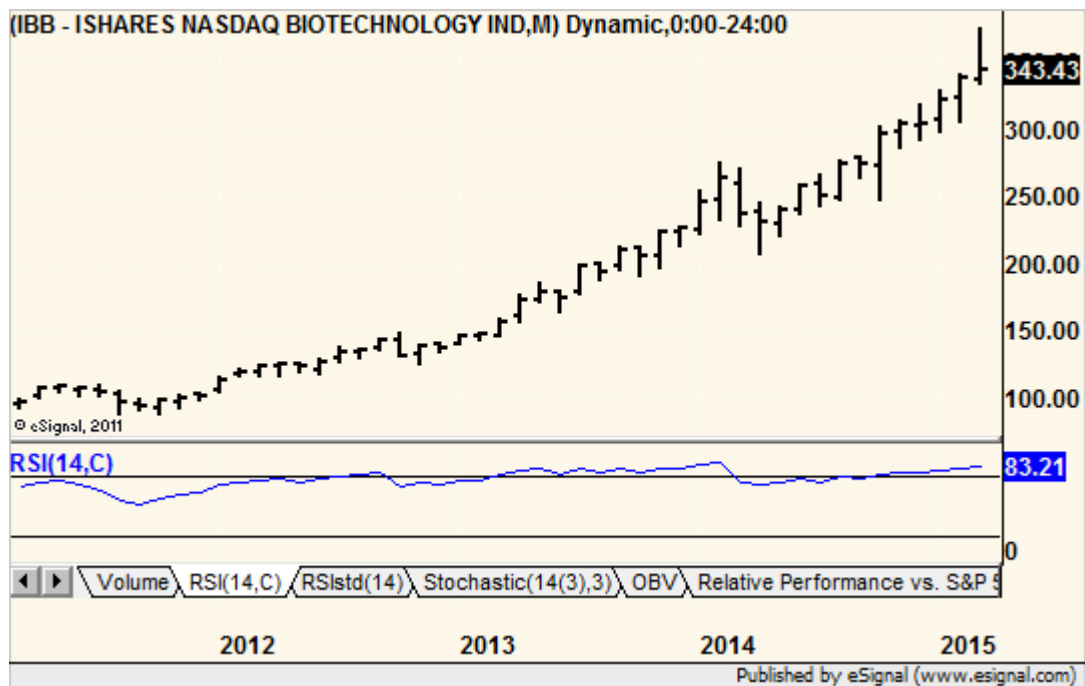
Here is the S&P 500 chart just because we like to show “something.” There is nothing new on this or any other index chart although we have added a triangle possibility.

## The Radar Screen

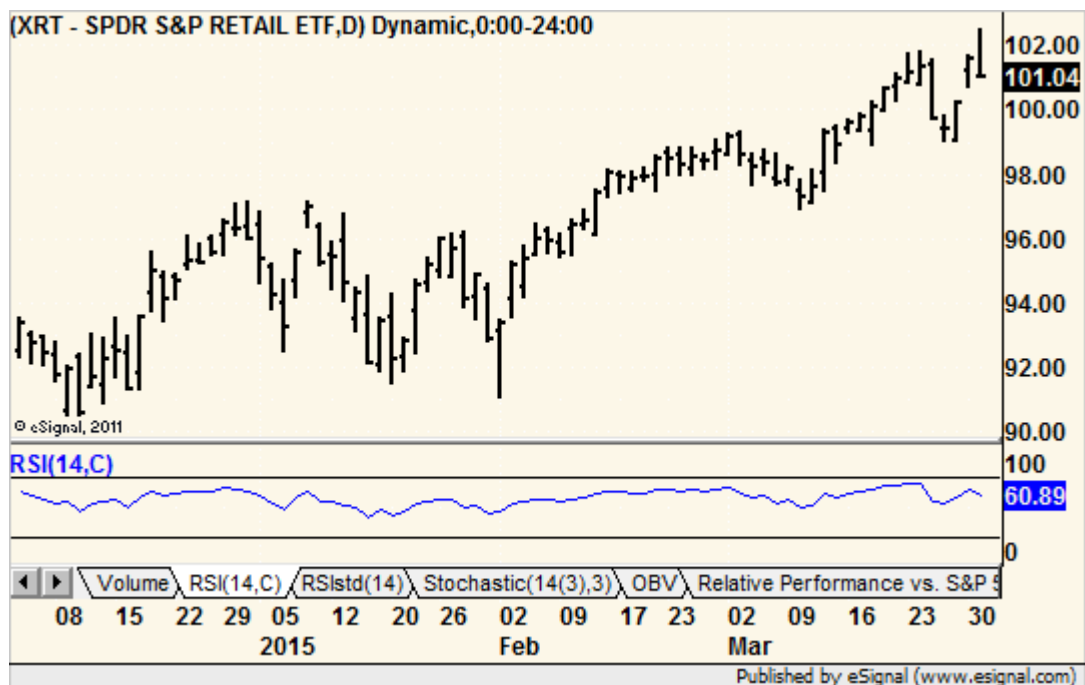
This is a list of potential opportunities, not a recommended portfolio. Underlined text is a change from previous report and if important it will be highlighted in yellow. If and when stocks give buy or sell signals here, they then move into the Advice Tracker section below. Dates listed are first appearances in the Radar Screen or the last major update. We do not take "buy/sell on close" triggers or "at the open" triggers if the stock moves more than 4-5%. See <http://quicktakespro.com/radar.html> for all Radar Screen rules and terms.

<b>Bullish Implications</b>		
<b>Navios Maritime NM</b> – We looked at the shipping index Friday. Here is a dry shipper looking to come out of a base. Nice volume last week. Buy close over 4.65. <u>This may take some time but we must be patient.</u>		3/23
<b>Nabors NBR</b> – We had this as a Subscriber Corner stock so now we are making it official. Buy the base breakout with a close above 14.00.		3/31
<b>Chicago Bridge and Iron CBI</b> – Looks like a bottoming pattern with trend break, pause and secondary break. Super low P/E. Buying.	<b>New</b>	4/1
<b>Bearish Implications</b>		
<b>Bed Bath and Beyond BBY</b> – Another sell candidate on a support break. Already under a rolling-over 50-day average and sports falling on-balance volume. Sell close under 73.60. <u>Getting far from trigger.</u>		3/30
<b>HR Block HRB</b> – Already below both major averages. Sell a close under support 31.50. <u>Up nicely on a down day. If it does break down then it will be powerful</u>		3/31
<b>Unknown Implications</b>		
<b>none</b> –		
<b>Holding Tank</b> - red shade leans bearish, green shade leans bullish		
<b>BP BP</b> – Just waiting for a drop to support and drooling over that huge dividend		3/12
<b>Potash Corp POT</b> – This fertilizer stock looks intriguing with a big dividend (ex-div April 9) and a big departure from the mean looking like it wants to snap back. Letting it dip to support and hope it happens in time to capture the dividend.		3/17
<b>Viacom B VIAB</b> – Strong on-balance volume suggests this will break trendline.		3/25
<b>Keurig GMCR</b> – A stock on precipice. It has a moving average death cross last month. Look for a bounce off support line and then a breakdown to sell.		3/30
<b>Standard Pacific SPF</b> – This homebuilder is the embodiment of a stock in a strong group that is just making its move to catch up. A trendline breakout, test and resumption of the rally. On-balance volume high a new high. Buy the dip.		3/30
<b>General Mills GIS</b> – This cereal maker was already on the move before corn was crushed yesterday. This is a nice breakout but it is a bit overbought. Buy the dip.	<b>New</b>	4/1
<b>Illinois Tool Works ITW</b> – Just a stock on bear watch with falling on-balance volume and stalled rally.	<b>New</b>	4/1
<b>Briggs &amp; Stratton BGG</b> – This small engine maker looks encouraging with a big base and rising on-balance volume. Waiting for it to get closer to resistance.	<b>New</b>	4/1
<b>Sector Watch</b> (observations that may spark ideas)		
<b>Marine Shipping Index SHX</b> – Possible double bottom with rising RSI. Close to a 50-day average breakout. Check out dry shippers <b>NM, DRYS, DSX, VLCCF</b>		3/20
<b>Homebuilders</b> – ITB ETF successfully tested long-term breakout		3/20
<b>Semiconductors</b> – nice rebound. Bullish		3/30
<b>Biotech</b> – a nice rebound from the trendline. Buyable but be careful not to chase.		3/30
<b>Broadcasting</b> – watching support		3/31
<b>Specialty Chemicals</b> – Bounced off major support. Check out bull flags in <b>ECL</b> and <b>IFF</b> . <b>CBT</b> possible catch-up candidate.		3/31
<b>Updates</b>		
<b>none</b> –		

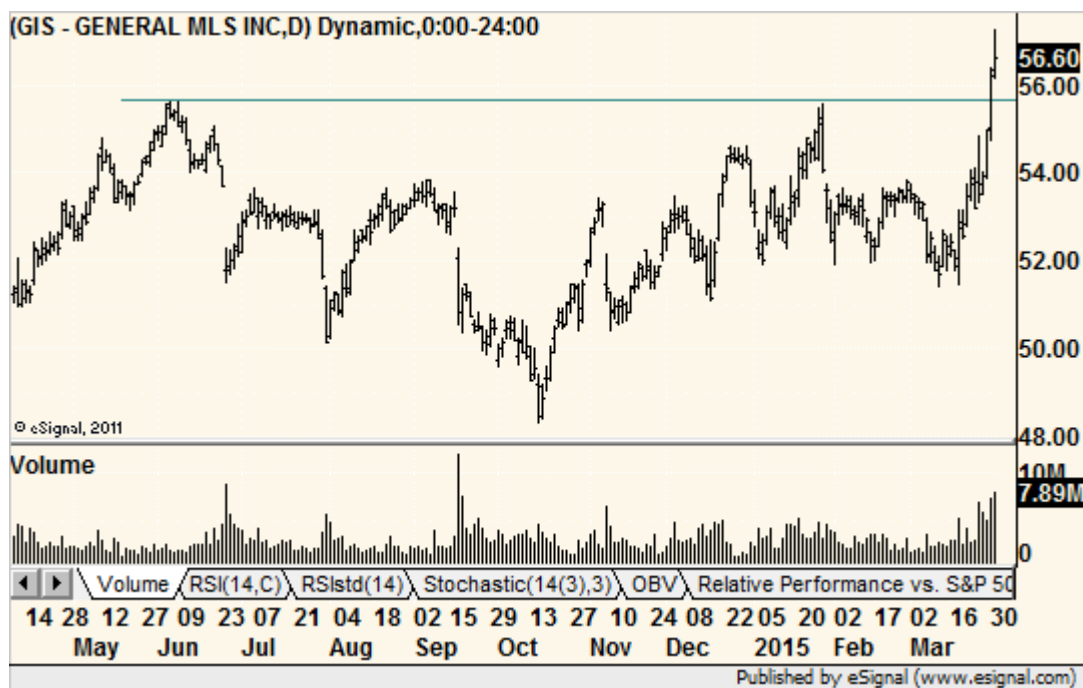
## Market Highlights



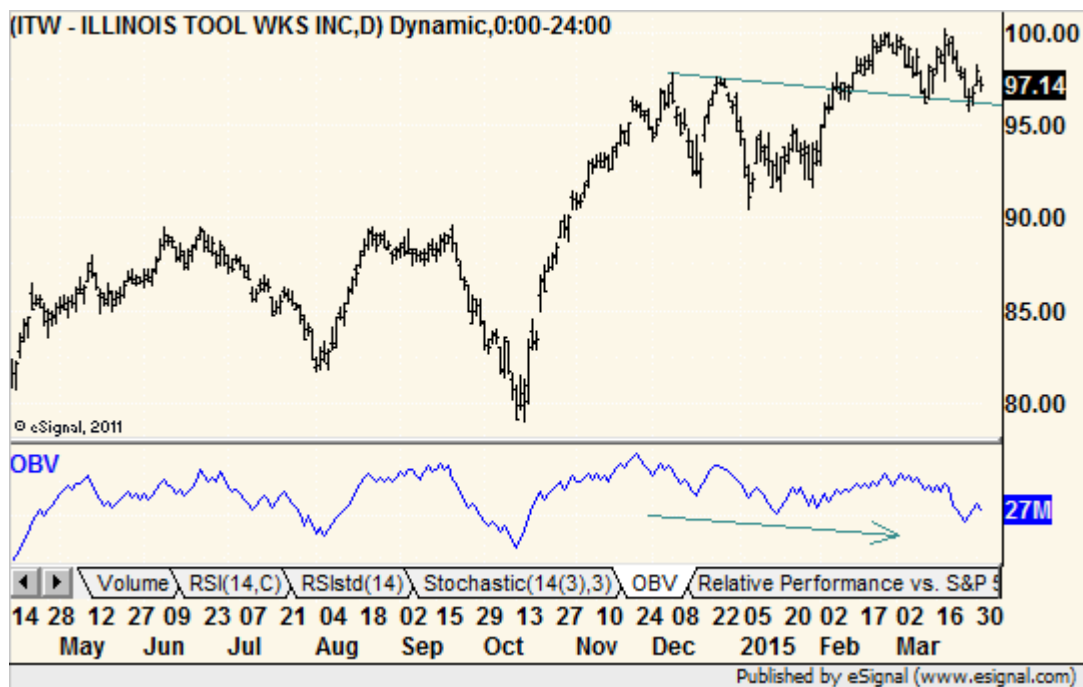
**Nasdaq biotech ETF** – This is a monthly chart with a big tail for March. In candle terms, that would be an inverted hammer and if April closes lower then it would signal a reversal. The weekly chart is not nearly as ominous. And the daily still looks like a simple pullback. Not worried yet but not wearing rose colored glasses, either.



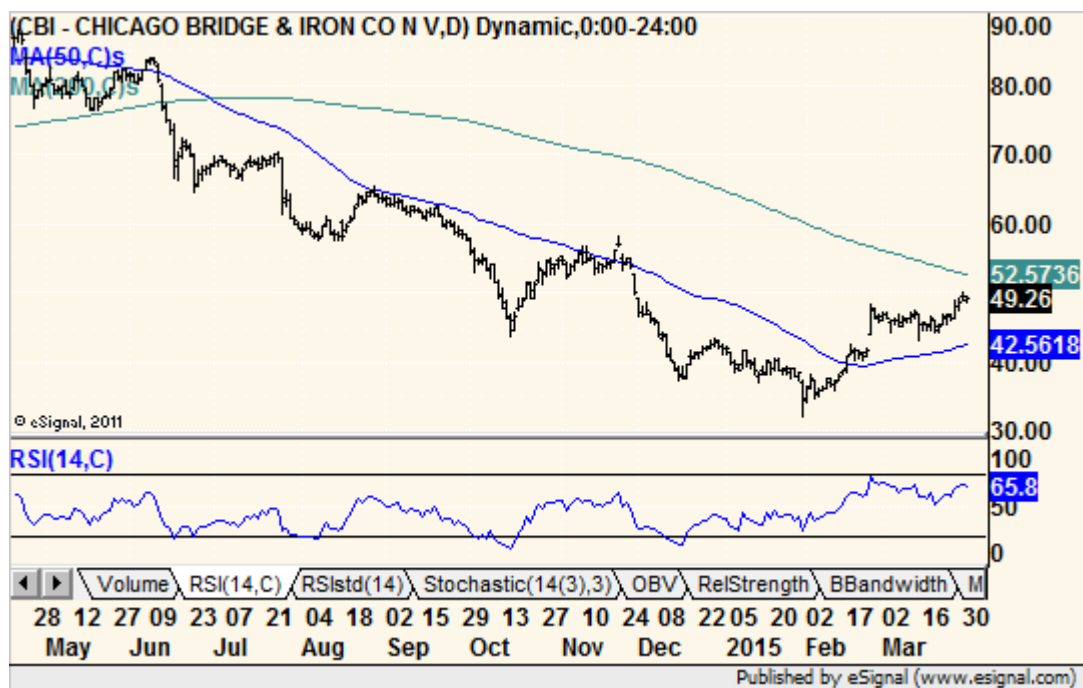
**Retail ETF** – A small daily reversal bar but the trend is still up.



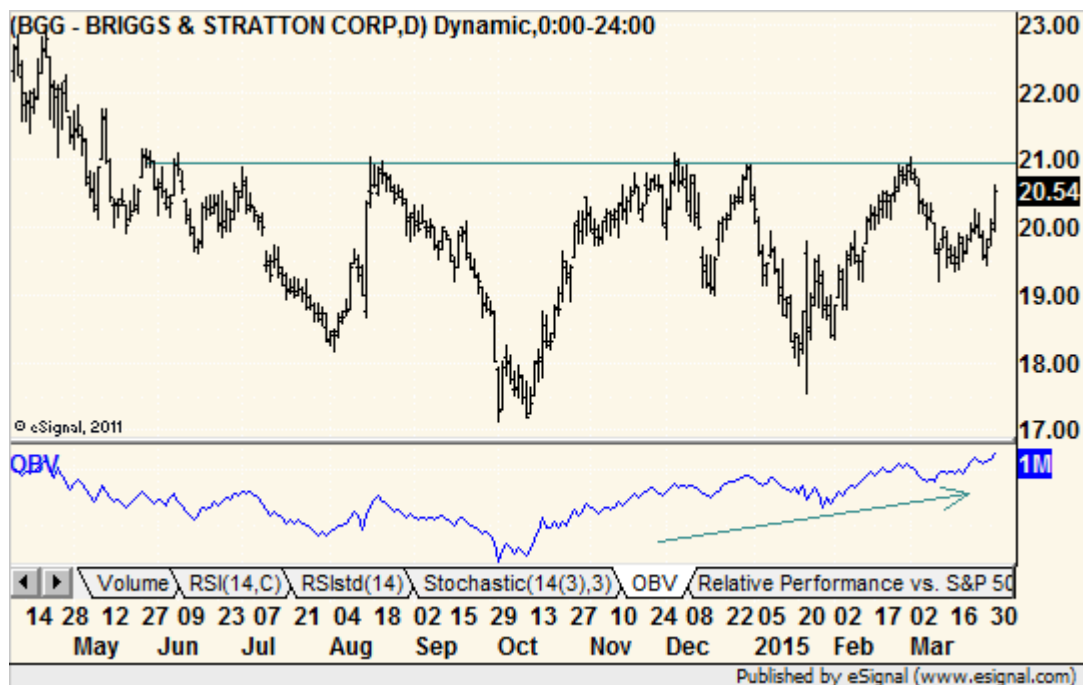
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## Advice Tracker

This is a list of stocks that have triggered buys or sells and not a recommended portfolio. We will track them with suggested strategies but specific stops and position closes are up to the subscriber. Symbols in **red** mean that the position was stopped out. Stops in **red** were changed. Any position that moves in the desired direction and then reverses by 5% from the extreme that day is an automatic stop out. This is to compensate for the inability of this once per day newsletter to alert subscribers to the reversal.

	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>P/L</u>	<u>Stop</u>	<u>Price in</u>	<u>Date in</u>	<u>#Days</u>
<u>Long</u>	<b>MCD</b>	MCDONALDS CORP	97.44	0.5%	95.00	96.91	3/10	21
	<b>WMT</b>	WAL-MART STORES INC	82.25	-1.2%	80.50	83.29	3/16	15
	<b>YHOO</b>	YAHOO INC	44.44	-1.2%	43.50	44.98	3/19	12
	<b>FWM</b>	FAIRWAY GROUP HLDGS CORP	6.77	10.1%	6.40	6.15	3/30	1
	<b>REGN</b>	REGENERON PHARMACEUTICALS	451.48	-1.6%	440.00	459.05	3/30	1
	<b>FB</b>	FACEBOOK INC	82.22	-1.9%	80.00	83.81	3/30	1
<u>Short</u>	<b>none</b>							

**Notes:** Nice little gain in **FWN** (stop raised). Otherwise, considering the market, not a bad day.

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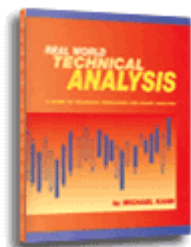
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