

Chris, Ed, Mary, and I started with general discussion and questions.

Then we had recommendations.

Then I gave this presentation on using FINRA to select individual bonds sorted by yield:

http://www.wonderfulwebwork.com/documents/Investing_In_Bonds_2-22-2018_AAI_SIG.pdf

This led to much discussion and no final selections. We were able to sort bonds by yield and research them in many ways, but finding bonds that paid a good yield from companies that would probably survive proved elusive.

After rejecting several bonds, we moved back to general discussions - sector SPDRs, RMD's (Required Minimum Distributions), preferred stocks, and non-corporate bonds were some of our many topics.

Ron Black will present at our March 22, 2018 meeting. For his January meeting, he gave us these links:

https://www.tradingview.com/wiki/Moving_Average

[https://www.tradingview.com/wiki/MACD_\(Moving_Average_Convergence/Divergence](https://www.tradingview.com/wiki/MACD_(Moving_Average_Convergence/Divergence))

Ron said that the above technical analysis methods, based entirely on past prices, were not great predictors, but that some of the technical methods he would show in the future were more helpful and predictive.

Here are links that introduce the technical analysis that Ron will present in March (Thursday, March 22, 2018):

Stochastics:

[https://www.tradingview.com/wiki/Stochastic_\(STOCH\)](https://www.tradingview.com/wiki/Stochastic_(STOCH))

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Accumulation/Distribution:

[https://www.tradingview.com/wiki/Accumulation_Distribution_\(ADL\)](https://www.tradingview.com/wiki/Accumulation_Distribution_(ADL))

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On Balance Volume:

[https://www.tradingview.com/wiki/On_Balance_Volume_\(OBV\)](https://www.tradingview.com/wiki/On_Balance_Volume_(OBV))

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