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### *Let's Review: Our Monthly Newsletter.....08/01/2012*

This Month:

August...the vacation month! With the entire western political world on “holiday” to gather strength for the year ending “political season” we thought it would be fun to remind ourselves of what some great minds have mused over the centuries:

“No party is as bad as its leaders” .... Will Rodgers

“He knows nothing; and he thinks he knows everything. That points clearly to a political career.” .... George Bernard Shaw

“I was really to honest a man to be a politician and live” .... Socrates

“In politics, yesterday’s lie is attacked only to flatter today’s” Jean Rostand

“Politics has become so expensive that it takes a lot of money even to be defeated” .... Will Rodgers

“Idealism is the noble toga that political gentlemen drape over their will to power” .... Aldous Huxley

“One wanders to the left, another to the right. Both are equally in error, but, are seduced by different delusions.” .... Horace (BC 65-8)

“What is a democrat? One who believes that the republicans have ruined the country. What is a republican? One who believes that the democrats would ruin the country.” .... Ambrose Bierce

“The most difficult choice a politician must ever make is whether to be a hypocrite or a liar.” .... Unknown source

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Sometimes it helps to see that our thoughts and fears today were in some form the same in the generations before and yet we managed to get from here to there mostly avoiding disaster. Even in those times we had to deal with disaster, in time we worked our way through.

So when you find yourself talking to the T.V. as the election fever heats up (and you will no matter who you favor or don't favor) remember in the larger picture we have “been there and done that” with things “mostly” working out. Count to ten....read these quotes... and go take a walk!

***Bob Stanton*** (registered principal):

I am starting to realize that we are just not that interesting (starting? Yeah I know what you are thinking) but everyone loves to see pictures of my yard projects...right:



***Ron Castleton*** (registered principal):

Not much to report this month. Kids are back from their journeys, Sunny & I are trying to stay cool and keep some semblance of order in the house. We have a new addition to the house..... a Roomba....if you don't know what that is, Google it! –I was very skeptical at first, but was pleasantly surprised to find it does an excellent job. I am; however, a bit concerned it is in cahoots with the dishwasher!!! Sparky won't go near it!!!

***Amy Duranso*** (administrative assistant):

1 month to go till I say “I Do”! I just returned from a trip home from Wisconsin; my family and friends outdid themselves for my bridal shower

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and bachelorette party; it was amazing and so much fun! This last year has flown by...I hope our wedding day doesn't go by this fast!

**Kevin Kraus** (Business Development):

Knute is ready to return to college and leaves 8/23. I'll be seeing him again in October while visiting when Salisbury receives their NCAA Lacrosse Championship rings. I have just started my second year of football officiating; Ironically, the high school season begins the same day Knute leaves.

**This month “Financial Topic”:**



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**Benjamin Graham**  
**The Intelligent Investor**

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*The Numbers:*

**Monthly Closing Values and Changes / 07-31-2012**

<b>DOLLAR</b>	<b>Stronger vs. Euro</b>	<b>NASDAQ</b>	2,939.52	+4.47
<b>10-YR YIELD</b>	1.49%	<b>S&amp;P 500</b>	1,378.32	+16.16
<b>VOLUME</b> <small>NYA</small>	3,821,570,048	<b>DJIA</b>	13,008.68	+128.59

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