

Sun City Summerlin Computer Club

**Internet Investing
SIG**

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SIG Meeting Schedule

- The Internet Investing SIG meets every other “even” month on the third Thursday morning at **9:30 AM**.
- The next six meeting dates will be:
 - *August 17, 2017*
 - *October 19, 2017*
 - *December 21, 2017*
 - *February 15, 2018*
 - *April 19, 2018*
 - *June 28, 2018*

Fundamentals Review

- **Dollar remains very strong against foreign currencies.**
 - *Oil priced in dollars – around \$46 / barrel.*
 - *OPEC production cuts offset by US fracking.*
 - *Many energy stocks have risen.*
 - *Other commodity prices and stocks of producers still down.*
- **Headlines: ISIS, Russians in Syria, North Korea, Great Britain.**
 - *“Flight to quality” (Selling stocks and buying US Govt. debt) has eased bond yields down. The 10 year Treasury note now yields about 2.20%
The 30 year Treasury note yield is about 2.86%.*
- **China’s economy & markets struggling.**
- **Eurozone – still in *BIG* trouble due to hoards of refugees.**
- **Federal Reserve likely to raise rates .25% again in June.**
- **Gov’t Claims US Job Situation is improved.**
- **Official Inflation rate as of April 30 was 2.2% / year**
 - *Some fresh food prices have come down (beef, pork, produce)*
 - *NV Gasoline holding (\$2.43 at Costco)*
 - *Medical care & insurance is NOT cheap*

Google Finance

- <https://www.google.com/finance?tab=we>
- Need a Google account so you can log in
- Lots of features on main page:
 - *News*
 - *Indexes*
 - *Portfolio prices*
 - *Stock Screener*
- Can set up portfolios and watch lists
 - *Can enter transactions into portfolios. Once this is done it will track all splits and dividends on each equity.*
- Charting feature comparable to Yahoo Finance
 - *Requires Adobe Flash Player be installed in your web browser*
 - *Several views available that offer all key information*
 - *No way to customize views (that I can find)*
- Site performance is very good

Zero Hedge Website

- www.zerohedge.com
- Mix of political and economic articles and commentary
- Structured as a BLOG – articles in descending order by date/time
- Has a long historical archive
- Often things not covered on mainstream or financial media
- Politically leans to free-market capitalism & libertarianism
- Recent Inflation Article:
 - <http://www.zerohedge.com/news/2017-05-09/devonshire-true-inflation-three-times-higher-officially-reported>

Open Discussion