

"At the Risk of Repeating Myself"

In last Friday's *Morning Tack* we wrote:

The result extended what we believe to be the recent bottoming process around the SPX's 2700 level to be intact, which is building a base for a dash to new all-time high. We would note that a "bounce" off of such a triple bottom (see chart 1 on page 3) is a pretty reliable set-up for such an upside move. A clear upside breakout above 2740 would be a confirmation of that view. Moreover, there is plenty of internal energy to support a decent rally. Further, yesterday's rally left the senior index back above its 200-day moving average, and the SPX back above its 50-DMA.

Well from our mouth to God's ears because last Friday the S&P 500 (SPX/2759.82) vaulted above the 2740 overhead resistance level we wrote about. Support is now visible at the SPX's 200-day moving average (DMA) of 2673.63, as well as its 50-DMA (2723.91). The next upside hurdle should be at the 2790 – 2800 level (chart 2), which we continue to think will be traversed in the weeks ahead with a trading target to the all-time high of 2872.87. The underlying "internal energy" mix is certainly constructive and suggestive of a decent upside move from here. Quite frankly, by our work there just is not much negative energy floating around currently to push prices back down to the 2700 level unless we get some negative / unexpected news. Indeed, our work suggests the anticipated corrective phase that began in January (we called the 2/9/18 intraday low) is over, as our trend model is positive and sentiment is bearish (read: bullishly). Typically, in mid-term election years the summer stock market action is trendless, but tends to make up for the summer doldrums as we approach the fall months.

Clearly the stock market's "internals" are pretty perky with the NYSE Advance/Decline Line continuing to point the way higher, and in the process made yet another new all-time high last week (chart 3). Also of interest is that the D-J Utility Average, and the iShare Real Estate ETF (IYR/\$82.09), have broken out to the upside in the charts, which is amazing given the higher interest rate environment. Also interesting is that after our 18-month bearish stance on the over-priced defensive stocks, like Utilities, Consumer Staples, etc., that complex has turned up in the charts and is finally worthy of portfolio purchase consideration. As our pal Leon Tuey emailed us over the weekend:

Many charlatans always try to exploit people's "negative bias" to attract attention and to sell their service. But as you say, they do serve a useful purpose as a sentiment indicator. Although long retired, many around the world continue to contact me seeking my views on the market. That is very useful as it gives me an insight to investor sentiment. I can tell you that globally, investors are gripped by fear; they are all concerned with the well-advertised "problems." Yet, notice how bullishly the market is behaving? While many are groaning about the market's lack of progress this year, little do they realize that the "the market" has been hitting record highs. Last week, the Advance-Decline Lines closed at record highs. Speaking of sentiment, I love the fact that for two weeks in succession, the AAll Sentiment Survey showed that Bullish sentiment fell below 30%, a low and bullish reading.

Also interesting is that the IYR also closed at a record high, but not surprising for I've been bullish on this sector since 2012. Strength in the IYR is encouraging and is very bullish. As you know, it is interest-sensitive. Therefore, it usually peaks before the major market indices. Despite the gains already achieved, (Leon believes) the IYR will move substantially higher yet in the years ahead. Everybody is sitting around waiting for "clarity," not realizing that the bull market resumed long ago, back in early February. When the major market indices break out to new highs, they will either get really excited trying to get in, or they will complain about the market being over-extended.

Further, last week there were new lows in the Selling Pressure Index and new highs in Buying Power Index. Moreover, the percentage of stocks above their respective 10-DMA's reached a new oversold condition last week that helped support Friday's rally. According to the invaluable Lowry's Research Organization, "[That rally] triggered a new buy-signal on July 5th when the 14-day Stochastic crossed above its moving average." And as the always insightful Jason Goepfert (SentimenTrader) wrote on Friday:

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On a shorter-term time frame, stocks are back in a healthy environment. At least, that's the message being sent by the popular McClellan Oscillator. The indicator is essentially a peak at the momentum of the daily swings in market breadth by comparing two moving averages. When it's above zero (but not too far above), it's a good sign for stocks going forward (chart 4 on page 3). We can see from the table to the right that since 1962, the S&P 500 has returned an annualized 16.1% when the Oscillator is above zero, versus only 1.9% when it's below. The Oscillator's cross above zero is the first time in more than two weeks, after having been as low as -44, not low enough to be extreme. That suggests that while sellers had the upper hand, there wasn't much willingness to press.

To summarize, the upside "chart trigger" signal of May 10th, when the SPX broke out of its wedge chart formation (chart 5 on page 5), suggests the primary stock market uptrend has resumed with an upside trading target above the old all-time high of 2872.87. This view is reinforced by new reaction highs in the RUT, the NDX, and the COMPQ.

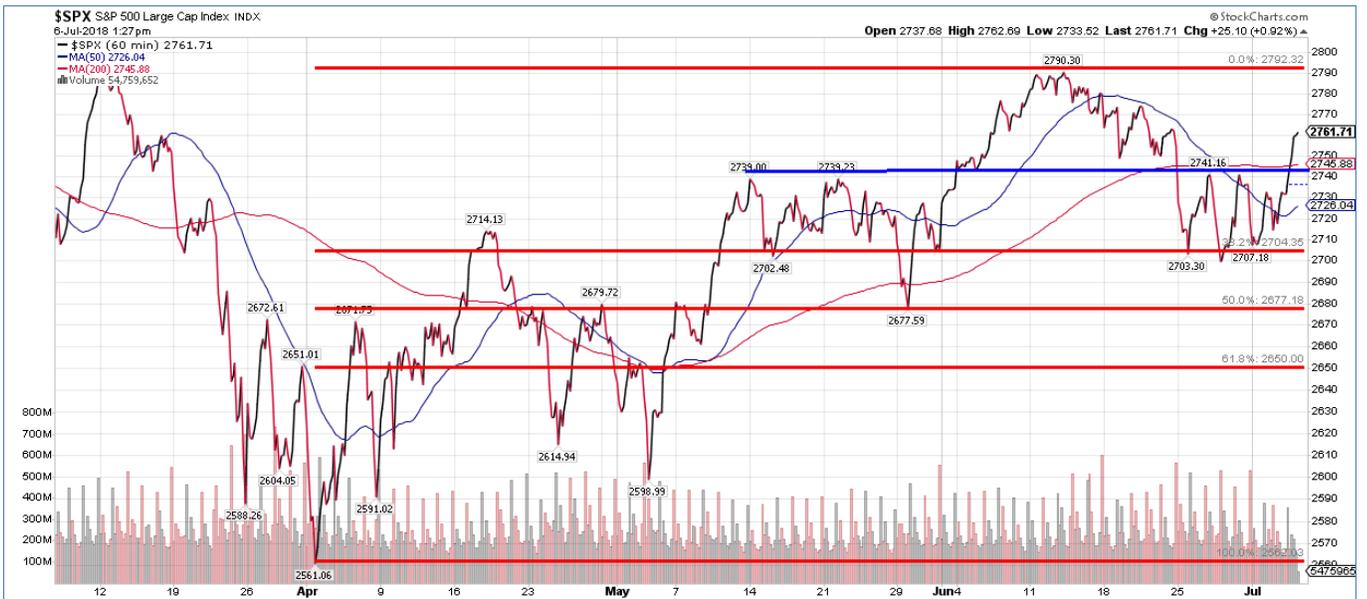
The call for this week: We are bullish and if you are looking for stocks that are favorably rated by our fundamental analysts, and screen well under our proprietary models, some of them are: Extra Space Storage (EXR/\$100.76/Outperform); Hess (HES/\$67.55/Outperform); Genesee & Wyoming (GWR/\$83.28/Strong Buy); and Salesforce (CRM/\$141.40/Strong Buy). This morning the preopening S&P 500 futures are better by 10 points as we write at 5:11 a.m. on no real overnight news.

Chart 1



Source: Thomson Reuters

Chart 2



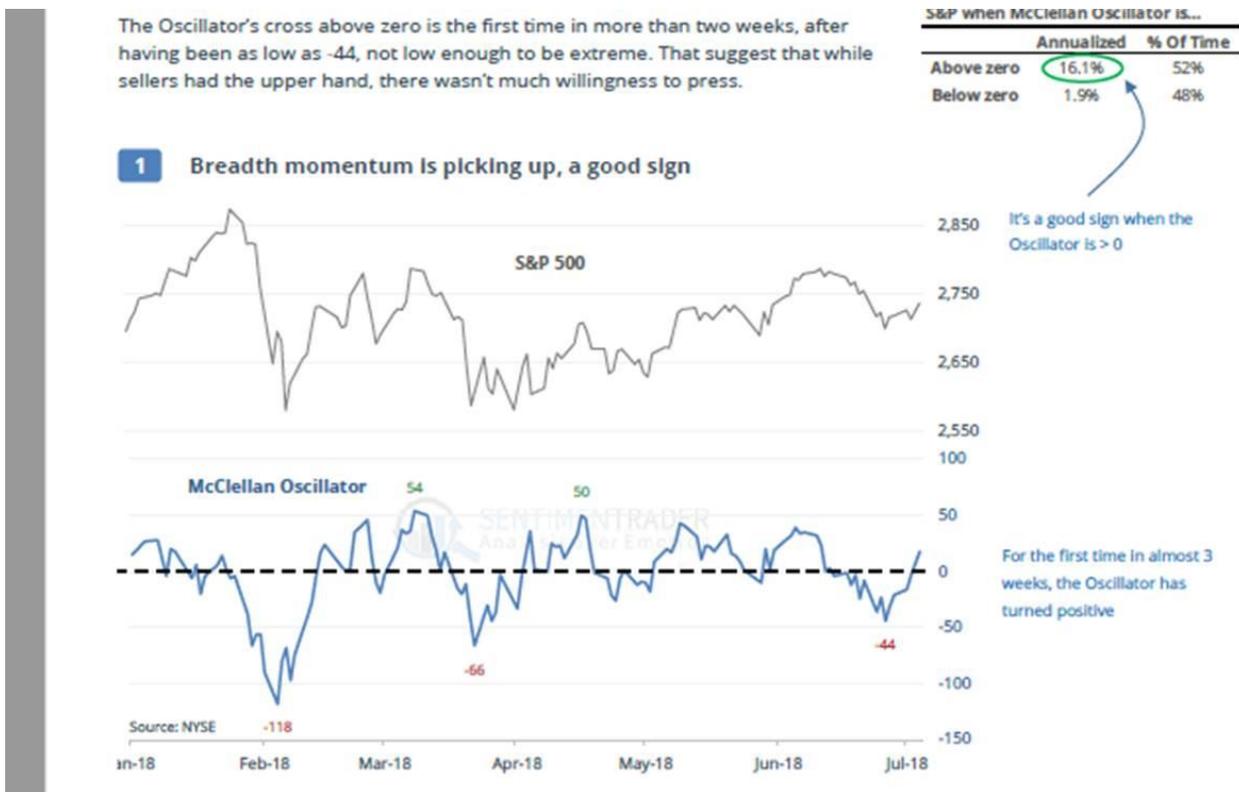
Source: Stockcharts.com

Chart 3



Source: Sentimentrader.com

Chart 4



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Chart 5



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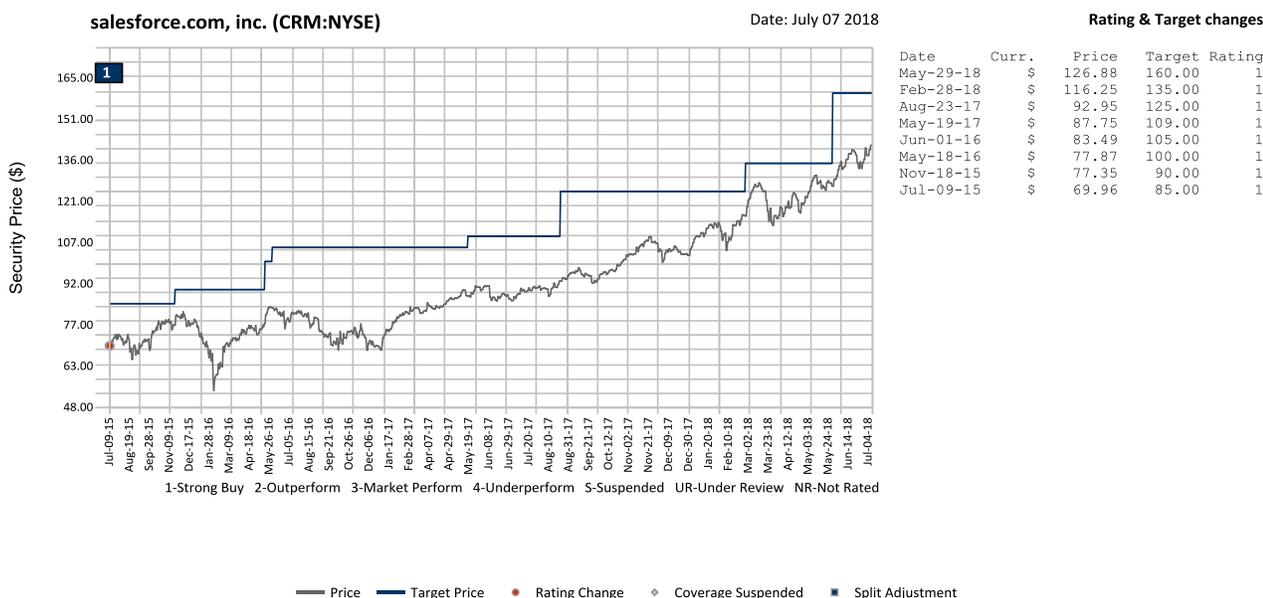
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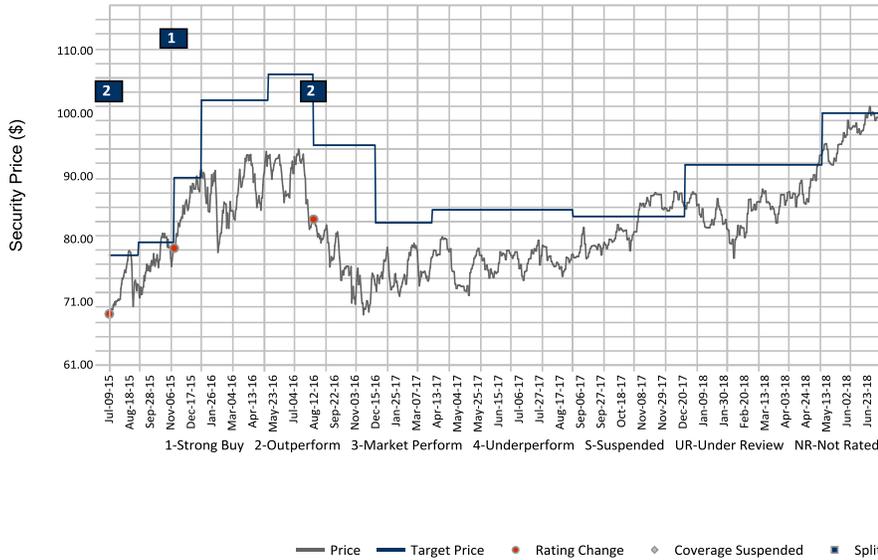


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Extra Space Storage Inc. (EXR:NYSE)

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Rating & Target changes



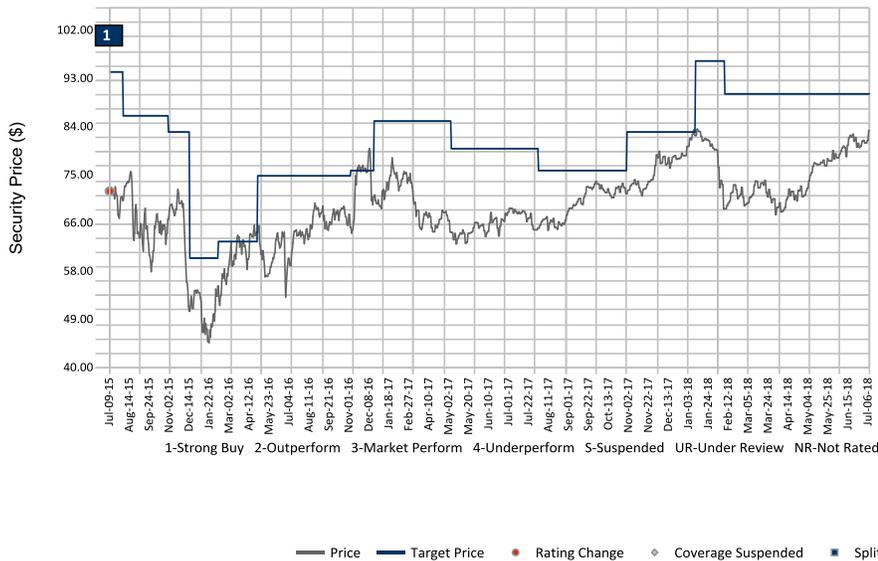
Date	Curr.	Price	Target	Rating
May-09-18	\$	94.05	100.00	2
Dec-21-17	\$	85.66	92.00	2
Aug-30-17	\$	78.08	84.00	2
Apr-07-17	\$	77.69	85.00	2
Dec-15-16	\$	73.41	83.00	2
Aug-12-16	\$	83.55	95.00	2
May-13-16	\$	93.40	106.00	1
Jan-07-16	\$	91.15	102.00	1
Nov-13-15	\$	79.08	90.00	1
Sep-04-15	\$	73.30	80.00	2
Jul-09-15	\$	68.90	78.00	2

Valuation Methodology: Our valuation methodology is predicated on several techniques, including price/FFO and price/AFFO multiples. We also employ an income capitalization rate-driven approach to estimate net asset value (NAV), as well as a single-stage constant-growth dividend discount model.

Genesee & Wyoming Inc. (GWR:NYSE)

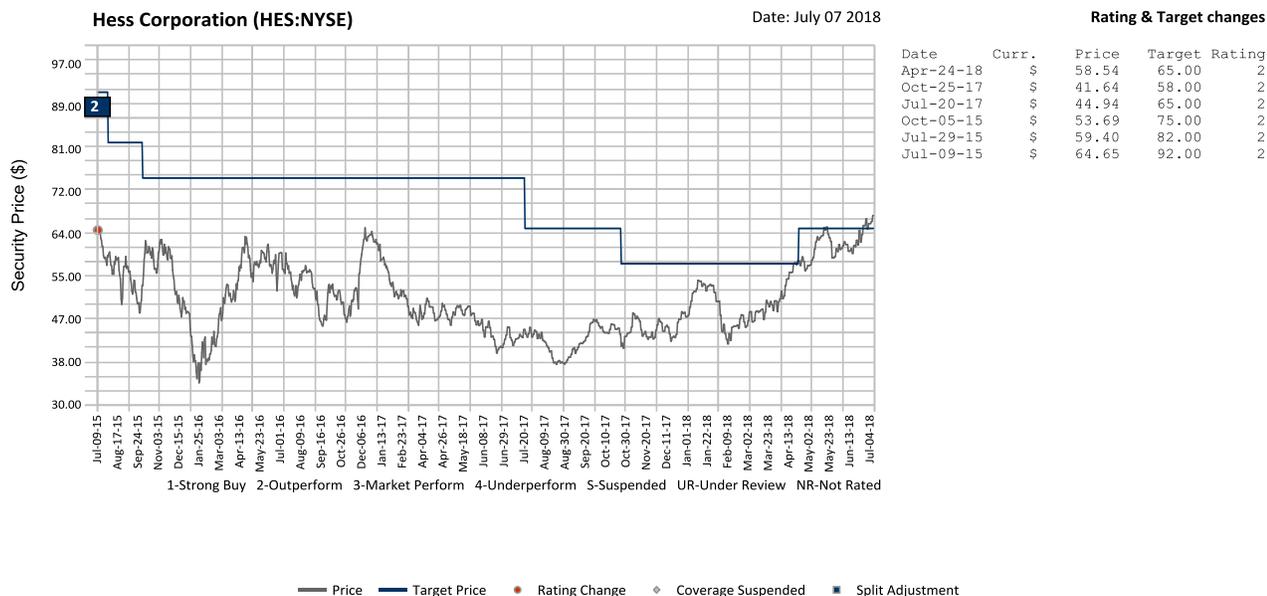
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Date	Curr.	Price	Target	Rating
Feb-09-18	\$	68.99	90.00	1
Jan-11-18	\$	82.38	96.00	1
Nov-01-17	\$	71.78	83.00	1
Aug-02-17	\$	65.50	76.00	1
May-03-17	\$	64.75	80.00	1
Dec-20-16	\$	71.20	85.00	1
Nov-02-16	\$	65.63	76.00	1
Apr-29-16	\$	64.69	75.00	1
Feb-10-16	\$	54.86	63.00	1
Dec-15-15	\$	50.28	60.00	1
Nov-02-15	\$	67.10	83.00	1
Aug-04-15	\$	70.53	86.00	1
Jul-09-15	\$	72.22	94.00	1

Valuation Methodology: Our valuation analysis for Genesee & Wyoming is primarily based on forward P/E and enterprise value/EBITDA multiples in the context of the company's historical trading range and current peer group averages. We also take into account estimated free cash flows in yield-based analyses relative to peers and the broader market.



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Company-Specific Risks for Extra Space Storage

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Weather

Extreme regional/local weather conditions, particularly hurricanes, could have an adverse impact on the company's financial results.

Interest Rates

Real estate investment trusts have historically fluctuated with changes in interest rates, and we believe EXR's share price (like that of other REITs) is susceptible to fluctuations in interest rates as investors compare REIT dividend yields with Treasury yields. In addition, interest rates play a key role in the price or cap rate investors are willing to pay for an asset. Higher interest rates generally imply higher cap rates resulting in lower asset valuations. Consequently, any significant increase in interest rates above those anticipated by the market could negatively impact EXR shares.

Company-Specific Risks for Genesee & Wyoming Inc.

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Company-Specific Risks for salesforce.com, Inc.

Managing Rapid Growth

As the company strives to reach a \$20 billion annual revenue run rate, it continues to invest aggressively in its on-demand infrastructure, expanding its direct sales force, opening international markets, and extending its platform into new markets. Managing a rapidly growing global organization creates management and execution challenges, which could manifest themselves in operational distractions and/or disruption, the inability to adequately expand its workforce, dampening of the company's profit and cash flow improvement, and otherwise, tax the company's processes and resources.

Diversification and Expansion Moves

The company is aggressively ramping its infrastructure and go-to-market initiatives in order to address emerging growth opportunities beyond the company's dominance in sales force automation and core CRM services. In particular, the company's investment in Platform-as-a-Service, through its Force.com platform and AppExchange, could fail to generate significant, incremental bookings, which could limit the company's future overall growth potential as well as burden the company to a single-market focus, CRM. Also the company could face competitive pressures owing to enterprises looking for SaaS-based, complete business suites, encompassing not just CRM but accounting, ERP, and other functional areas in order to run entire business operations. Without development or acquisition moves into other distinct applications markets like ERP, the company could be relegated to successful, but niche, status longer term.

Larger Enterprise Focus

A number of financial and operational metrics reveal the company's growing success at serving large enterprise customers. Serving the large enterprise market and taking market share from traditional on-premise CRM vendors are likely to serve salesforce.com well into the future; however, growing exposure to larger subscription transactions could contribute to a greater degree of quarter-to-quarter bookings volatility and expose the company to broader IT spending upheaval amid the weak macro economic backdrop.

Competitive Environment

The company is far and away the dominant on-demand CRM vendor and has built enough scale to rival many traditional on-premise software vendors for customer mindshare. That said, a more intense focus by Oracle, SAP, and, to a lesser extent, Microsoft, could upset the company's business momentum, more greatly impacting pricing trends and consequent gross margins and also interfering with the company's platform initiatives.

Company-Specific Risks for Hess Corp.

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