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OK first, they are finally talking about bombing the hole, that is the only way the leak will get stopped and BP could be saved. Let's hope they do it, this is hurting all, other than T-shirt companies.

MUR under \$50 again adding more, under \$45 and it is 40% of all monies.

WTNY at \$8.50 it will be 15% of all monies. Doing more work on their Oil Royalties about 25% of their income the past 100 years and Oil valued at pre war 1930 prices or \$1.00 a barrel. I really don't know if this is a \$100 million hidden asset, \$25 million or \$1 billion. Time will tell. Sleeper for sure.

Oil deal this weak, private deal.

There will be 4,000 banks in two years 1,000 will close, 500 will go private, and 2,500 will merge, so there will be 4,000 left. Then 1,000 five years out, just no growth for a long, long time. Don't forget 1,000 colleges to close. This will crush real estate more in some local markets.

With Oil companies getting more government regulation, the few smaller ones left like Murphy, can only stay small so long. Exxon or Hess will buy them soon period. Look for \$78-\$88 by years end or next year at the latest. With new laws, they must sell or watch their profits get squeezed.

BP Hedge/ "short" is working great, keep it on, if you are very long MUR.

MCPH, last trade \$25, worth \$50, BUY, 3% cash dividend. Book \$38.80, Insiders own 35%+, maybe they will go private at \$45 a share in a worst case scenario. That's an 80% pop from today's prices. Not many banks still paying a nice dividend, thank you.

IBKC starting to look cheap, but Oil mess is a problem. They will be buying more banks soon, under \$47 we would buy and trade back to \$51 only. Only buy and hold if under \$40.00 for the long-run, depending on how BPs mess comes out.

RCBC keeps moving up slowly \$48.50 now, add as always under \$44.00 only still half of book. Residential real estate still an issue as it is with all banks.

FTE add under \$15.00 only, TMICY add under \$24 only now.

The over-all market should test 9,500 this week and then 7,500 at some point this year.

Electric costs skyrocketing the past 2 years even with deregulation. Most other costs coming down hard like, interest costs, lowest ever in my lifetime (good), but basic stuff like food, lawn cutting, construction workers, and electricians all are lowering their costs a lot, just shop around, also commercial real estate, residential real estate, and car values coming down.

Taxes still going up, gas and oil still also way up. This still makes it cheaper to live today than it was 3 years ago by a lot. If you still have a job, you are probably making 30% less, but at least, low interest rates are here to stay like Japan now for 3-5 years+.

OPY back in under \$22, (half position) all in at \$19.00, 10% of all monies, now, Book \$35 or so, management very, very frugal, should be at these prices this week. Wow!

Cut costs, eat healthy and work hard.

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