

NAIC News Update

Minneapolis/St. Paul Chapter

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Here's the News...

Well, it's official. You are reading our first monthly e-news update. With the ever-increasing cost of paper and postage, we have had to reduce the number of regular mailings over the last couple of years. This is our attempt to keep you better informed about classes, events, new program offerings and tidbits! From time to time, we will even give you an opportunity to voice your opinions through polls. We hope you will participate! In the meantime, please let all your NAIC friends and club members know about this update. They can sign up by sending a note with their name, address, email and phone number to Ilene Meade, chapter president, at HatLadyMN@yahoo.com

New Program Rollout...

There was a time when our Saturday classes were bursting at the seams! Lately, however, we are finding that we are competing for your Saturdays. So, in order to cater to your busy schedules, we are proud to introduce our new Club Visit and Trainings program.

Effective immediately, clubs and groups of individual investors have the opportunity to choose from the following new offerings, in addition to our regularly scheduled classes:

- Club Visits – Help with organizational or operational club issues, including a Q&A session with a local chapter director.
- Individual Instruction – Affordable per-hour training for individuals who would like some one-on-one, hands-on computer, software or accounting training.
- Club Portfolio Review – Have your portfolio reviewed by a group of directors. Results are presented at your meeting.
- Standard Road Class – A one-hour instructional training on your choice of 4 topics, performed at your club meeting.
- Full Road Class – Choose from one of our currently scheduled campus classes, performed at a time and location of your choice.

Have we piqued your interest?? Each of these programs comes with a reasonable fee. Details and prices can be found on our chapter's homepage. Learn all about it here: <http://better-investing.org/chapter/minneapo/>

February Doings...

Each month, this e-news update will remind you of the classes and around-town events we've planned for you. Check it out! There's still time to sign up! All you have to do is contact Lorrie Toomey at ltoomey@markhurd.com. She will be happy to help you register.

Tuesday, February 8th (6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.)
"The First Step – The Beginning Investor"

Thursday, February 10th (6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.)
"Red Flags and Rules of Thumb"

Each class will cost \$15, and will be held at Macalester College in Carnegie Hall – Room 5, 1600 Grand Avenue, St. Paul, MN.

First Step is a "must" for anyone wanting to build a solid foundation for their investing journey. And, the Red Flags class is SO popular, it's filling up fast! So don't miss out!

27th Annual Investor's Fair

Wow! April 22nd and 23rd are right around the corner! And we are deep into the planning process. We've got some great new classes, new speakers, and new corporate sponsors for your investing pleasure!

Who in the world is Joe Smith?? We've been hearing this question a lot lately. I can promise you he's no average joe! Our 2005 keynote speaker is a devout NAIC investor, and an active participant on all levels of NAIC investor education. He's a great teacher who's most popular classes pertain to deciphering banks and insurance company SSGs. Don't miss his Friday night class!

Questions or Comments?

We are always interested in your opinions. As this e-news update evolves, please let us know what works and what doesn't. Send your comments or questions to Lynn Ostrem at garbagecop@foxinternet.net

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