



Weather Delay

I hope everyone is having a safe and joyous holiday season.

Unfortunately, I will not provide an update on the *Investable Risk-O-Meter* in this issue.

I am writing this on Christmas Eve and plan to spend time with my family. I will finish up the project on December 26th. The market is closed on the 26th, and I have nothing else to do.

It was quite a week with brutal weather, and I was not too productive.

I got caught in some terrifying road conditions. Over the years, I have seen many cars off the side of the road.

I have never seen a car passing me at too high of a speed have its back wheel thrust the car four feet into the air while it spun around at least 720 degrees.

Then slam into the side of a mountain only to spin at least another 360 degrees and slam into the mountain again.

While the entire episode only took about seven seconds, time seemed to stand still.

Fortunately, the car spun away from traffic and hit the mountain, not toward traffic (me).

The only thing that saved the driver was a big snow bank that cushioned the blow.

It was a troubling experience for me because I had my little dog in the passenger seat.

When I finally reached my destination, I needed a quadruple scotch!

Instead, I hugged her and said a prayer.

Very dicey!



Then the "bomb cyclone" rolled through the area and took down a 40-foot cypress tree on my property.

Not a single bit of damage to my home.

Missed by inches.

One foot more to the right, and it would have been ugly.

Hours before the tree fell, I was hosting a Christmas Party for my younger cousins.

No damage. No injuries.

I must have an angel or two looking over me!



The *Risk-O-Meter* remains in the "green zone," and the market is oversold.

Therefore, I bought some emerging markets (SCHE) and small-cap U.S. stocks (IWM) for my taxable account. The split was about 70% in emerging markets and 30% in small-cap stocks.

I read something the other day that reinforced to me what a bizarro world we live in. Stanford University is eliminating the word "American" because they deem it offensive.

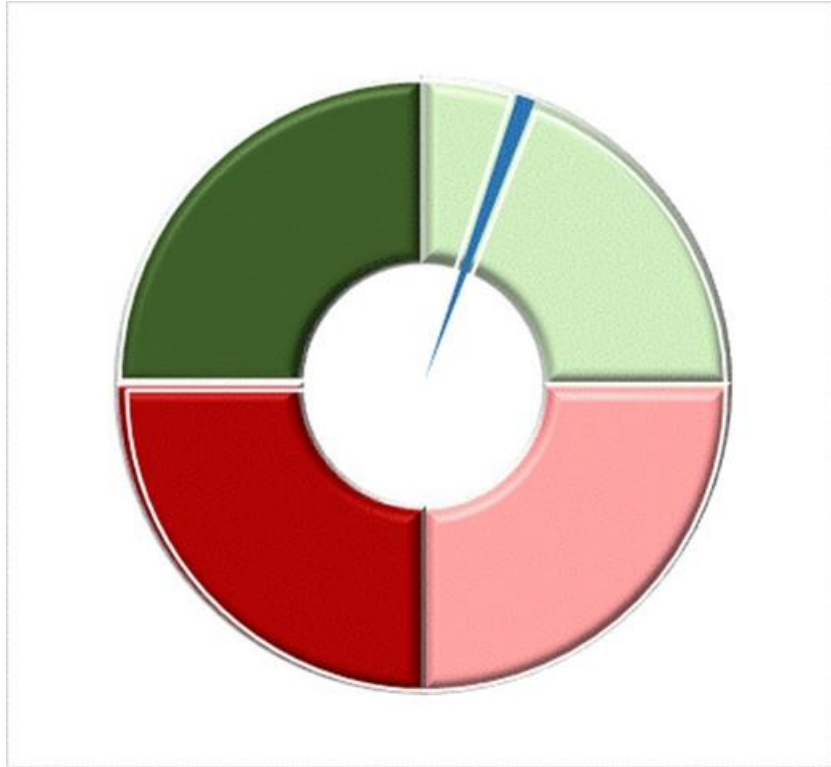
When we live in a world where everyone is offended by any little slight, participation trophies are the rule of the day, pronouns are a big deal, and cancel culture is very real, we seriously run the risk of having our best days behind us.

The concept of environmental and social governance investing guarantees lower returns in the future for U.S. stocks. Allocating capital this way is neither efficient nor geared toward maximum profit.

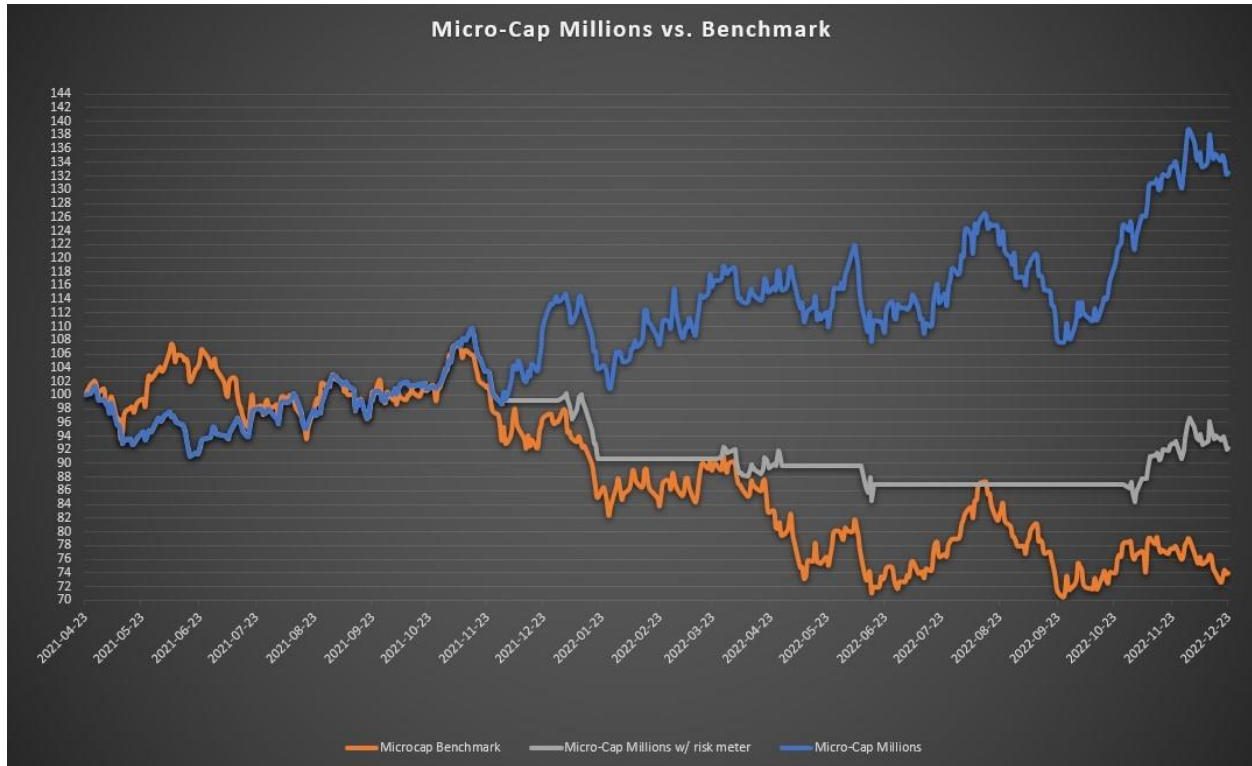
Meanwhile, Congress passed a \$1.7 trillion spending bill that no one read (it was 4,000 pages), and half the people didn't show up to vote in person (using a COVID rule in their favor).

I don't know...are we circling the drain here?

Therefore, I plan to tilt my portfolio more heavily away from U.S. stocks as I make trades in the future.



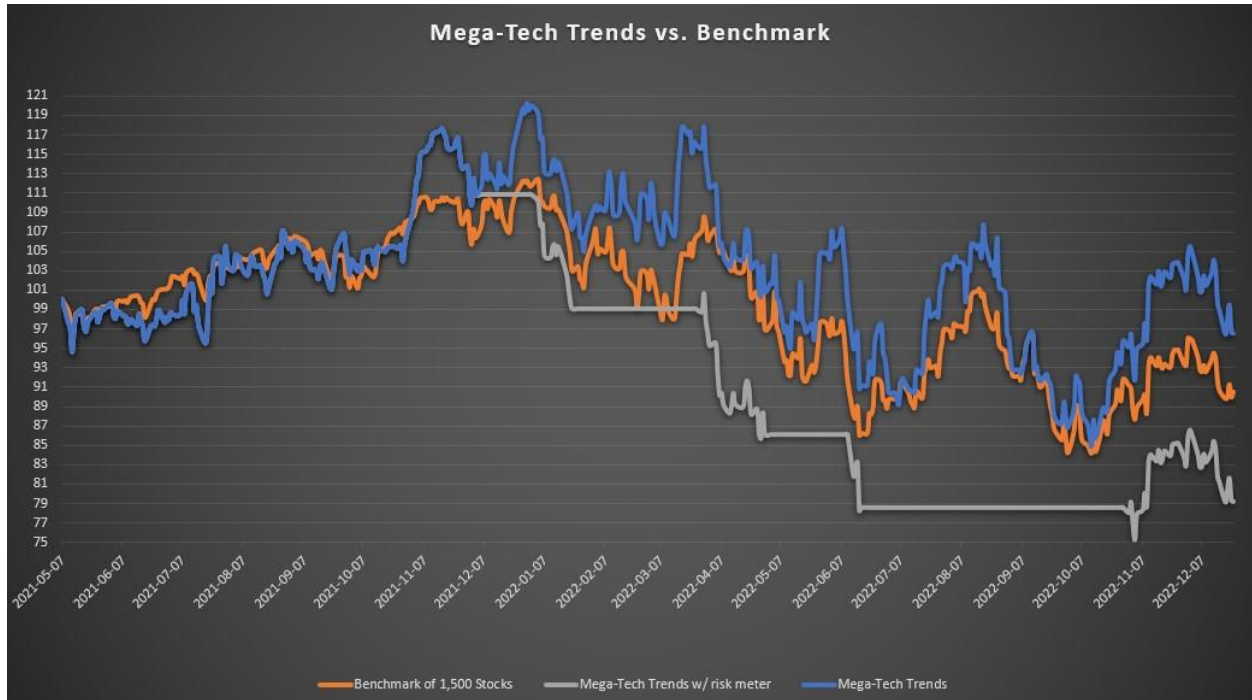
Micro-Cap Millions



There are no trades this week. Here is the current portfolio:

Ticker	Name	Return	Days Held	Sector
BELFB	Bel Fuse, Inc.	19.57%	123	Technology
HCKT	The Hackett Group, Inc.	-3.58%	277	Technology
IRMD	IRadimed Corp.	-2.44%	46	Healthcare
IVAC	Intevac, Inc.	23.62%	46	Technology
KMDA	Kamada Ltd.	0.77%	4	Healthcare
KNSA	Kiniksa Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	11.26%	46	Healthcare
PERI	Perion Network Ltd.	40.19%	158	Technology
SMLR	Semler Scientific, Inc.	8.52%	46	Healthcare
TCMD	Tactile Systems Technology, Inc.	33.18%	39	Healthcare
VYGR	Voyager Therapeutics, Inc.	1.28%	39	Healthcare

Mega-Tech Trends



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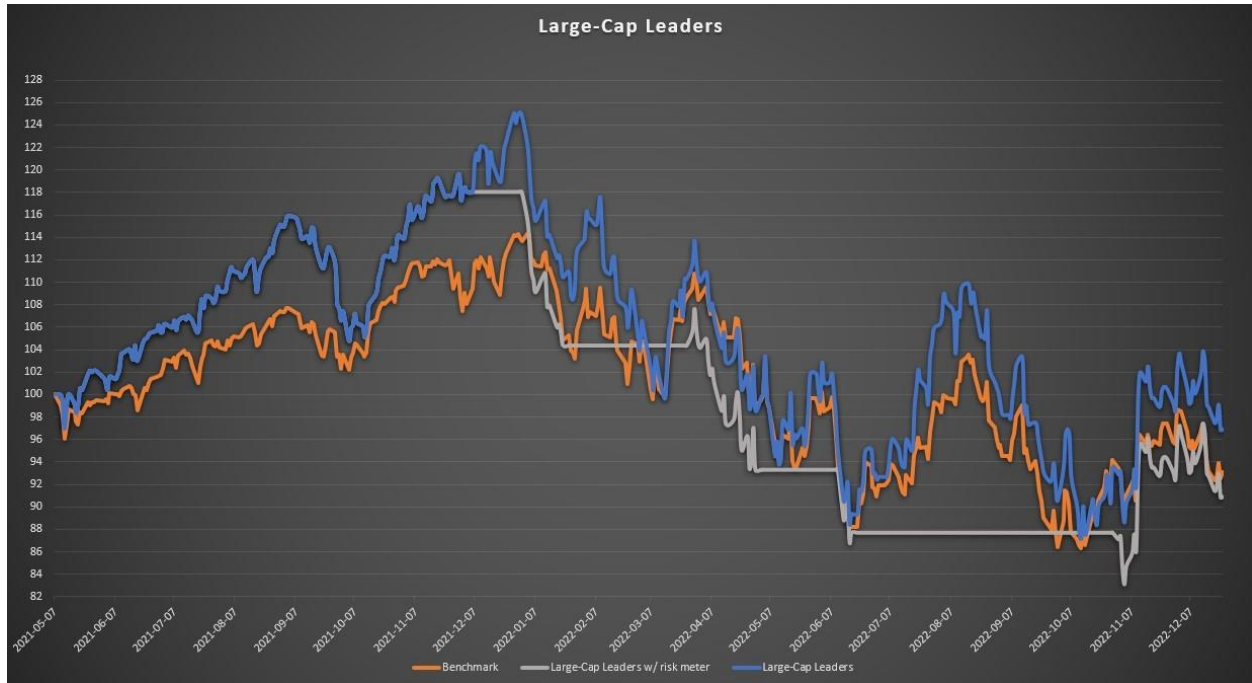
Buy Fabrinet (NYSE: F.N.)

Sell Photonics, Inc. (Nasdaq: PLAB)

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Ticker	Name	Return	Days Held	Sector
ACLS	Axcelis Technologies, Inc.	-1.42%	4	Technology
AEIS	Advanced Energy Industries, Inc.	0.87%	46	Technology
ARLO	Arlo Technologies, Inc.	-11.08%	25	Technology
BDC	Belden, Inc.	-2.07%	46	Technology
BHE	Benchmark Electronics, Inc.	-3.92%	53	Technology
CDW	CDW Corp.	11.40%	88	Technology
FN	Fabrinet	0.00%	new	Technology
ICHR	Ichor Holdings Ltd.	-8.49%	4	Technology
JBL	Jabil, Inc.	16.30%	144	Technology
TTMI	TTM Technologies, Inc.	-4.23%	4	Technology

Large Cap Leaders



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Ticker	Name	Return	Days Held	Sector
ADI	Analog Devices, Inc.	-1.95%	25	Technology
APH	Amphenol Corp.	-3.75%	319	Technology
CDW	CDW Corp.	4.28%	95	Technology
CSCO	Cisco Systems, Inc.	-4.47%	18	Technology
EPAM	EPAM Systems, Inc.	-10.15%	39	Technology
FTNT	Fortinet, Inc.	3.46%	46	Technology
KEYS	Keysight Technologies, Inc.	-3.84%	25	Technology
KLAC	KLA Corp.	17.38%	53	Technology
MRK	Merck & Co., Inc.	2.83%	11	Healthcare
SNPS	Synopsys, Inc.	-11.79%	123	Technology

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