A weak quarter due to weather, the $ and oil drilling dropoff.

GDP Growth adjusted for inflation

Consumer Confidence

Source: The Conference Board

BuildFax Remodeling Index

Nice trend

ISM Slow Deliveries

Purchasing managers say back to normal.
Banks Tightening / Easing Credit
for Commercial & Industrial Loans

Oil Prices

Employment Cost Inflation

Wages now rising. What are you doing about employee retention?

Stock Market

Holding on to past gains.

A little rebound. My target is $60
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