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### **SNAP, INC. (SNAP) BEGAN TRADING 3/2/17**

Snap, Inc. (SNAP), a stock expected to do well, began trading on Tuesday, **3/2/17 at 11:19 AM, New York, New York**. Too bad they didn't wait seven more days to begin trading. Although SNAP may do well, it will not be a "monster stock". The signature of "monster stocks" is a Sun/Jupiter/Pluto connection and SNAP missed this by several days. Example: Priceline with this combination began trading under \$100 and is now over \$1800 a share! Next date for this combination is 4/8/17. **We'll watch for a new IPO (Initial Public Offering) from a solid company to begin trading that day.**

### **U.S. HEALTHCARE PLAN FAILS TO REPLACE ACA**

The attempt of the new U.S. administration failed to replace "Obamacare" with a new plan to gut taxes and repeal the original Affordable Care Act. As we said in several issues of this newsletter and in our books, "Obamacare" was signed into law in 2010 as the Uranus/Pluto square formed in the Solar System. Social Security was introduced in 1933 on the previous Uranus/Pluto square and Medicaid became law in the 1960s as Uranus/Pluto conjoined. Since these programs still exist it is likely **"Obamacare" will be amended rather than repealed.**

### **U.S. FEDERAL RESERVE RAISES RATES**

Who benefits from the increased interest rates? It could be a year before "savers" see any benefit from a .25% raise in rates. Banks have already announced interest rates will be raised on credit card payments, credit card loans, mortgage loans, loans to businesses and student loans will be raised.

The Federal Reserve gets blamed for worsening the Great Depression in the 1930s by tightening monetary policy at the wrong time. The current Fed was determined not to do that again. Therefore since the 2009 Great Recession, they have been very cautious about raising rates.

The other factor that made the Great Depression in 1930 worse was the Smoot-Hawley Tariff Act. Tariffs (taxes) were put on exports coming into the country. Present day, this is an uncomfortable parallel to the current political debate on a Border Adjustment Tax (BAT). Prices at Walmart will not be as low if goods/products coming from outside the U.S. are heavily taxed.

### **U.K. TRIGGERS BREXIT'S CHAPTER 50 - 3/29/17**

Brexit is being activated with four planets in retrograde, Mercury, Venus, Jupiter and Saturn. That's a handicap to a process already predicted to be difficult. A large part of price increases in the U.K. is due to the decreased value of sterling since the referendum. JPMorgan is one of the latest companies to be looking at office buildings in Dublin, Ireland, preparing for a move out of London. Our early prediction on effects of Brexit was Scotland holding another referendum to leave the U.K. and stay with the EU (European Union). Northern Ireland could leave the U.K. and join Ireland which is a member of the EU.

### **OVERALL TOP WINNERS**

| STOCK             | When Recommended PRICE | Today's (3/28/17) PRICE | Gain % |
|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--------|
| Baidu.com         | 13                     | 170                     | 1208%  |
| Priceline.com     | 151                    | 1788                    | 1084%  |
| Alphabet          | 84                     | 841                     | 901%   |
| Ulta Salon        | 53                     | 283                     | 434%   |
| Apple             | 28                     | 144                     | 414%   |
| Cerner            | 13                     | 59                      | 354%   |
| Fleetcor Tech     | 44                     | 158                     | 259%   |
| Ambarella, Inc.   | 16                     | 56                      | 250%   |
| Nvidia            | 35                     | 108                     | 209%   |
| Facebook          | 47                     | 142                     | 202%   |
| Broadcom. Ltd.    | 82                     | 221                     | 170%   |
| Ultimate Software | 72                     | 194                     | 169%   |
| Inphi Corporation | 18                     | 48                      | 167%   |
| Masimo            | 37                     | 94                      | 154%   |
| Maxlinear         | 13                     | 27                      | 108%   |
| SS&C Technology   | 18                     | 36                      | 100%   |
| Under Armour      | 9                      | 18                      | 100%   |

### **MORE FROM TRADER DON GARBARINO**

An update on last month's market projections from renowned commodities trader Don Garbarino: "My shorter term cycles are pulling the market a bit lower but are bottoming any time now shifting the forecast lows from Feb/Mar to Mar/Apr much like '87, '97 and '07 and should still produce a rally into at least May as forecast. The tricky part will be picking the top as it may come between May-Oct so short term cycles will have to be the deciding factor here. No changes yet to the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter sell-off or the year-end rally. I am still long term bullish Gold but shorter term cycles are turning lower after 3/31 projecting weakness for the next 3-4 weeks."

## SHOPPING PATTERNS ARE CHANGING

U. S. consumer confidence is at its highest level since 2000. How does this co-exist with the possible demise of shopping malls? Consumers are staying home to shop, as it seems more convenient than driving to the malls. Internet stores like Amazon do not pay taxes and brick and mortars do. More advantage to the online stores, particularly large companies, is the recent action of Congress that **voted to reverse a landmark FCC (Federal Communications Commission) privacy rule allowing ISP (Internet Service Providers) to sell their customers' data to companies.**



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### MARCH TOP WINNERS

Last month (2/28/17) Today's (3/29/17)

| STOCK            | PRICE | PRICE | Gain % |
|------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| Heska            | 82    | 96    | 17%    |
| Veeva Systems    | 44    | 51    | 16%    |
| Align Technology | 103   | 114   | 11%    |
| Oclaro           | 9     | 10    | 11%    |
| Mimecast         | 20    | 22    | 10%    |
| Priceline.com    | 1626  | 1788  | 10%    |
| Glaukos          | 46    | 50    | 9%     |
| Adobe System     | 118   | 129   | 9%     |
| Advanced Energy  | 62    | 67    | 8%     |
| Applied Material | 36    | 39    | 8%     |
| Masimo           | 88    | 94    | 7%     |
| Monster Beverage | 44    | 47    | 7%     |
| Abiomed          | 117   | 125   | 7%     |
| Biotelemetry     | 27    | 29    | 7%     |
| Broadcom.Ltd.    | 209   | 221   | 6%     |
| John Bean Tech   | 84    | 89    | 6%     |
| Essent Group     | 34    | 36    | 6%     |
| Apple Inc.       | 136   | 144   | 6%     |

Initiating Coverage on Pullbacks: BioVerativ Inc. (BIVV), Cognex Corporation (CGNX), Lumentum Holdings Inc. (LITE) and Microchip Technology Incorporated (MCHP).

Removing Coverage: LCI Industries (LCII)

### BIOVERATIV INC. BIVV/NAO \$52 52wkHi/Lo 54/41Group: Medical-Biomed/Biotech

BioVerativ Inc. develops innovative therapies for the treatment of hemophilia and other blood disorders. **Incorporation data: 08/04/16, 12:58PM, Dover, DE, 75W31, 39N09. First Trade data: (Chart 1) 02/01/17, 9:31AM, New York, NY, 74W00, 40N43.** Relative Strength 84, EPS Rating 77, Return on Equity 32% and Sales 154%.

### COGNEX CORPORATION CGNX/NAO \$83 52wk Hi/Lo 82/35 Group: Elec-Scientific/Msrng

Cognex Corporation manufactures modular vision systems that eliminate defects, verify assemblies and automate production. **Incorporation data: 01/07/81, time unknown, Boston, MA, 71W04, 42N22. First Trade data: (Chart 2) 07/20/89, 9:30AM, New York, NY, 74W00, 40N43.** Relative Strength 97, EPS Rating 98, Return on Equity 17% and Sales 15%.

### LUMENTUM HOLDINGS INC. LITE/NAO \$52 52wk Hi/Lo 55/20 Group: Telcom-Fiber Optics

Lumentum Holdings Inc. provides optical communication and photonic products for manufacturing, inspection and life-science application. **Incorporation data: 2/10/15, 7:01PM, Dover, DE, 75W31, 39N09. First Trade data: (Chart 3) 08/04/15, 9:31AM, New York, NY, 74W00, 40N43.** Relative Strength 97, EPS Rating 99, Return on Equity 18% and Sales 18%.

### MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY MCHP/NAO \$73 52wk Hi/Lo 76/46 Group: Elec-Semiconductor Mfg

Microchip Technology Incorporated manufactures digital signal microcontrollers, flash memory products and mixed signal and interface devices. **Incorporation data: 02/14/89, 9:00AM, Dover, DE, 75W31, 39N09. First Trade data: (Chart 4) 03/19/93, 9:30AM, New York, NY, 74W00, 40N43.** Relative Strength 88, EPS Rating 96, Return on Equity 28% and Sales (averaged for the last four quarters) 42%.

*All data for Inc. and First Trade from Michael Munkasey [starflash12@gmail.com](mailto:starflash12@gmail.com)*

### BUYING AND SELLING STRATEGIES:

When purchasing stocks, **watch for higher lows and higher highs, and BUY on big gaps up.** As soon as you make a purchase, **place a stop of 5% below the stock's purchase price.** Whatever price you paid, multiply that by five, and subtract that number from the purchase price (**example: \$42 X .05 equals 2.1. Your stop order on that stock would be \$40**). As the price moves up, move your stop to 15% below the higher price. Following this rule, you protect your profits and reduce losses. Selling is hard to do. A successful selling strategy is to sell when profits are up 20% - 25% from your buy point.

### KEY FOR RECOMMENDED STOCK LIST

|      |                          |    |                 |
|------|--------------------------|----|-----------------|
| Key: | (+) Upgrade this issue   |    |                 |
|      | (-) Downgrade this issue | S  | Sell            |
| SB   | Strong Buy               | H  | Hold            |
| B    | Buy                      | TP | Take Profits    |
| AP   | Accumulate on Pullback   |    |                 |
| WB   | Weak Buy                 | RC | Remove Coverage |

L = Large Cap, M = Medium Cap, S = Small Cap

## RECOMMENDED STOCKS BY SECTORS

| STATUS                    | STOCK | DATE | PRICE              | 3/28/17 | % CHANGE      | % CHANGE           |
|---------------------------|-------|------|--------------------|---------|---------------|--------------------|
| RETAIL, CONSUMER PRODUCTS |       |      | (when Recommended) |         | (since added) | (since last month) |

|    |   |                    |      |      |     |       |       |      |
|----|---|--------------------|------|------|-----|-------|-------|------|
| +B | L | Priceline.com Inc. | PCLN | 9/09 | 151 | 1,788 | 1084% | 10%  |
| H  | M | Monster Beverage   | MNST | 6/11 | 35  | 47    | 34%   | 7%   |
| H  | L | Under Armour, Inc. | UA   | 7/11 | 9   | 18    | 100%  | -10% |
| B  | M | Ulta Salon         | ULTA | 5/11 | 53  | 283   | 434%  | 2%   |
| H  | L | Starbucks Corp.    | SBUX | 6/13 | 31  | 57    | 84%   | 0%   |
| RC | S | LCI Industries     | LCII | 9/16 | 94  | 100   | 6%    | -8%  |
| B  | S | Mastec, Inc.       | MTZ  | 2/17 | 38  | 39    | 3%    | -3%  |

### FINANCIAL

|    |   |                       |      |       |     |     |      |     |
|----|---|-----------------------|------|-------|-----|-----|------|-----|
| -H | M | Fleetcor Tech         | FLT  | 10/12 | 44  | 158 | 259% | -6% |
| B  | L | MSCI Inc.             | MSCI | 5/16  | 75  | 97  | 29%  | 2%  |
| B  | M | Western Alliance Banc | WAL  | 6/16  | 37  | 48  | 50%  | -6% |
| B  | S | MarketAxess Holdings  | MKTX | 8/16  | 161 | 186 | 16%  | -5% |
| B  | S | Essent Group          | ESNT | 12/16 | 30  | 36  | 20%  | 6%  |
| H  | S | Texas Capital Banc    | TCBI | 2/17  | 82  | 81  | -1%  | -8% |

### INTERNET CONTENT, INTERNET RETAIL, SOCIAL MEDIA

|    |   |                |       |       |    |     |       |     |
|----|---|----------------|-------|-------|----|-----|-------|-----|
| H  | L | Alphabet       | GOOGL | 11/04 | 84 | 841 | 901%  | 0%  |
| H  | L | Baidu.com Inc. | BIDU  | 6/07  | 13 | 170 | 1208% | -3% |
| H  | L | Microsoft      | MSFT  | 12/16 | 58 | 65  | 12%   | 2%  |
| B  | L | Facebook       | FB    | 10/13 | 47 | 142 | 202%  | 5%  |
| +B | S | LogMein Inc.   | LOGM  | 9/16  | 83 | 97  | 17%   | 4%  |

### COMPUTER PROCESSING, SOFTWARE, HARDWARE, TECH SERVICES, STORAGE

|    |   |                         |      |       |    |     |      |     |
|----|---|-------------------------|------|-------|----|-----|------|-----|
| H  | L | Cerner                  | CERN | 5/09  | 13 | 59  | 354% | 7%  |
| -H | L | Apple Inc.              | AAPL | 1/10  | 28 | 144 | 414% | 6%  |
| H  | M | Ultimate Software Group | ULTI | 4/12  | 72 | 194 | 169% | -2% |
| B  | M | SS&C Technology         | SSNC | 8/13  | 18 | 36  | 100% | 0%  |
| +B | L | Adobe Systems Inc.      | ADBE | 2/16  | 84 | 129 | 54%  | 9%  |
| B  | L | Veeva Systems           | VEEV | 6/16  | 32 | 51  | 59%  | 16% |
| -H | M | Paycom Software         | PAYC | 11/16 | 43 | 56  | 30%  | 2%  |
| H  | S | Mimecast Ltd.           | MIME | 12/16 | 19 | 22  | 10%  | 10% |

### SEMICONDUCTORS, ELECTRONICS, TELECOM, MANUFACTURING

|    |   |                         |      |       |    |     |      |     |
|----|---|-------------------------|------|-------|----|-----|------|-----|
| -H | M | Ambarella, Inc.         | AMBA | 6/13  | 16 | 56  | 250% | -5% |
| B  | L | Broadcom Ltd.           | AVGO | 9/14  | 82 | 221 | 170% | 6%  |
| H  | M | Inphi Corporation       | IPHI | 1/15  | 18 | 48  | 167% | 0%  |
| B  | L | MaxLinear, Inc.         | MXL  | 11/15 | 13 | 27  | 108% | 0%  |
| +B | L | Nvidia Corporation      | NVDA | 4/16  | 35 | 108 | 209% | 7%  |
| H  | S | Acacia Communication    | ACIA | 6/16  | 38 | 57  | 50%  | 4%  |
| -H | S | Febrinet                | FN   | 10/16 | 41 | 44  | 10%  | -2% |
| -H | S | Tower Semiconductor     | TSEM | 11/16 | 15 | 23  | 53%  | 0%  |
| +B | S | Oclaro                  | OCLR | 1/17  | 9  | 10  | 11%  | 11% |
| H  | M | John Bean Technology    | JBT  | 9/16  | 68 | 89  | 31%  | 6%  |
| B  | S | Advanced Energy Industr | AEIS | 2/17  | 58 | 67  | 16%  | 8%  |
| B  | L | Applied Materials       | AMAT | 3/17  | 36 | 39  | 8%   | 8%  |
| B  | S | Qorvo                   | QRVO | 3/17  | 66 | 68  | 3%   | 3%  |

### TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

|    |   |                    |     |       |    |    |     |     |
|----|---|--------------------|-----|-------|----|----|-----|-----|
| -H | M | Hawaiian Holdings  | HA  | 4/16  | 42 | 48 | 2%  | -4% |
| -H | L | American Airlines  | AAL | 8/16  | 33 | 43 | 26% | -7% |
| -H | S | Supreme Industries | STS | 10/16 | 18 | 19 | 73% | 0%  |
| -H | L | CSX Corp.          | CSX | 2/17  | 47 | 47 | 0%  | -2% |

### MEDICAL-SYSTEMS/EQUIPMENT, BIOTECH, GENETICS, PHARMACEUTICALS

|   |   |                     |      |       |    |     |      |     |
|---|---|---------------------|------|-------|----|-----|------|-----|
| H | M | ABIOMED, Inc.       | ABMD | 8/15  | 74 | 125 | 69%  | 7%  |
| B | M | Masimo              | MASI | 10/15 | 37 | 94  | 154% | 7%  |
| H | S | Lemaitre Vasculaire | LMAT | 5/16  | 15 | 24  | 60%  | 9%  |
| B | M | Align Technology    | ALGN | 7/16  | 79 | 114 | 44%  | 11% |
| B | S | Heska Corp.         | HSKA | 12/16 | 66 | 96  | 45%  | 17% |
| B | S | Biotelemetry        | BEAT | 1/17  | 22 | 29  | 32%  | 7%  |
| B | S | Glaukos Corp.       | GKOS | 2/17  | 41 | 50  | 22%  | 9%  |

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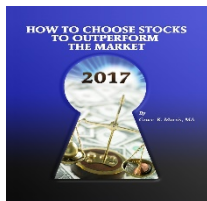


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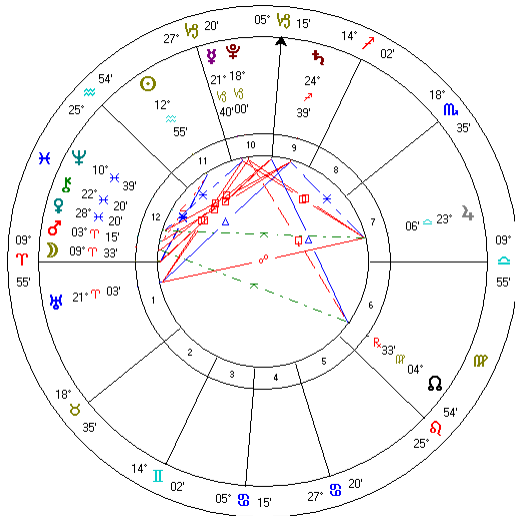
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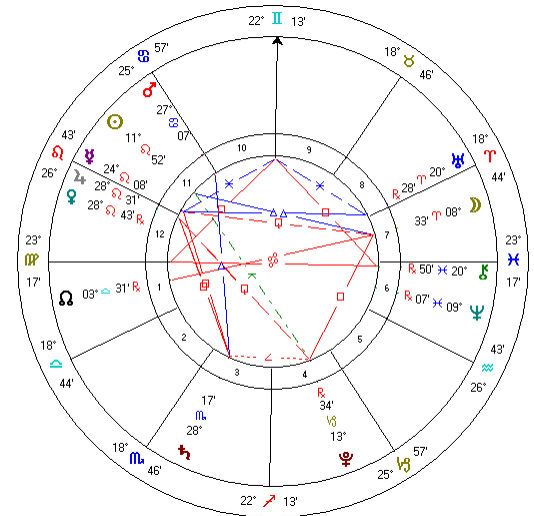
**Chart 1- BIVV First Trade**

**BIVV First Trade**  
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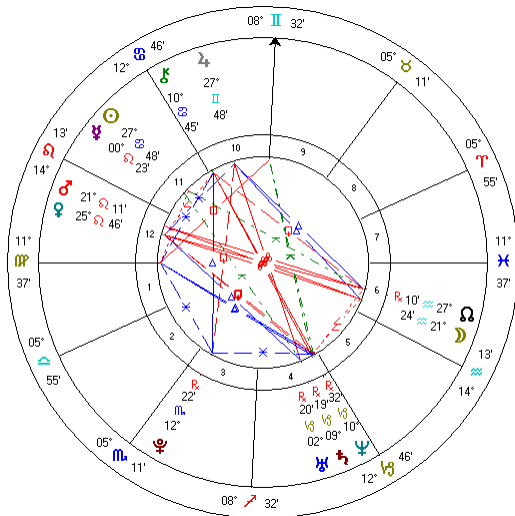
**Chart 3- LITE First Trade**

**LITE First Trade**  
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 Tropical  
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 Mean Node



**Chart 2- CGNX First Trade**

**CGNX First Trade**  
**Natal Chart**  
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 New York, NY  
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 Tropical  
 Placidus  
 Mean Node



**Chart 4- MCHP First Trade**

**MCHP First Trade**  
**Natal Chart**  
 Mar 19 1988, Fri  
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 New York, NY  
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 Tropical  
 Placidus  
 Mean Node

