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MARKET MILESTONES

In 2014 investors benefited from defensive market attributes such as dividends, high quality and lower volatility, which we believe are characteristics of the High Dividend Equity portfolio. There were several market milestones starting with the S&P 500 Index which posted its third consecutive year of double digit gains. The last time the S&P 500 increased over 10% for more than three years in a row was during the five year rally from 1995-1999. Additionally, for the first time in its 118 year history the Dow Jones Industrial Average broke through 18,000, closing only slightly lower for the year at 17,823. Low bond yields continued to fuel dividend-paying stocks, producing the first year since 1998 that long term Treasuries (+29.38%) and the S&P 500 (+13.69%) both rose by at least 10%. When rates begin to rise there may be short term volatility in the highest yielding stocks in sectors such as Utilities and REITs. Our focus among large cap stocks should continue to emphasize long term earnings per share growth and dividend growth which we believe should experience continued strength into 2015.

In our opinion, the advantage of dividend investing is clear when comparing the S&P 500 three year total return of +72.40% versus the principal only return for the same period of +63.72%. Regardless of how the Federal Reserve alters monetary policy, dividend paying stocks have historically outpaced their non-paying counterparts over the long run. Stock buy-backs continued to be the norm as companies reduced shares contributing to higher earnings per share. It was the fourth consecutive year that cash dividend payments hit another record high. Going forward, 2015 is expected to be another record year for dividends although that may change as earnings estimates are announced.

Sectors

In the fourth quarter, Utilities posted the highest return moving up +12.22% — the opposite of Energy which was the lowest, down -11.26%. The Staple, Healthcare, Financial and Industrial sectors increased +6-8% while the lowest sector returns were in Energy, Materials, Telecommunications and Technology ranging from -11.26% to +4.86%. In the High Dividend Equity portfolio some of the strongest returns for the year were Microsoft at +27.54%, Intel +44.30% and Home Depot +30.25 versus the lowest returns Chevron -10.1%, ConocoPhillips -2.25% and LyondellBasell -1.11%.

Executive Summary

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S&P 500 SECTOR CONTRIBUTION -- 2014			
Sector	Sector Weight as a % of S&P 500 on 12/31/2013	2014 % Return	Contribution
Utilities	2.92	24.29	0.71
Health Care	12.95	23.30	3.02
Information Technology	18.63	18.18	3.39
Financials	16.18	13.10	2.12
Consumer Staples	9.76	12.87	1.26
Consumer Discretionary	12.54	8.05	1.01
Industrials	10.94	7.52	0.82
Materials	3.50	4.68	0.16
Telecommunication Services	2.30	-1.91	-0.04
Energy	10.28	-9.99	-1.03
Total Sector Contribution			11.42
Actual S&P 500 Gain			11.39
Residual			0.03

Source: S&P Index Alert. Price Only.
Ned Davis Research Group

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Going forward, sectors that benefit from a rising dollar, have strong earnings per share growth and hold high cash positions such as Technology, Healthcare and Staples, may continue to perform well. After having the worst year since 2008, large cap well-diversified Energy

stocks with strong balance sheets and global diversification could present an excellent dividend investment opportunity once the sector stabilizes.

Sources : FactSet, McGraw Hill Financial, Ned Davis



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