

### 5d performance: SPY +2.5%, DIA +2.9%, IWM +4.2%, QQQ +2.0%, EEM -0.2%, EFA +2.7%, TLT -0.3%, GLD +0.5%

**Week Summary & Thoughts** A pretty incredible week in terms of performance. Small Caps in particular rallied +4.2% and Micro Caps (IWC) +4.4%. In US sectors, breadth was very strong, there was no sector on my watchlist that was negative. For example, Oil & Gas (XOP) names were +9.3%, Homebuilders (ITB) +4.5%, Biotech (IBB) +3.9%, Transports (IYT) +3.9% to name a few groups that rallied hard. Interesting the Internet stocks (FANG related) still were up last week (FDN +1.7%), but were flat on Friday *which indicated that there was perhaps a rotation into other areas in equities.* Are we ok with such a rotation? **ABSOLUTELY!** The means there should be opportunities in other areas / groups.

So, in this weekend's newsletter, I will try to mix it up a bit and look at some groups that I have shied away from (like banks and energy) because I focus on relative strength. I am also skipping the Software group this week – it is been a crusher so far in '19, but I think it has gotten a bit overbought and would actually welcome a pause or mini correction within group.

Speaking of mini correction, are we do for one (or at this point a pause)? The IWM (Small Caps ETF) RSI is now 74 on the daily chart (anything on the relative strength index > 70 is technically overbought). *This does not mean we get either but I will take the approach of using a little common sense with short term option positions and cash balance*. For me, I do want to be able to buy the next dip and on Friday, took down a little risk so I do not get caught in short term volatility. Note I do not have a crystal ball and there is nothing in the charts indicating trouble, so if we climb higher, considering I am not fully invested, I will miss some gains. I am ok with this. I am reposting the next section from last week re being disciplined.



IWM (Small Caps)

**Conclusion / Strategy** (from last week's newsletter) Nothing ground breaking here: be disciplined. Honor stops and don't get caught if we get a bout of volatility. One line in the sand I am watching is the top of value in SPY, QQQ, IWM, which held nicely on Friday. These Index levels are good proxies that tell me if I want to be taking more or less risk. If price remains above Feb value  $\rightarrow$  excellent, I will continue as is and look for opportunities to swing trade single stocks. If we break into value  $\rightarrow$  I will be more conservative.



# Last week's sector performers:

% chng
0.40%
1.04%
1.11%
1.41%
1.75%
2.15%
2.40%
2.57%
2.73%
2.83%
2.92%
3.13%

# Last week's International performers:

Best 5d:		v	/orst 5d:		
Symbol	Description	5d % chng	Symbol	Description	5d % chng
VNM	Vietnam	6.58%	EZA	South Africa	-2.88%
ASHR	China A	5.12%	IDX	Indonesia	-2.83%
DXJ	Japan (FX'd)	4.42%	EPHE	Philippeanes	-2.17%
EWI	Italy	3.44%	PLND	Poland	-2.21%
NORW	Norway	3.39%	EPI	India	-1.73%
HEWG	Germany (FX'd)	3.39%	EWW	Mexico	-1.44%
EWJ	Japan	3.34%	RSX	Russia	-1.40%
HEDJ	Europe (FX'd)	3.26%	UAE	UAE	-1.34%
EWQ	France	3.21%	ECH	Chile	-1.11%
EWZ	Brazil	3.20%	TUR	Turkey	-0.36%
EWD	Sweden	3.09%	EEM	Emerging Mkts	-0.17%
EWN	Netherlands	3.05%	EWM	Malaysia	-0.10%

### ETF Flows (week ending 2/15/19)

US Equity ETFs saw +\$4.0B inflows last week (-\$1.6B previous week). International ETFs saw outflows of -\$1.0B (+\$2.2B previous week) & Fixed Income ETFs saw outflows of -\$0.5B (+\$2.3B previous week) last week.

US Equity ETFs broke the streak of outflows last week and posted +\$4.0B inflows. Did the money go into riskier areas of the market? *Not really.* The top 3 inflows last week were in more defensive equities: SPLV (Invesco S&P 500 Low Volatility ETF), USMV (iShares Edge MSCI Min Vol USA ETF), and XLU (Utilities) posted a combined +\$2.3B inflows which were over 50% of the US inflows. Note it wasn't all risk off as Tech posted +\$418M inflows last week.

A couple other bright stops were the IHI (Medical Devices ETF) posted +\$191M inflows, increasing the fund size by 6% and PKW (Buy Back ETF) posting +\$263M inflows, increasing its fund size by 22%.

**International areas were much quieter last week**. Emerging Markets still posted inflows but on a smaller scale, +\$260M vs a combined +\$6.4B over the two previous weeks. International Developed and European ETFs posted more inflows last week even though we saw a repeat short call buyer in the EFA ETF (see below for full International flow breakdown).

On the Fixed Income side, overall flows were also quiet. High Yield ETFs posted +\$382M and Inv Grade Corp Bonds posted +\$685M. One of the more interesting areas the last two weeks has been the **short term or cash like Bond ETFs seeing outflows**. Last week's outflows: BSV -\$387M, SHV -\$320M, SHY -\$218M, and BIL -\$178M. So, **it appears all the inflows these Bond ETFs saw in 2018, are starting to be unwound**.

Gold ETFs saw net outflows for the 2<sup>nd</sup> week with GLD -\$374M and IAU +\$127M.

US Sector Summary	for the week:	International Summary for the week:			
US Sector	5d market value change	International	5d market value change		
Utilities	793,747,500	Emerging Markets	260,626,455		
Technology	418,616,850	Hong Kong	128,367,000		
Materials	155,128,024	Asian Pacific Region	58,506,829		
Energy	86,725,039	South Korea	58,210,396		
Health Care	19,295,408	Brazil	23,936,225		
Thematic	14,741,407 Mexico		(65,685,000)		
Consumer Discretionary	4,793,952	Japan	(76,347,688)		
REITs	(7,719,095)	India	(76,738,768)		
Industrials	(8,396,259)	Taiwan	(85,358,000)		
Communications	(13,236,500)	China	(107,771,202)		
Consumer Staples	(339,390,573)	European Region	(363,832,152)		
Financial	(540,023,597)	Developed Markets	(482,516,467)		

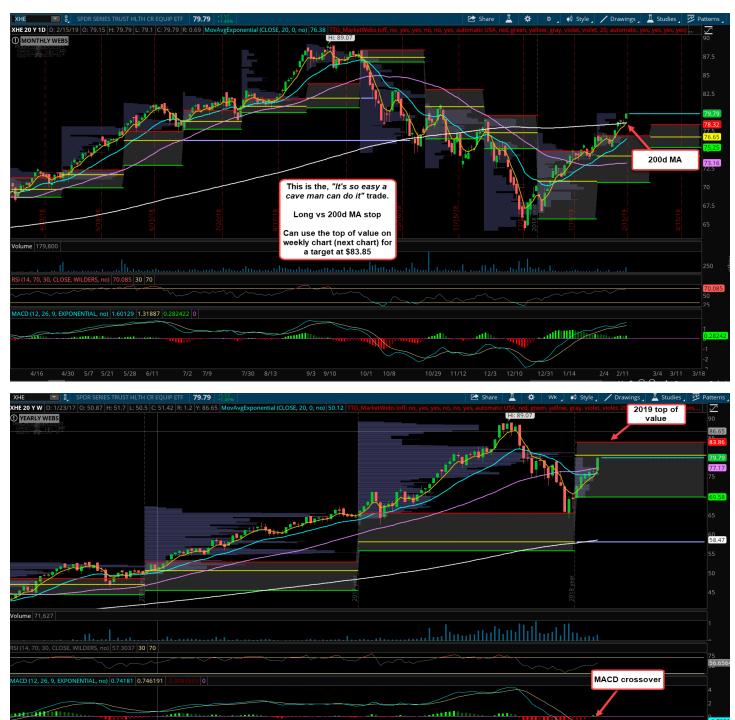
#### Largest Flows by ETF

Inflows				Outflows					
Ticker	Description	5d I	Vikt Value Chng	Fund Size 5d % Chng	Ticker	Description	5d Mkt Value Chng		Fund Size 5d % Chng
SPLV	LOW VOLATILITY EQUITIES	\$	985,072,000	10.7	ACWI	ACWI - ALL COUNTRY	\$	(634,590,000)	-6.0
USMV	MINUMUM VOLATILITY EQ	\$	718,704,000	3.2	SPY	SPX	\$	(624,105,000)	-0.2
BNDX	INTERNATIONAL BONDS	\$	687,803,670	4.5	VEU	ALL WORLD EX US	\$	(413,932,660)	-1.8
XLU	UTILITIES	\$	685,233,000	7.9	BSV	SHORT TERM BONDS	\$	(386,512,000)	-1.6
IEF	7-10YR US TREASURIES	\$	595,308,000	5.1	GLD	GOLD	\$	(374,400,000)	-1.1
IVV	SPX	\$	558,320,000	0.4	XLP	CONSUMER STAPLES	\$	(339,687,500)	-3.3
MBB	MBS	\$	556,924,000	3.7	IWM	SMALL CAPS	\$	(335,808,500)	-0.8
GSY	ULTRA SHORT DURATION	\$	527,520,000	25.2	SHV	SHORT TERM TREASURIES	\$	(320,363,000)	-1.5
XLE	ENERGY	\$	333,906,000	2.5	SPYV	S&P500 VALUE	\$	(280,953,000)	-10.1
DIA	DJIA	\$	323,312,500	1.5	SHY	1-3YR TREASURIES	\$	(217,568,000)	-1.1

Source: Bloomberg

**Chart List** – As mentioned above last week (and particularly on Friday) felt like a little rotation out there. I think this is natural, some areas get overbought and then they see profit taking.

A note about option activity – some I will post on the charts. My job is to find the trend & setup before we see call buying, because much of it is late, and when you see it, you often have to chase. That said, some are spot on and make for good trade ideas if the technical line up.



### **XHE** - SPDR S&P Health Care Equipment ETF (daily & weekly charts)

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# Taking a look under the hood in XHE

# TNDM - Tandem Diabetes Care, Inc.

This was a name I had a swing in weeks ago & took profits at the VPOC (\$45) on daily chart, also posted this in the charts section of Slack back on 2/11. This is a little tricky now because the name reports in 6 business day on the 26<sup>th</sup>. So, can buy and hold it looking for a further run up before earnings and then look to buy back on any weakness (note EW, ABT, IRSG, ALGN all sold off a bit on earnings, then they took off). Can also buy the XHE ETF (TNDM is the largest weight in the ETF at 2%).





#### ABMD - ABIOMED, Inc.



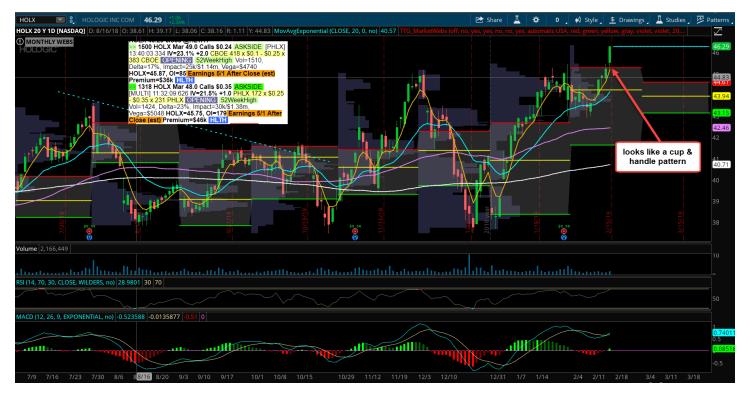
#### ABT - Abbott Laboratories



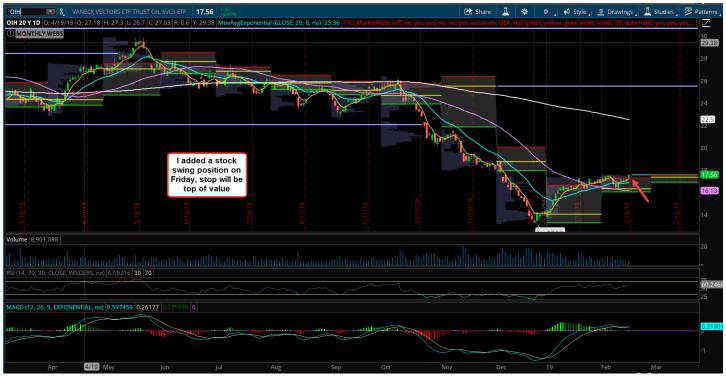
### EW- Edwards Lifesciences Corporation



#### HOLX - Hologic, Inc.



#### OIH - VanEck Vectors Oil Services ETF



### XOP - SPDR S&P Oil & Gas Exploration & Production ETF



MCD- McDonald's Corporation (daily and 1hr chart)





### HD- The Home Depot, Inc.



### DIS- The Walt Disney Company



# FLR- Fluor Corporation



#### BERY- Berry Global Group, Inc.



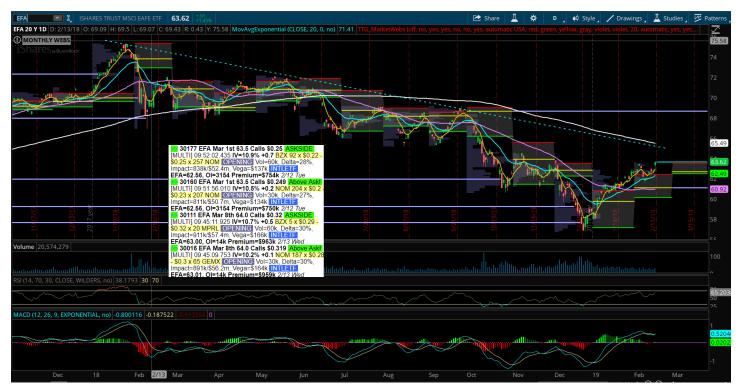
BLK- BlackRock, Inc.



#### **JPM**- JPMorgan Chase & Co.



### EFA- iShares MSCI EAFE ETF



#### HIIQ- Health Insurance Innovations, Inc.



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