

**2011 Mid-Year Letter**

**July 21, 2011**

Dear Investor,

The Greenfield Seitz core composite was up 3.62% (net of fees) during the first half of 2011. During this same period, the S&P 500 Index increased 6.02%.

**Economic Update**

Unemployment stands at 9.2%.<sup>1</sup> Employment growth slowed sharply in June with only 18,000 jobs created, down from an average of 165,000 in the previous four months.<sup>1</sup> The number of long-term unemployed (those jobless for 27 weeks) increased to 6.2 million; their share of unemployment increased to 45%.

Consumers are struggling to deal with mortgage issues, unemployment, and increased commodity prices. There are now more than 4.2 million homeowners that are more than three months behind on their mortgage payments.<sup>2</sup> Higher commodity prices, particularly oil (with gasoline prices recently up over \$4.00 per gallon) have had an impact on discretionary spending for many consumers. Food price inflation has also been a factor eating into discretionary spending. Food and gas expenses now take 22% of U.S. consumer income.<sup>3</sup> Consumer spending (which drives 2/3 of the economy) will be erratic and has the potential to slow again.

The Fed has managed to help prop up the stock market with quantitative easing, but that may be coming to an end as we doubt voters will allow another round of Fed spending. The S&P jumped more than 20% in the months following the start of QE2. The Fed has been the largest buyer of Treasuries and mortgages. Without this incremental buyer, it is likely that demand (and prices) will fall (increasing rates).

Outside of the U.S. there is also continued uncertainty. Sovereign debt issues have deteriorated in Europe as S&P cut ratings on Greece, Ireland, Italy, and Portugal. Greece has serious risk of default without another bailout package. Continued unrest in the Middle East (revolutions in Egypt, Libya, and Tunisia) has led to greater uncertainty about oil supplies. Lastly, Japan experienced a 9.0 earthquake and tsunami which killed roughly 20,000 people and caused a nuclear meltdown. The disaster led to a severe slowdown to the world's No. 3 economy that will be felt around the world.

Investors are concerned about the future economic drag from U.S. budgetary reforms that must be addressed at both the national and state levels. The U.S. is beginning to realize it must control budget deficits and the Federal debt, but we have yet to see the needed prudence and tough decisions regarding budget discipline. The debt ceiling should be a warning of more debt issues to come for the U.S.

**History of Being Early**

In our last three letters, we highlighted the negative economic facts and our defensive positioning in your portfolios. Despite all the negative issues concerning us, the market has continued to plow higher, which is why we would like to discuss our long and sometimes painful history of being early.

Over the last 18 months, we have cautioned about the laundry list of negative economic facts and yet here we are with the S&P 500 within 15% of its all-time high. You really don't want to "fight the Fed" and the power of the printing press (QE1, QE2, etc.). It is amazing to see the strength in broader markets in the face of: 1) 9.2% unemployment and 17% total unemployment; 2) housing prices down nine months in a row; 3) inflation particularly in emerging economies; 4) high fuel and raw material costs hurting businesses and consumers; 5) sovereign debt issues in Europe and the U.S.; 6) record decline in lending; and 7) tapped-out consumer that is deleveraging.

In February 2009, we wrote that the market was close to a bottom and represented real values for patient investors. As predicted, the market began to rally from oversold territory. The problem is that we expected fair value would be a ~40% rally, not 90%.

A brief history of our too early market calls includes: 1) Selling tech in 1998 when we predicted tech bubble three years too early; 2) buying gold miners in 2001; 3) buying energy companies in 2002; and 4) selling banks and predicting housing bubble in 2005.

However difficult it has been to be years too early on our market calls, it has been very rewarding for patient investors. Our defensive posture with high levels of cash and dividend oriented blue-chips has once again come too early as the market continued to rally over the last 18 months. We prefer to prepare for floods before the rain, but human nature tends to wait to buy flood insurance until the water is already rising. Investors seem to extrapolate the current trajectory of the market into the future, and since it has rebounded 90% they assume the rally must continue. However, we are concerned that stocks are not cheap (more on this later) and the government can only postpone the inevitable so long. There will be a time again when values abound, but with all the fundamental economic issues and spectacular run up in prices, we are cautious.

Despite all this, we believe we own some of the best businesses and management teams on earth.

### **Inflation, Money Printing & Political Will**

We believe inflation will continue because politicians are unwilling to make difficult choices (cutting spending/increasing taxes). History has proven that our leaders are primarily concerned with being re-elected and will sacrifice prudent long-term decisions for short-term happiness (votes). With this in mind, we believe the only route for the U.S. to take is to print more money.

Eventually, the buyers of U.S Treasuries will awake to the fact that their investment is being debased by increased money supply. We have been surprised at how long this has taken, but sovereign wealth funds have never been known as astute investors. It is interesting to note that China has reduced its holdings of U.S Treasuries in each of the last five months. This is significant when one of the largest buyer of Treasuries is now a seller. Keep in mind that China is the second largest owner of U.S Treasuries (aside from U.S.). If these large investors start to eschew Treasuries for gold, we believe interest rates will move higher (bond prices fall). With 10-year yields at just 2.9% there is considerable room for prices to fall.



### **Gold**

We have preached about gold for 10 years now. Unfortunately, we have owned the gold miners and not the commodity itself. Over the past 10 years, gold is up 500% while the Amex gold miner's index is up just 175% (still not a bad return!). There are reasons for this disparity but we believe they have reached a tipping point. The crowd seems enamored with gold and gold ETF's (currently more than \$60 billion in gold ETF's). But at the same time, the crowd is negative on gold mining stocks. There are some fundamental reasons (wages, fuel prices, ore yields, government regulations, etc) for the difference in the performance of the gold miners versus gold, but we believe the miners ultimately have so much operating leverage that they are due

for significant EPS growth. Most of the miners' costs are fixed, so an increase in gold prices (top-line revenues) can have a dramatic effect on bottom line EPS. In the case of Newmont Mining, a 5% increase in gold prices should translate into a 15% increase in EPS. In addition to EPS leverage, Newmont is expected to grow its production 35% over the next 5 years (6.2% CAGR). In fact, Newmont recently changed their dividend to be linked with gold prices (an industry first) so that a 25% increase in gold prices results in 50% increase in dividends and a 50% increase in gold prices results in a 300% increase in dividends.

## Banks

We have been underweight the Financial sector since 2004 on our concern for a weak housing market, quality of loans, and increased leverage. The financial sector is down 5% this year and down 60% since its May 2007 peak, so avoiding this sector has been beneficial. We continue to think financials will have problems with a sustained housing decline, reduced leverage, strained consumer, increased regulation, declining loan volumes, and bad debt expenses related to previous loans.

After years of increasing household debt, the U.S. is in a deleveraging cycle. The ratio of household debt to income fell to 114% this year (down from its 2007 peak of 130%), but it will take time for it to return to historical average of 90% debt/income. This decrease in lending is painful for banks and could continue for many years. Historically low interest rates also mean banks make less on net interest margin (spread between the interest income generated and interest paid to lenders). In the last 12 months, Bank of America and Morgan Stanley have reduced their 2011 earnings estimates by 46% and 51%.

While some financial companies are becoming interesting values, we continue to remain underweight the group.

## Housing

Housing appears to be in a double-dip scenario as the Case-Shiller national price average has fallen nine months in a row.<sup>4</sup> Over the years, GSCM has paid particular attention to the U.S. housing market. We like to follow housing and home values because in addition to being a \$15 trillion market, it is the largest investment for most people and drives sentiment, wealth effect, jobs, etc.



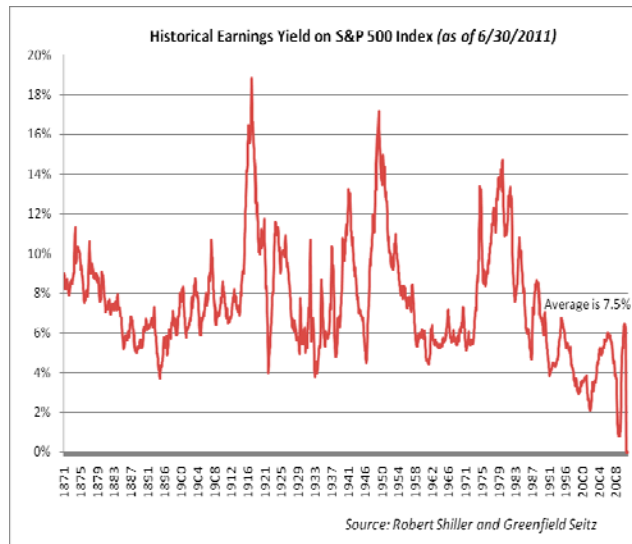
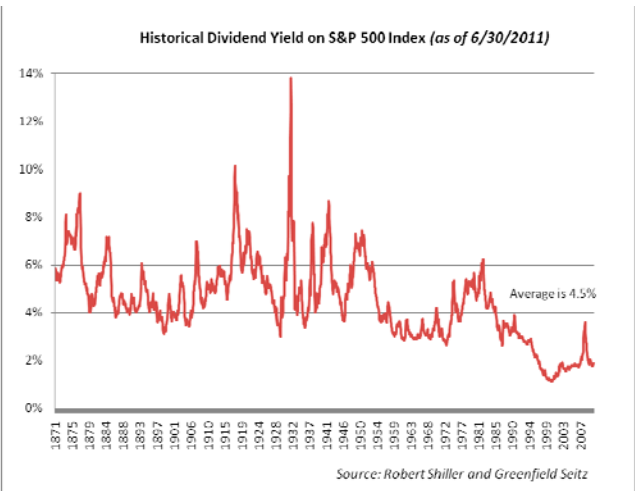
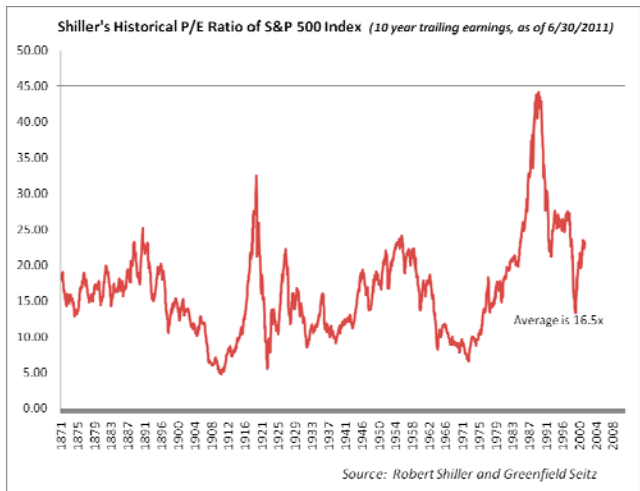
## Update on Presidential Cycle

We have written about the Presidential Cycle many times over the years as it is the single most statistically significant market predictor we know of. It was introduced to us in the 1990's by a strategist named Dick McCabe. The S&P averages 22% in year three of a President's term as the administration tries everything possible to prop up markets ensuring happy voters and re-elections. However, we recently learned all of these year three gains come before May, giving credence to the old Wall Street adage "Sell in May and Go Away." The trend continues this year as the first seven months of Presidential year three (October-April) returned 21% and the subsequent months (May-June) have returned negative 3.9%.

## Investment Outlook

Stocks are not particularly cheap as one might think following 2008/09 crisis. At today's market level, the S&P 500 is at 23x earnings (using Shiller's long-term methodology) compared to a historical average of 16x. Second, the yield on the S&P is below the historical average on both dividends and earnings. Third, according to Federal Reserve data, the overall public stock market is now priced at roughly 100% of GDP, a 33% premium to the past fifty years' median level of 75%.

We believe there are limited value opportunities given current valuations and economic outlook. As always, we think we have a good mix of quality companies with excellent management. We believe these companies will continue to grow. Many of them offer attractive dividend yields, which we hope will grow over time. Many of the companies in our portfolio are non-cyclical and we hope can grow their businesses regardless of the overall economy.



Please contact us anytime if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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1 U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. 2011  
2 LPS Applied Analytics. 2011  
3 Bureau of Economic Analysis November, 2010  
4 Standard & Poors. May, 2011  
\*All values as of 6/30/2011

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**Key Manager Change:** In February 2002, Stuart Greenfield assumed co-responsibility for stock selection and investment management from Eric Greenfield. Yancey Seitz has shared investment management responsibility during all periods of the Composite.

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**Benchmark:** The S&P 500 is an unmanaged index of the shares of large U.S. companies. It includes reinvested dividends and is presented gross of fees.

**Statistical Definitions:** Tracking error/Standard Deviation is the square root of the variance. Beta is measure of a portfolio's volatility relative to the market. R2 is the relative predictive power of a model. Alpha is the extra return above what CAPM determines for the amount of risk taken, risk adjusted return. Excess Return is return in excess of the risk-free rate.

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**Greenfield Seitz Capital Management**  
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## Core Composite Returns (accounts over \$1 million) Net-of-Fees

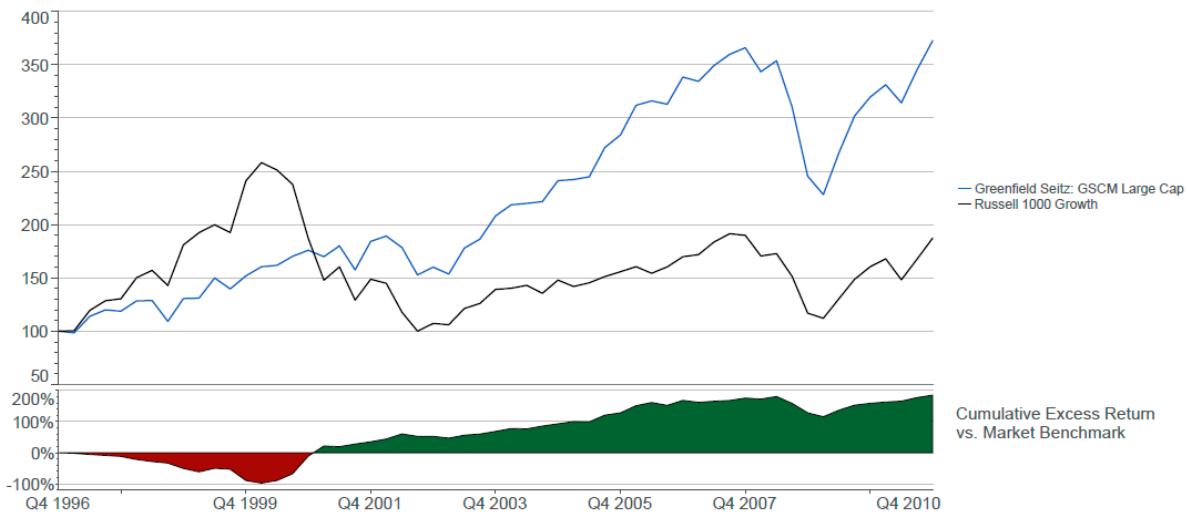
Year	GSCM Composite Total Return	S&P 500 Total Return	Number of Portfolios	Dispersion %	Total Composite Assets End of Period (millions)	Total Firm Assets End of Period (millions)
1997	17.10%	33.36%	22	6.14	\$43.80	\$138.69
1998	8.94%	28.58%	22	7.66	\$42.99	\$165.11
1999	15.15%	21.04%	24	6.61	\$50.65	\$179.31
2000	14.81%	-9.11%	32	5.10	\$63.92	\$194.67
2001	3.68%	-11.88%	36	4.53	\$70.85	\$201.94
2002	-14.32%	-22.10%	37	4.25	\$64.62	\$172.01
2003	28.77%	28.68%	38	6.04	\$76.22	\$200.36
2004	14.79%	10.88%	45	3.59	\$100.21	\$231.78
2005	16.62%	4.90%	55	4.77	\$123.77	\$226.25
2006	18.85%	15.79%	61	2.94	\$150.21	\$267.49
2007	7.22%	5.50%	63	2.74	\$149.20	\$273.20
2008	-34.43%	-37.00%	60	3.75	\$97.13	\$186.79
2009	29.17%	26.46%	55	6.15	\$103.07	\$197.42
2010	14.81%	15.06%	52	3.59	\$116.64	\$220.98
6/30/2011	3.62%	6.02%	59	N/A	\$244.22	\$337.91

<b>Cumulative Return</b>	<b>231.60%</b>	<b>130.10%</b>
<b>Annualized Rate Return:</b>	<b>GSCM</b>	<b>S&amp;P 500</b>
<b>Since Inception (12/31/96)</b>	<b>11.51%</b>	<b>7.87%</b>
10 Years	6.62%	1.41%
5 Years	4.38%	2.29%
3 Years	-0.93%	-2.86%
<b>Worst 3-yr Period</b>	<b>-9.19%</b>	<b>-37.61%</b>

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### Manager Performance

January 1997 - December 2010 (Single Computation)



	Portfolio Performance			vs. Russell 1000 Growth					
	Annualized Return (%)	Cumulative Return (%)	Std Dev (%)	Annualized Excess Return (%)	Cumulative Excess Return (%)	Info Ratio	Significance Level (%)	Explained Variance (%)	Tracking Error (%)
Greenfield Seitz: GSCM Large Cap	9.85	272.59	16.97	5.27	185.30	0.41	92.80	67.01	12.74