

# Is it Different This Time?

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Central Plains Advisors believes it is imperative to continue to evaluate our own investment outlook. It is human behavior to always want to read and listen only to those that agree with one's economic and market outlook. Being human is a trait with which we seem to be overly endowed. With that in mind, we have completed the reading of a new book "Our Brave New World," written by the principals of Gave Kal Research located in Hong Kong. It does have a unique and different Economic Outlook than ours however, much to our surprise, our investment strategy should work well in their scenario.

As you know from time to time (one might really say all the time) our economic outlook is heavily flavored by in particular, the huge consumer debt built up over the last 10 years. Gave Kal understands such, but has a different take on the ultimate result. We plan to cover their position thoroughly in our economic commentary in January. The book will be highlighted in a seminar we expect to have in February. We will hand out free copies of this book to the first reservations. Please watch the mail or call ASAP. It also fits in with our Bison II, III, and IV programs which will be launched January 1, 2006.

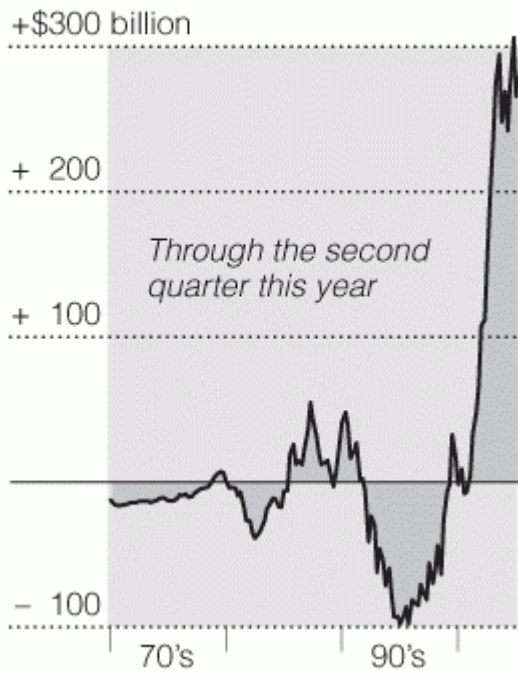
The following is taken directly from their book and accurately enumerates why one must always evaluate ones position "When a thought process fails i.e. when history fails to rhyme, money managers and analysts can typically respond in one of four ways"

1. "Shut up and crawl under the carpet. This is usually an expensive proposition."
2. "Pretend that the numbers are wrong and that despite all the signs, they are right (i.e. enter in denial.) This too is an expensive proposition."
3. "Hope that one is simply early and that one's scenario is about to unfold. This can sometimes work, but more often than not, proves costly."
4. "Admit that one has been wrong, and try to find out where the mistakes lie. This is the most intellectually honest stance to take. After all, as Churchill once said "an economist needs to be able to forecast what is going to happen in a week, a month and a year, and then be able to explain why it did not."

We believe the book has merit. We continue to study and analyze their approach. As mentioned previously our four Bison programs (Bison Bond I, II, III, and IV) appear to be a fit for both their and our investment outlooks. This being true even though our economic outlook is not exactly the same.

In the mean time – more to worry about re: the consumer and the housing market. See below.

### Net home equity cash-outs



### Household savings (based on earnings)

