

#### December 2013

# 2013 Twitter

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_16h

Intriguing that #BRK put PSX sub under Lubrizol rather than pipelines/energy. There must be big plans for it.

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2. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_30 Dec



If SEC asks about <u>#captives</u> have they also asked about impact of long-term low interest rate scenario due to Fed policy? <u>#materiality</u>

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3. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_29 Dec

My October newsletter describes how to implement ERM at a company. As ORSA looms I can help you succeed! http://lnkd.in/b8TqqNr

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- 4. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 27 Dec

We must be sure to differentiate between true <u>#systemic</u> risks and risks that threaten a single company.

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- 5. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_23 Dec

My July 2013 newsletter comments on changes 5 years post the Lehman implosion.  $\label{eq:http://lnkd.in/bK5pP8p} http://lnkd.in/bK5pP8p$ 

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6. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_22 Dec

@fj\_orduna thanks for the dialogue!



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7. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 22 Dec

<u>@fj\_orduna</u> Those things will all happen anyway if expected returns are unrealistic. Advancing timetable is good for participants.

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<u>@fj\_orduna</u> if goal is to pay benefits, plan expects 8% returns, actual bonds earn much less, why seek low volatility? It guarantees failure!

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9. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_22 Dec

<u>@fj orduna</u> if rates rise bonds will fall more than stocks - not safer - current yield is similar between equities/bonds - I prefer dividends

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10. **Max Rudolph\_@**maxrudolph\_21 Dec

Those moving to bonds to <u>#derisk</u> pension plans are making a bet and may lose it in the long run #scenariotesting

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11. **Max Rudolph** @maxrudolph\_21 Dec

Hats off to climate change deniers living in south Florida - you're living in the ocean if you're wrong!

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- 12. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_19 Dec

Tapering is likely to show where bubbles have been forming. #letthefunbegin

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- 13. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_17 Dec

We need to work towards merging defense/civil/social security retirement plans or we will constantly have infighting. #consistency

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- 14. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_17 Dec

I worry about the expertise behind the <u>#FIO</u> report when they use terms like <u>#durationrisk</u>. (duration measures interest rate risk) <u>#sloppy</u>

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I have posted my June 2013 newsletter that responded to an article describing The Buffett Cult. Fun look at what someone looks for when they buy BRK. http://lnkd.in/b4vFnum

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AQR's paper Buffett's Alpha should have been called Efficient Market Theory proven false! Why does media avoid this #obviousconclusion?

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17. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 16 Dec

Latest round of minimum wage debate will drive development of mechanical burger flipping machines. #jobdestruction

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18. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_14 Dec

<u>#FIO</u> report mentions primary AIG regulator (OTS) only in footnote and takes no <u>#accountability</u> for the federal role in collapse.

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<u>#FIO</u> report appears to consider status quo insurer regulation and national regs but not regional compacts. Regulator <u>#concentrationrisk</u>

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Starting to read <u>#FIO</u> report on insurance regulation. Pretty disappointed they didn't consider my research on investment practices.

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http://lnkd.in/bScucxc My article on sustainability has been published. Still lots to learn but available to speak on this topic.

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22. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_6 Dec

Genetically modified food seems much less risky than our focus on <u>#monoculture</u> crops. <u>#longtimehorizon</u>

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#pensionrisk don't allow funding of bonuses or deferred comp if pension plan is less than 90% funded. #accountability

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To an outsider <u>#pensionrisk</u> can be reduced by simple measures. Don't commingle plans, especially deferred comp for CEO. <u>#accountability</u>

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http://lnkd.in/bTvE56U I just posted my May 2013 newsletter on last year's Emerging Risks survey (full article).

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26. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_30 Nov

Do public companies choose C-suite members for board because they don't really want input and those people "get it?" #governance

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# 27. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_29 Nov

Why is the default to reinvest mutual fund dividends? We miss the chance to rebalance or wait for an opportunity to #buylow. #valueinvesting

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- 28. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_24 Nov

In the future if we look back and recognize that bonds were more risky today than historically, will target funds be sued? #reputationrisk

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If you truly believe that ocean levels will rise, at what point do you stop building infrastructure in threatened locations? #sustainability

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- 30. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_16 Nov

How long can we rely on "just in time" science to feed a growing population? Each solution has its own #unintendedconsequences.

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How can groups pushing for nickel trading argue against a small financial transaction tax?

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- 32. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_8 Nov

Register for Nov 14 webcast Two Peas in a Pod about my research comparing value investing and ERM. http://lnkd.in/bQc-jRS

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http://soa.qualtrics.com/WRQualtricsSurveyEngine/?SID=SV\_enCCsQQRC69rImF&RID=MLRP\_42 djj6AnslfxzjT&\_=1 ... Don't forget to complete the Survey of Emerging Risks. This year you can print your responses when you are done!

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34. **Max Rudolph\_**@maxrudolph\_7 Nov

A combination of melting Himalayan glaciers, changing monsoonal storms and sea level rise will change Indian sub-continent in major ways.

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If NFL insiders don't think \$30,000 teammate dinner is out of line it's not surprising that most players end up with nothing. #duh #culture

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- 36. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_5 Nov

If a regulator only cares only about stochastic analysis they are feeding the next crisis. <u>#balance</u> #riskmanagement

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- 37. Actuary.Org\_@ Actuary\_Dot\_Org\_4 Nov

Passing of gavel marks transition from Academy President Cecil Bykerk to new Pres. Tom Terry #CASannual pic.twitter.com/3r9j5nGVfZ

Retweeted by Max Rudolph







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Stocks in general are not in bubble mode but I'm finding it tough to find buying opportunities. #Valueinvestor

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If heat waves are driving future food supply decreases, how will plants adapt quickly enough without #geneticmodifications?

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- 40. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_3 Nov

If truly fiduciary duty and off balance sheet, then DB pension plans should have ee boards like credit unions and hire expertise. #incentives

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41. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_2 Nov



Could it be that life insurers' greatest systemic risk is the NAIC imposed interest rate guarantees? #unintendedconsequences

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Thinking lately about velocity of money and how monetary/fiscal policy work against each other in a high debt environment.

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We should think more about unknown knowns, where our assumptions are wrong but we don't recognize it.

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- 44. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_24 Oct

Treasury & Risk just published a Q&A where they interviewed me about ERM. It's well done. http://www.treasuryandrisk.com/2013/10/24/bestand-worstpractices-in-erm?eNL=5268562b160ba03b5d0000db&utm\_source=TreasuryAndRisk&utm\_medium=eNL&utm\_c ampaign=TreasuryAndRisk\_eNLs&\_LID=75838428 ...

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45. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 23 Oct



The 2013 Survey of Emerging Risks is open. Fill it out and pass it on to others. http://soa.qualtrics.com/WRQualtricsSurveyEngine/?SID=SV\_enCCsQQRC69rImF&RID=MLRP\_42 djj6AnslfxzjT&\_=1 ...

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Economic <u>#resilience</u> is low today - we are very susceptible to a negative shock and have few tools left to combat it.

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47. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_7 Oct

I thought "greens" were nuts when they said authoritarian states would move first on climate but current situation in US gives credibility.

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48. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_4 Oct

Tornados in Nebraska/Iowa in October. Wow! I hope climate deniers are right and this is just a #randomtailevent. #staysafe

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49. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 3 Oct



I'm disappointed that the new SOA mortality research paper that focuses on trends ignores any impact from a warmer and more polluted planet.

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50. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_30 Sep

Well received presentation on predicting extreme events with Dr. Guntram Werther at CAS In Focus today! I'm enjoying the discussions.

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51. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_28 Sep

I'm very much looking forward to the CAS In-Focus seminar this week, hearing the casualty perspective on extreme events. I'm presenting too!

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52. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_26 Sep

We manage finances and climate in the same way. We reduce minor volatility but create an environment highly susceptible to extreme events.

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Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 24 Sep



If no one called you an idiot (or worse), then you did not suggest an outcome far enough in the tail! #scenarioplanning

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Low interest rates make far off outcomes more important. Should help decision making as environmental changes drive actions. #discounting

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- 55. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_20 Sep

If a risk has extreme potential outcomes then it should be managed beyond 2 standard deviations. #longtermrisk #coloradoflooding

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Adding 5000 to the risk department won't improve a company's risk profile. Instead add a few who coordinate risks across units. #ERM

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57. SocietyofActuaries\_@SOActuaries\_16 Sep



5 years after Lehman, is financial system healthier or do problems persist? Riskpertise  $\underline{@maxrudolph}$  http://bit.ly/165gAoD

Retweeted by Max Rudolph

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58. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_11 Sep

Modelers need to remember that recent historical data won't include the next big problem. Stress tests require #creativity.

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59. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_9 Sep

Some cities will stop functioning due to underfunded pensions as they try to raise taxes to pay. Individuals/companies will flee to avoid.

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60. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_9 Sep

Both Borsheim's and Helzberg's will have slots at Nebraska outlet - opportunity or brand dilution? #brk

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http://www.soa.org/library/newsletters/risk-management-newsletter/2013/august/jrm-2013-iss27-rudolph.pdf ... Short article summarizing the 2012 Emerging Risk Survey Research...http://lnkd.in/Mdv585

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...I argued that multiple regulators were more likely to catch problems than one in a form of concentration risk.

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63. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 4 Sep

With FSB calling for federal insurance regulation I'm surprised NAIC hasn't quoted my research about insurer practices during the crisis...

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64. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_30 Aug

If AIG Financial Products had invested in stocks, rather than derivatives that could incur losses > investment, it would have been a non-issue.

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Finishing up an <u>#ORSA</u> project - great opportunity for companies to bring in outside experts to improve <u>#ERM</u> practices!

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Revealing contradiction - best preparation for <u>#ORSA</u> requires outside help to see risk from multiple perspectives.

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67. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_22 Aug

http://lnkd.in/PeG5iT Very excited to have the cover story in this month's Actuary magazine. Value Investing meets ERM, and they are kissing cousins.

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68. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_21 Aug

#LDI real life case study is beginning. Likely not as well matched as pension experts think.

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<u>@SteveLCraighead</u> I like DB plans just not the way valuation works. Back ended so not sustainable - see public plans today.

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Just signed up for the <u>#CAS</u> In-Focus seminar in Chicago this fall. Looking forward to presenting on extreme events!

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71. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 7 Aug

If managing pensions is not a core competency for a company they should fund but not manage risks. Do pension actuaries have DB plans?

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72. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_7 Aug

Pension plans 90% funded - should be having discussions NOW about shutting them down before the next equities correction.

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Will China still be called an emerging market when its GDP is the world's largest?

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74. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_6 Aug

Risk managers should be paid a higher base salary and no bonus based on financial results. #misalignedincentives

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75. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_22 Jul

I wonder how many insurers have CRO and ERM Committee just so they can answer AM Best <u>#SRQ</u> questions?

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76. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_22 Jul

Market <u>#volatility</u> will be interesting this fall as it works through loose monetary and tight (relative to year ago) fiscal policy.

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Just finished listening to The Hour Between Dog and Wolf. Lots to think about. Might need a second time through.

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- 78. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_18 Jul

I've had strong personal investing results since failing to renew <u>#WSJ</u> last year. <u>#Coincidence</u>?

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When insurers think they know how to invest better than competitors it generally ends badly.

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- 80. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_30 Jun

Flip this house seminars in Nebraska this week seem <u>#Ponzi</u>-like after recent rise in <u>#mortgagerates</u>

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- 81. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_25 Jun



Finished reading David Quammen's <u>#Spillover</u>. Very good read. Scary yet plausible <u>#scenarios</u> relate how zoonotic viruses jump to humans.

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82. **SocietyofActuaries** @ SOActuaries 19 Jun

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Read the Joint Risk Management Section's Research Report Describing the Results of the 2012 Emerging Risks Survey. http://bit.ly/126kfcJ

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84. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_6 Jun

Stochastic interest rate generators don't create deflationary scenarios and mean revert slowly to higher rates. #stress

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85. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_5 Jun

With current environment, stochastic models will generate too little <u>#economiccapital</u>. <u>#Scenarios</u> are better tool to drive decisions.

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86. **Max Rudolph\_**@maxrudolph\_4 Jun

http://news.investors.com/management-managing-for-success/053113-658369-what-businesses-should-fear-most.htm ... Another quick article about <u>#EmergingRisk</u> survey from Investor's Business Daily

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87. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_30 May

http://lnkd.in/WMJ4KB INN reporting on my #emergingrisk survey

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88. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_30 May

http://lnkd.in/K-WCdt 6th Emerging Risks survey released!

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http://hbr.org/2013/05/living-in-the-futures/ar/1 ... Excellent article in HBR May 2013 about scenario planning - focusing on long term choices!

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Plausible <u>#scenarios</u> include currency war driven <u>#deflation</u> and <u>#hyperinflation</u>. My don't we live in interesting times!

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91. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 27 May

I finally read Where are the Customers Yachts? by Fred Schwed. It's good but main value is recognition of behavioral finance so long ago.

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92. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_24 May

Mortgage rates likely just bounced off their lows for this generation.

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http://lnkd.in/AFfzzX Just finished reading Global Trends 2030 from National Intelligence Council (NIC). Very thought provoking!

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Higher climate volatility makes crop insurance more important than ever

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95. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_13 May

I finally finished Mandelbrot's (mis)behavior of markets. Interesting and an easy read but not sure what I will do with it.:)

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96. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_12 May

It would be interesting to chart Berkshire Hathaway's cash position against a broad stock index. #leadingindicator

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http://lnkd.in/mF-PV6 I have posted my incentives essay as the February newsletter.

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98. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_7 May

Margin buying is up. Profit to GDP is up. Where are the skeptics? Storm clouds are brewing and last to the party are knocking on the door.

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99. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_4 May

Those 5 year investments made by #Buffett in 2009 will provide cash to invest next year. Load the elephant gun!

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100. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_4 May

Very pleased to see Meryl Witmer added to the <u>#brk</u> board. I pay attention when she speaks. Not true for most "professional" board members.

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<u>@LJRittenhouse</u> is following me around:) last week <u>#ermsymposium</u> this week <u>#BRK</u> meeting

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_3 May

Just finished 2010 Megadisasters by Diacu. Recently drawn to books about extreme events and how to prepare for them.

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103. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_2 May

I'm looking forward to Berkshire weekend - CFA Nebraska is hosting Mario Gabelli tonight and #BRK Woodstock for Capitalists on Saturday.

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104. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_30 Apr

Timing of Berkshire Hathaway announcements always interesting near the annual meeting. Usually #Buffett waits until after. Impact on Jain?

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_26 Apr

Berkshire Hathaway's hire of 4 AIG execs should provide bench depth and succession planning behind Ajit Jain.

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106. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_24 Apr

What happened to last year's discussion of a country CRO at the <u>#ermsymposium</u>?

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107. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_24 Apr

Speaker from Fed at <u>#ermsymposium</u> says CTE no good since you don't know distribution. How was the product priced? Not with stress tests!

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108. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_23 Apr

Systemic risk decreases with transparency. #ermsymposium

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109. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_22 Apr



http://lnkd.in/MPPVSd March newsletter shows my intrinsic value calculation for Berkshire Hathaway.

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110. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_19 Apr

Sure it won't pass, but White House plan to cap retirement assets makes no sense. Includes DB, IRA, 401(k) and limits to just over \$3M. #incentives

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111. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_18 Apr

With family cluster identified, risk managers should be monitoring the H7N9 situation and reviewing contingent pandemic plans. #proactive

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112. **Max Rudolph\_**@maxrudolph\_17 Apr

As details emerge of retirement plan cap, <u>#incentives</u> for saving continue to disappear. Plan is good only for middlemen who can hide savings.

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113. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_16 Apr

#incentives Bonuses should be reduced/eliminated if pension is underfunded.



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Dave Ingram\_@dingramerm\_16 Apr

Future Uncertainty http://wp.me/pevO4-13R

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115. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_16 Apr

Boston creates another risk data point. What will we do differently next time? #evolvingriskresponse

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116. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_12 Apr

Budget proposal caps retirement accounts at \$3M is a poor <u>#incentive</u> for savers. 20 years of contributions starting at 25 grows to \$3M <u>@8</u>%

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117. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_12 Apr

Beware the consultant claiming their solution is "best". We all should continue to learn and evolve our methods. #cookiecuttermethods



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118. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_9 Apr

Another proxy season, another group of board members with little or no direct investment in companies they oversee. #incentives

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119. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_5 Apr

Really nice shout out from Terry Savage for the work actuaries are doing on personal finance education. http://lnkd.in/hquttV

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120. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_1 Apr

Interesting thoughts while simultaneously reading <u>#Reinhart</u>/Rogoff and <u>#Bair</u>. Makes me question incentives of those at banks and regulators.

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121. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_29 Mar

When someone is <u>#powerhungry</u> they assume when negotiating that everyone else has the same <u>#incentives</u>

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122. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_27 Mar

<u>#EZregulation</u> How dumb can you be? Closed Cyprus banks, allowed branches elsewhere to stay open with no restrictions on withdrawals. #nobrains

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123. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_26 Mar

<u>#IAIS</u> could have saved time on global <u>#SIFI</u> discussion by reading research we did on insurer investments during crisis. <u>#CFA</u> mag article too

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124. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_25 Mar

As I read about the financial crisis it seems policy was driven by politics and staff had little real knowledge of financial institutions.

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125. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_23 Mar

Applying #rocketscience to #investing is fun but a poor #decisionmaking process.

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Good CFA mag article about pension bonds. Higher risk should be reflected in valuation methods used. #riskmanagement

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Charles Perrow's The Next Catastrophe one of the most thought provoking books I have read. Looking forward to his talk at the #ERMSymposium

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Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 19 Mar

Looking forward to next month's <u>#ERMSymposium</u>. I'm reading <u>#SheilaBair</u>'s Bull by the Horns - maybe I'll have a question for her!

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129. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_19 Mar

 $http://www.soa.org/library/newsletters/risks-and-rewards/2013/march/rar-2013-iss61.pdf \dots The SOA reprinted an article I wrote on Insurer Investing during the Crisis.\\$ 

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If the Fed were abolished it would have to dump all its assets in a fire sale. #SIFI #jobsecurity

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131. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_17 Mar

From Sheila Bair's book, tension is appropriate between agency and oversight staff. Hard to implement in corporate world.

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132. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_16 Mar

When rates are so low, asset allocation models should not put as much in retiree bond funds. #rulesofthumbdontalwayswork

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133. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_15 Mar

This research project is the topic of seminar April 22 at ERM Symposium - outlier forecasts http://lnkd.in/EtUhsH

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When a risk manager helps to avoid or lessen the impact of a risk, management often sees the risk as obvious in 20/20 hindsight. #norespect

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Congrats to new <u>#brk</u> board member Meryl Witmer, my favorite <u>#barron</u>'s round table member. #makesmethink

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Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 8 Mar

The actuarial profession has standards for <u>#enterpriseriskmanagement</u>, CE requirement, and an ethical code of conduct! Anyone else? Anyone?

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_7 Mar

<u>#riskmanagement</u> for sports teams playing on neutral floor - take both uniforms! Local team borrowed unis for state tournament game then won!

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I'm looking forward to speaking at <u>#Drake</u> Monday at their <u>#ERM</u> Roundtable. It should be a good discussion.

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March 4 Bloomberg BusinessWeek issue has an ERM article where I was interviewed. Discussed upside risk and importance in strategic planning.

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Mars rover went into shutdown mode due to <u>#geomagnetic</u> storms. This strategy could work for an electrical grid on earth too.

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141. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 5 Mar

I'm reading Nate Silver's Signal and Noise. Good book. Makes me realize intrinsic value calculations are the signal and prices are noise.

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If your mantra is "You can't manage what you can't measure" watch out. Once you measure something its behavior changes.

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While I expect #brk to pay a 4% dividend after #web is gone I don't want him distracted with \$2B annually to invest for his own portfolio.

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_2 Mar

<u>#brk</u> The 2012 annual report says that Ted Weschler and Todd Combs sometimes make joint purchases. How much do they work together? <u>#askwarren</u>

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_1 Mar

Were environmental studies done about the <u>#Keystone</u> alternative, running oil by rail on tracks over the aquifer or along the mighty Mo?

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_1 Mar

<u>#brk</u> per <u>#web</u> - insurer MUST understand ALL exposures that MIGHT cause a policy to incur losses - sounds like emerging risks to me!

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#brk negative float cost every year since 911, \$2B/year, #wow #intrinsicvalue

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148. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_24 Feb

When buying an asset (e.g., stock, bond), qualitatively consider disruptive technologies like 3D printing for impact on underlying company.

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149. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_21 Feb

Boards should ask risk team to list 3 topics that served as a source of stress with management team in the last year. #ERM #governance

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EZ <u>#taxhike</u> - take cap off FICA contributions for individuals/employers. Revenue AND reduces supplementary retirement income for big shots.

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Feb 13 R&I has 2 articles re risk as opportunity but don't take the leap from my recent paper to consider RM for investing. #ERM

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Max Rudolph @maxrudolph 20 Feb

Do we ever learn? Low interest rates will drive the next round of <u>#LBOs</u>, but many will overextend and end up like Reader's Digest.

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153. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_14 Feb

Today's HNZ purchase seems like a strategy change for #Buffett. He won't have control. Much like buying a stock. Seems odd.

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Happy to share my new white paper discussing similarities between ERM and value investing. Article to follow! http://lnkd.in/BBtaqV

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Heard <u>#KCFed</u> President Esther George speak today. Surprised she didn't take opportunity to talk about complexities of currency manipulation on economy.

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_11 Feb

Currency wars: round 1 Japan, round 2 Venezuela. Who's next? Argentina? South America is heating up!

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157. **Max Rudolph**\_@maxrudolph\_9 Feb

<u>#Kahneman</u>'s question to <u>#Taleb</u> about turkey <u>#BlackSwan</u> (good life, die healthy and quick) reminds me of movie Logan's Run.

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_6 Feb

Is CIGNA's BRK reinsurance deal for VA block a leading indicator for bull market as it was in 2002 when CIGNA locked in losses?

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_1 Feb

I released my 2013 predictions at http://lnkd.in/vp85SE Hopefully it will make you think! http://lnkd.in/CgcWvT

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_26 Jan

If an investor can beat the market then leverage is an unnecessary risk. Time is on your side.

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It's interesting that WEF Global Risks survey has Venezuela and Argentina as bottom 2 for risk effectiveness. Ties back to my concerns.

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_24 Jan

Until the <u>#NAIC</u> uses skeptics rather than lawyers and auditors its <u>#ERM</u> efforts like ORSA and Risk Focused Exams will fall short.

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A "good" investor can only become "great" when they control the pot of money so cash flows are stable.

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Chuckling at reference to Barney Fife in my value investing/ERM white paper. Working on final edits now. Just nip it in the bud! #realerm

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165. Max Rudolph @maxrudolph\_21 Jan

When refinancing a home loan why do I have to get a cashier's check but mortgage company doesn't have to? Which is riskier?

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<u>#unintendedconsequences</u> when pension regs set up EA designation it cut off practitioners from ALM development. Still catching up.

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Global Risks 2013 thoughtful read but misses the anchoring impact on survey. Why is their list of risks so volatile if time horizon is long?

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_12 Jan

Gerrymandering leads to blue/red states with politicians incented to take extreme positions, then we wonder why they can't compromise.

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Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_10 Jan

Even I feel bad for pension actuaries in NYT op-ed piece. "Better" methods make 2 years difference in SocSec insolvency. <u>#roundingerror</u>

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"Call stands" is NFL replay term for David Sokol's misdeeds. "The SEC decided not to take action" differs from "never did anything wrong".

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Read how I did with my 2012 predictions. Once again I did surprisingly well, especially with my home market forecast. ...http://lnkd.in/HyKt7K

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172. Max Rudolph\_@maxrudolph\_3 Jan

Companies use ERM in 1 of 3 ways; create reports, use information to mitigate risk (say no), combine risk/returns strategically.

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In my December newsletter I collected all my tweets for the year. http://lnkd.in/7W7HGQ

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