RETIREMENT TRAPS and WILL I HAVE ENOUGH?

How to protect my heirs

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In the beginning...

- 1. First some advice: grandkids
 - Use your influence as a grandparent
- 2. Will I have enough?

 How long will I need it
- 3. How to protect my heirs IRA traps

Write 'em a letter

4. Some general tips

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In the beginning...

- · Teach the importance of saving
- · Teach what to invest in
- Teach living expenses must be < than income
 - After saving 10-15% -- automatic deposit
- Teach credit card debt is not acceptable
 - Making the minimum payment is a road to financial ruin

Retirement: Planning

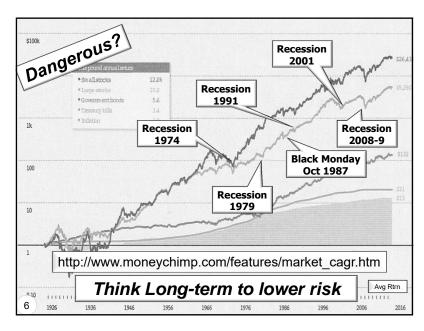
- In 1975 <u>85%</u> of workers had a workplace retirement plan
 - Provided by company or labor union
- Today: less than 30%
 - Most companies converting to 401(k) plan, etc.
 - · Small matching contribution from company
- THEY'RE ON THEIR OWN

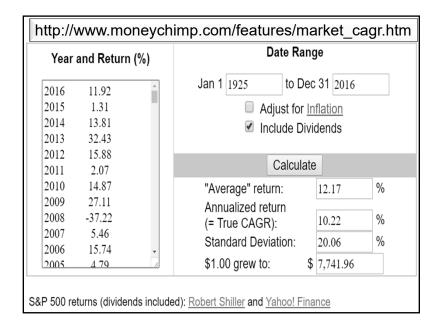
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Where to invest:

- Stock market offers the highest return
 - · Managed mutual funds?
 - · Don't beat the market
 - Index funds
 - · Always match the market
 - Individual companies?
 - · Can beat the market
 - · Not for the average investor

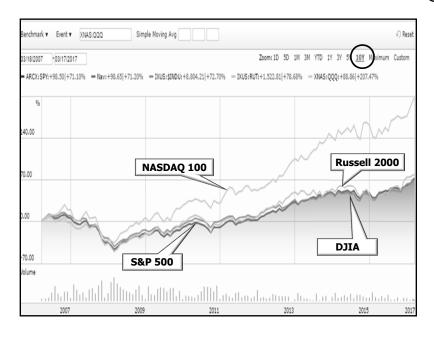
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Those with their first paycheck (and the average investor)

- Invest in an index fund:
 - S&P 500
 - Dow Jones Industrial Average
 - NASDAQ 100



Retirement: MONEY & Time

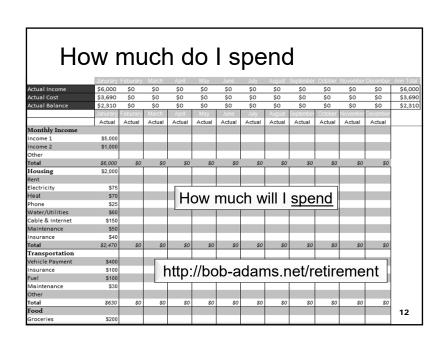
- Questions:
 - How much am I spending?
 - How much will I need?
 - · How long will I need it?
 - When should I start it?
 - IRA Traps

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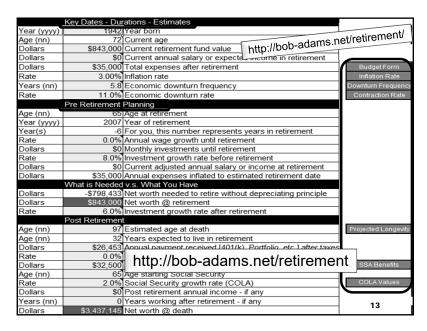
Retirement Planning

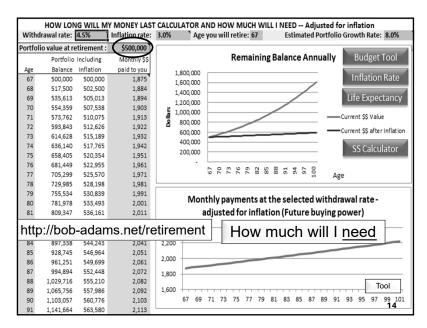
- Budget form what am I spending
- Spreadsheet analysis what do I need
 - · How long will I need it
- Additional Income sources social security
 - Estimated Social Security payments calculator
 - · Life Expectancy calculator

http://www.socialsecurity.gov/planners/lifeexpectancy.htm



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How Long Will I Need It: Longevity Calculator

http://media.nmfn.com/tnetwork/lifespan/index.html#13

• Detailed and fun—no email address (recommended)

https://rslic.metlife.com/lic/corpLongevitv.do

Medium detailed—no email address.

https://www.livingto100.com/calculator/start/1

· Detailed—requires email address

https://apps.bluezones.com/en/vitality

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Online APS:

- · Type in your spending and income
- BudgetSimple analyzes your finances
 - · Shows spending patterns-where your \$\$ are going

www.budgetsimple.com Android - iPhone

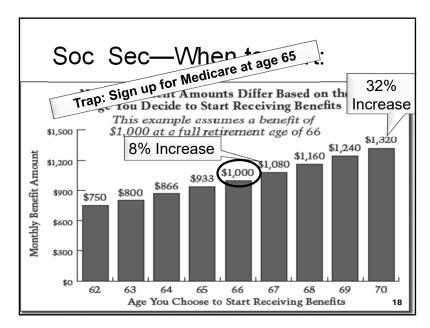
- Monitor bills, bank accounts, credit cards
 - · Alerts you when payments due and funds are low

www.check.me

Retirement Planning

- What income will you need annually
 - \$50,000? (Double it every 24 years)
 - · Minus Social Security
 - Perhaps \$25,000 annually from your 401(k)
 - Maximum withdrawal 4.5%
- Total Amount needed in 401(k), IRA
 - 10 X current gross income

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401(k): Cost

- Article on 401(k) <u>fees</u>. 0.78% mean average
 If over 1% complain to your company
- http://blogs.smartmoney.com/encore/2012/0 9/10/among-401k-investors-a-biginformation-gap/?link=SM hp retirement
- 38% didn't think they pay a fee
- 50% didn't know they paid a fee
 - · Fees: Mutual Fund fee, Company fee
 - http://americasbest401k.com/fee-checker/

IRA Inheritance Traps --

- One wrong move and the entire IRA is taxed rather than tax-deferred
 - · Here's what you need to know...

IRA Traps -- Spouse

- You're a spouse who inherits an IRA
 - "Retitle" it by putting it in your name
 - Or
 - Roll it into an IRA in your name
 - Withdrawals will be required when you reach age 70 ½

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IRA Traps -- Spouse

- If younger than 59 ½ 10% tax on any payout unless: retitled as an <u>Inherited IRA</u>
 - "John Jones deceased (date) for benefit of Mary Jones, beneficiary"
 - · Can withdraw without penalty
- At age 59 ½ retitle in Mary's name only
 - If not done—required withdrawals begin when deceased spouse would have reached 70 ½

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IRA Traps -- Children

- Do not roll inherited IRA into child's IRA
 - Retitle it: "John Joe's IRA deceased (date) for the benefit of Bob Adams, beneficiary"
- · Each child retitles the IRA
 - At age 59 ½ retitle into child's name only
- Inherit a 401(k)?
 - · Retitle it as an inherited IRA

The Retirement Savings Time Bomb...and How to Defuse it Ed Slott - Syndicated Columnist

Medicare Trap -- You

- At age 65 sign up for Medicare
 - (Unless continuing to work for a company with 20+ employees)
 - · Delaying may cost more and be delayed
- Delay taking Social Security if possible: +8%
- If you have private health insurance:
 - Check to see how Medicare fits into your plan
 - Do not cancel private plan until Medicare starts

Common sense letter:

Write a letter to your spouse and children containing instructions

- · Funeral arrangements and wishes
 - · Resuscitate instructions
 - What's to be done with your body
- · Where are important records kept
 - · Organize & centralize them
- Safe deposit box? how to access
- · Financial advisor name phone
- Access codes Passwords???
 - · Lock 'em up but provide access

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Common sense letter:

- List banking accounts Credit Cards
 - Access codes Passwords???
- · List your bills and how they are paid
 - How to stop automatic payments
- List loans if any
 - · Contact name & phone
- · List brokerage and savings accounts
 - · Contact name & phone
- How to contact other investment accounts

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Common sense letter:

- · List insurance policies
- · Prepare Will, POA for health & financial
- · Have a family financial meeting
- Set up a Trust
 - Probate can be expensive 3%-5% of inheritance
 - · Probate can substantially delay closing estate
 - · Probate is public
- · Health Care Directive -
 - Search online for: "Health Care Directive your state"
- Meet with your heirs and "talk"

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Must Have Documents

- From Suzi Orman
- "Protection Portfolio" in a box \$90
 - Will
 - Revocable Trust
 - Financial Power of Attorney
 - Healthcare Durable Power of Attorney
 - http://www.suzeorman.com/index.php/bookskits/collections-and-kits/must-have-documents/
 - Heathcare directive (search online-your state)

Supplemental Income

- Annuity
 - Ties up your money
 - Not easily understood
 - Expensive
 - Payout fixed
- Reverse Mortgage
 - · Dangerous traps
 - · Heirs likely to get nothing
 - Very Expensive

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Annuities—DRAWBACKS

- Cost—Commissions and Annual Fees
 - More expensive than many mutual funds and exchangetraded funds
- Taxes also can be an issue annuities income can be taxed as regular income
 - · Capital gains or dividends likely less
- Money is locked up
 - "Surrender fees" for the first several years
 - Without a survivor benefit rider, once you die, you can't necessarily pass on the annuity to heirs

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Reverse Mortgage: Fees

- Typical fees on \$300,000 home:
 - \$15,000 up front costs
 - Insurance premium, broker fees, closing costs
 - \$15,000 long term costs
 - Insurance premiums, broker fees over life of loan
 - All added to loan value—interest paid on loan total

 (Compounded Debt)
- Total fees: (Not including interest)
 - \$30,000 over life of loan
- All fees & interest grow at compounded rate

How much do I need? Do I Have Enough?

 A link to a PBS Frontline program on saving for retirement that should be required viewing for all 20 somethings and beyond. Must viewing. http://video.pbs.org/video/2365000843

Is My Portfolio Safe

- Could a cyberthief wipe me out?
 - What happens if my broker is hacked?
 - · Ask to see their policy—in writing
- Online hacking is now commonplace
 - Are you protected? *
 - Vanguard yes
 - Fidelity yes
- * Consumer Reports March 2015
- Franklin Templeton maybe
- Oppenheimer Funds maybe
- T. Row Price -- maybe
- · Other major brokers did not respond

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Is My Portfolio Safe

- You must follow safeguards
 - Regularly review account statements
 - Promptly report errors or suspicious activity
 - Protect your user name password
 - · Keep up to date:
 - · Security on computer or other devices
 - (Firewall antispyware antivirus software)
 - Do not open suspicious attachments
 - Do not provide personal information via email
 - Got a Phone call: Call your bank/broker, etc.

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Long-term Care Insurance

- Long-term study: 23% to 38% will need it
 - 78.3% stayed less than 2 years
 - 54.2% stayed less than 11 months
 - 21.7% stayed more than 3 years
- Cost of Assisted Living Facility: \$4,500
- ~Cost of nursing home: \$8,100 per month
 - Washington (Both vary from State to State)
- 78.3% chance \$108,000 to \$194,400 = total cost per person (\$4,500 X 12 X 2)

Scott Burns – Seattle Times September 18, 2016

What to do when a loved one dies...

- Immediately send death certificate by certified mail to 3 credit reporting bureaus.
 - Experian
 - Equifax
 - TransUnion
- Request a "deceased alert" be placed on each credit report

What to do when a loved one dies...

- Mail copies of death certificate to:
 - Banks
 - Insurers
 - Financial firms

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What to do when a loved one dies...

- Report death to Social Security Admin
 - 800-772-1213
- IRS
 - 800-829-1040
- Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV)

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What to do when a loved one dies...

- In obituary do not provide deceased:
 - · Date of birth
 - · Place of birth
 - Last address
 - Workplace
 - Affiliations

What to do when a loved one dies...

 Starting one month after the death check the loved one's credit report at <u>annualcreditreport.com</u> for suspicious activity

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Recommended reading: The little book of COMMON SENSE INVESTING -- John Bogle

The end is here – or maybe not

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