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We've got **Five Small Cap Top Picks** in our hot hands.

Bruce Campbell, founder of StoneCastle Investment Management, is handily besting his peers these days.

He'll unveil these top ideas in our live show **today at 2 pm eastern time**.

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Get free advice from Bruce, an outperforming portfolio manager, whose **Purpose Canadian Equity Growth Fund** is **up more than 30%** this year.

The fund is **ranked number one** in its category.

And the **StoneCastle Cannabis Growth Fund**, which Bruce manages, is higher by **more than 28%** since inception, while Horizons cannabis ETF HMMJ is down over that time.

If you acted on Bruce's six top picks the last time he was on the show, you'd be up nicely on five of them.

To **ask questions** of Bruce, use this email address:

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CANADIAN ANALYSTS' CALLS

INITIATIONS

European Residential REIT (TSX:ERE.UN). TD Securities starts coverage with a "buy" and price target of \$5 (Canadian).

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Quorum (TSXV:QIS). Beacon Securities lifts the price target on this provider of enterprise software to auto dealerships to \$1.50 from \$1.25, which implies a **projected return of** 121%, and maintains a "buy" rating, following the company's earnings results.

Beacon has not conducted investment banking business with Quorum within the last 12 months.

We made Quorum our cover story on December 4 of last year when it was trading at \$0.64. It's up 17% since then as investors pushed it higher after the earnings report.

Shopify (TSX:SHOP;NYSE:SHOP)

Mackie Research raises the price target to \$280 from \$210, and maintains a "buy" following the company's earnings results, saying investors should look for opportunistic entry points amid market volatility given the stock's 60% performance year-to-date.

Rogers Communications (TSX:RCI.B).

Desjardins Securities upgrades to "buy" and maintains a \$79 target, saying the recent selloff in the stock has been overdone.



U.S. ANALYSTS' CALLS

ConocoPhillips (NYSE:COP) gets upgraded to "outperform" and the target stays at \$75 (U.S.) at Credit Suisse on the oil and gas company's cash flow generation and attractive dividend yield.

MasterCard (NYSE:MA). JP Morgan ups the target to \$254 from \$246 on its upside earnings potential, recurring revenue, low capital expenditure, and high free cash flow.

McDonald's (NYSE:MCD). Guggenheim hikes the target to \$215 from \$200 as it sees the fast food chain's same-store sales gaining momentum in all regions.

STOCKS THAT MAY MOVE

Curaleaf (CSE:CURA) is buying Cura Partners, the parent of Select brand, for \$1.27 billion (Canadian) in stock.

Polaris Infrastructure (TSX:PIF) is raising \$12 million in convertible debentures through a syndicate of agents, co-led by Cormark Securities and Clarus Securities.

Apple (NASDAQ:AAPL) is higher in pre-market trading as it services and accessories units offset weakness in iPhone sales. The company forecast revenue for the current quarter that is ahead of analysts estimates. Apple also announced its latest share buyback program – this time \$75 billion.

Mattel (NYSE:MAT) is up 6.5% after expanding a licensing deal with Disney.

MARKETS

The TSX and U.S. stock futures are modestly higher as the U.S. says ongoing trade talks with China have been productive.

The U.S. Federal Open Market Committee concludes its two day meeting today punctuated by a news conference by Chairman Jerome Powell. Trading volume overseas is much lighter than usual with many exchanges closed for May Day.

CURRENCIES

The Canadian dollar is sliding lower at \$0.7460 (U.S.) in the wake of a third straight monthly decline.

COMMODITIES

West Texas Intermediate is down 1% at \$63.28 a barrel as the American Petroleum Institute said crude stocks rose 6.8 million barrels in its latest weekly report. The U.S. government's weekly inventory report will be released this morning.

Gold is down 0.3% at \$1,282 an ounce.

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