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Basics

Google Finance Revisited

In the June 2006 newsletter I invited you to try Google Finance at:

<http://finance.google.com/finance>

Google Finance has some new features, but first you have to **Bite the Bullet**.

Sign In Please

If you have not done so already, set up a Google account. A Google account will give you free access to all sorts of neat things, some of which I will cover in future issues.

Go to <http://finance.google.com/finance> and in the upper right hand corner just click "sign in." You will be asked to sign in or "Create an account now."

Supply an email address and make up a password. **Note:** Do not use the password for your email address. Let's be careful out there.

Now you are in business!

You can establish multiple investment portfolios.

Google Finance incorporates news stories from over 4,500 news sources. The Google Finance charts plot market data and corresponding news stories to help determine if there is a relationship between them. This is slick and I know what you are thinking.

Future Scan

Thanks for the interesting emails.

I have been holding off writing about Google Maps. So many things are happening, I could do a monthly newsletter on Google Maps alone. I hope to write an introductory story in the near future.

Also, I am waiting for the Google Music search feature to mature before I cover this capability.

I have your other ideas on my list for future editions.

If only we had real-time data on Employee Satisfaction and true productivity linked to the stories about our ongoing union contract dispute.

Also, Google Finance has a nice autosuggest feature in the Google Finance search box along with live updates while you are researching.

Not Too Basic

Last October I wrote about the filetype: format filter, e.g., if you want to find Excel templates use template filetype:xls. Here is an alternative.

If you go to www.dinkytown.net you have access to over 250 financial calculators for taxes, savings, investments, retirement and many other situations. This is worth a look-see.

If you have any tips or suggestions feel free to send them to me at: nteumlp@gmail.com