



Daily "Idealized Trades" Report

Trading Lessons from the Intraday Frame (study)



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Major Companies Reporting Earnings

Pandora (P)

Major Economic Reports for Tomorrow...

US Home Sales (9:00am)

Quotes from Last Night's Planning

As Monday will be a HOLIDAY session, we'll pick back up Tuesday with our same TRADE THE DEPARTURE from 2,750 plan.

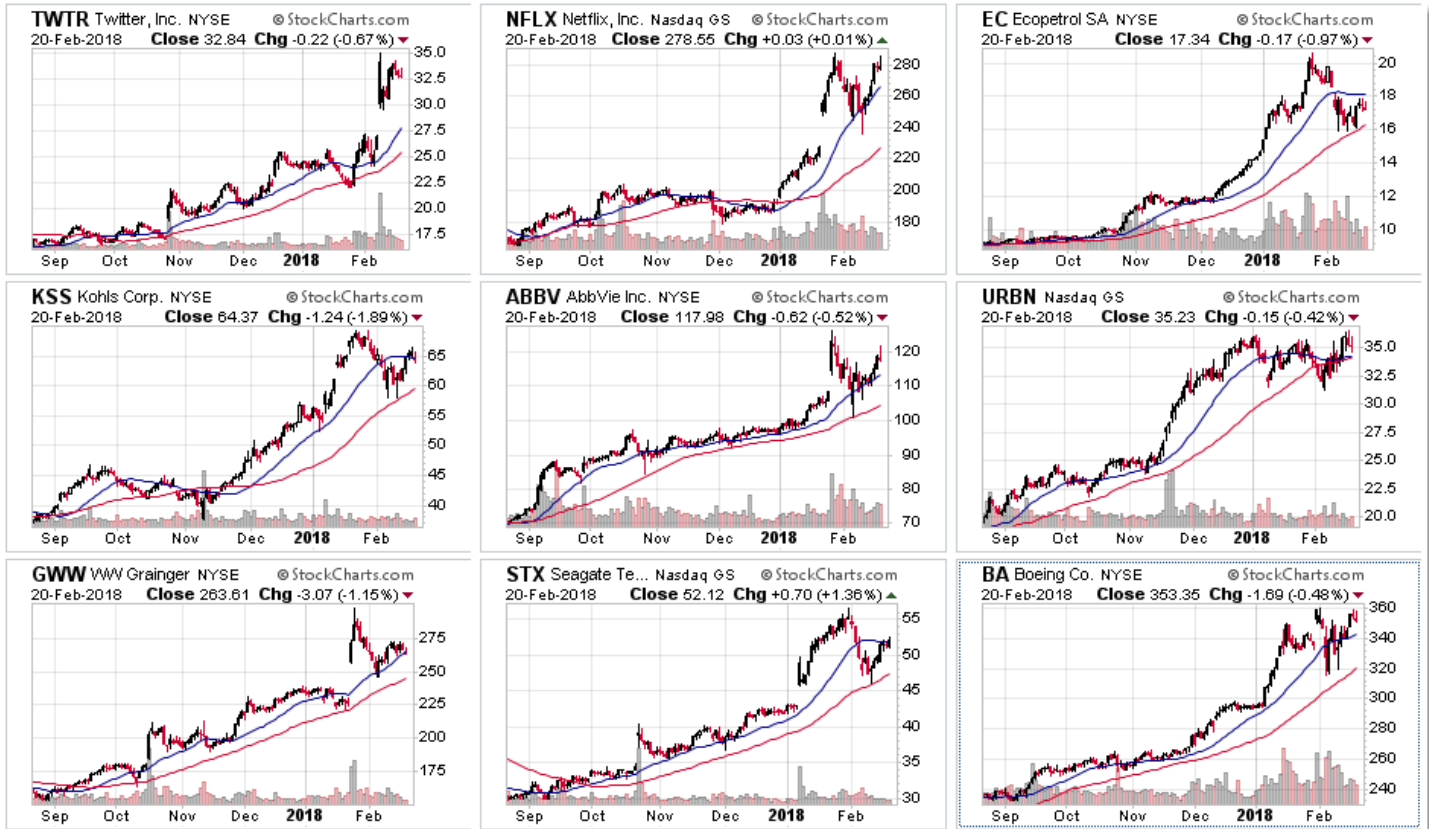
It's the 61.8% "final" Fibonacci Pivot and a simple price reference level.

Don't get fancy - price "should" trade (retrace) down from this pivot but if it does not, keep playing the ALTERNATE (bigger bullish move) thesis if it occurs above 2,750.

While most of the session was a RANGE DAY - allowing for trades in both directions - the end of the session was the eventual "Trade the Departure" from 2,750 which we expected to be a sell-swing DOWN away from our pivot.

I'm highlighting the two range day fade trades, though if you were aggressive, you had a couple more opportunities to trade bearishly (short) the afternoon sell swing and eventual move DOWN away from 2,750 as originally planned.

February 20 Power Trenders Strong Stock Scan



We're seeing the NEW top twelve relative strength leaders (via algorithm) in trending markets and the general expectation is to buy retracements or breakouts in these strongly trending names. The logic is that what is strong tends to get stronger (stocks attracting money flow tend to continue attracting additional money flow). Right now these would be the names and thus candidates above for you to do additional research and add these to your stock-scan list for possible inclusion into a swing trading portfolio on pullbacks or outright breakouts.

HOW WE USE THESE STOCKS:

I write the Power-Trending Stock Section for Swing Traders looking for candidates that complex stock scans will likely miss. The scan targets strongly trending stocks and the expectation is that price will continue trending higher, though of course additional analysis is required rather than just buying these names collectively. To participate in these stocks, we typically wait for a pullback/retracement to a rising moving average or Fibonacci/Trendline level to put on a buy/retracement where the stop is trailed under the average. These would be similar to how I describe intraday 'flag' retracements on a developing Trend Day.

FinViz "S&P 500 Performance" View



This chart and sector comparisons are useful two ways:

First, we get a broader sense of what's going on beneath the market subdivided into sectors.

Second, if you trade beyond the S&P 500 or futures/ETFs, you can pinpoint bearish/weak stocks by starting with bearish/weak sectors. The idea is outperform the market via short-selling a weak stock(s) in weak/bearish sectors on a down trend day (or vice versa).

Planning the 30-min Intraday @ES Futures Chart

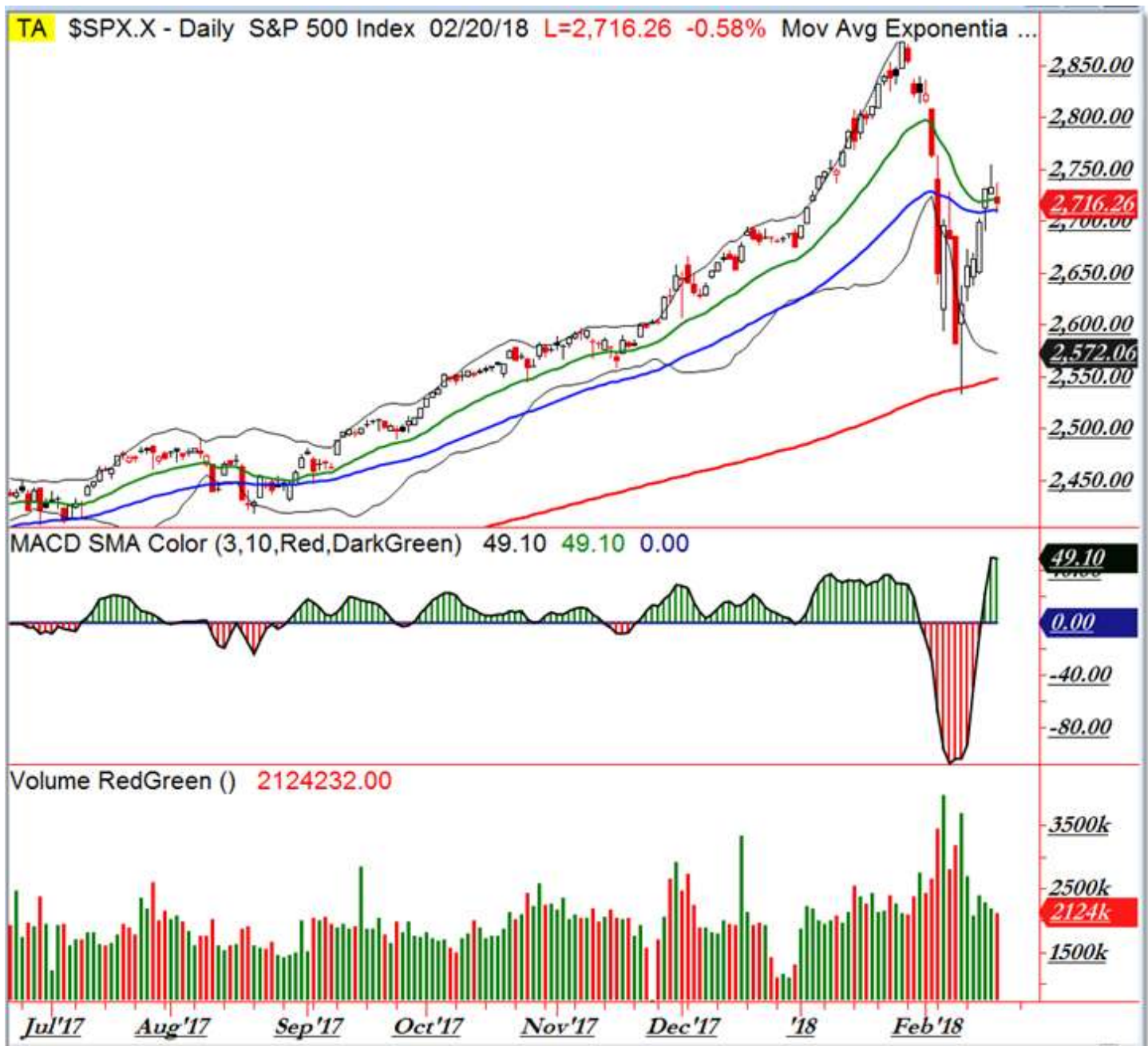


At the moment, we're seeing exactly what "should" be occurring - it's the movement DOWN away from the 2,750 level at least toward the overlap (confluence) of the 50% Fibonacci Retracement and 50 hour EMA at the current 2,715 level.

This makes our plan relatively simple for Wednesday - trade the DEPARTURE from 2,715 as price moves beneath this level toward 2,700 (and then 2,670) or else a logical if not expected bounce or short-term bullish play through today's range back toward the 2,750 level.

Again, don't get fancy. Follow your hourly chart levels above - they're working well.

Planning the Next Day (Daily S&P 500 Cash Index)



The HOURLY chart levels are effective in planning your short-term trades and intraday strategies.

The DAILY chart reminds us that price "should" retrace or at least consolidate - which is occurring - between the 2,700 and 2,750 levels.

Note the 20 and 50 day EMAs and the hourly Fibonacci Levels for your trades this week.