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“A Shot in the Arm”

As the end of December approaches, the pandemic has taken on new life with increasing cases worldwide. The two vaccines now being shipped around the globe have given the world reason for hope and optimism toward the future. The vaccines, once distributed and administered, hopefully change the trajectory of the virus and we will finally be able to get back to life as it used to be. Recently the markets have gotten a good “shot in the arm” of confidence due to this optimism. Typically a vaccine research and development process is measured in years, if not decades, yet now multiple vaccines will be available in a matter of months. Vladimir Lenin is quoted saying: “There are decades where nothing happens, and there are weeks where decades happen”. This certainly seems appropriate in this case and we are looking forward to getting our “shot in the arm” of the vaccine.

There are many stories over the past year of perseverance, triumph, adaptation and unfortunately heartbreak. The resilience and ingenuity of the human spirit is amazing. The world’s scientists and researchers are to be applauded for their work that brings us closer to ending COVID19.

In a time where finding **success** and **happiness** is elusive, it is helpful to remember that the first is attained through action, the second through attitude. Being successful means getting what you want. Being happy means wanting what you get.

Things will be different this year versus years past but all of us wish you a WONDERFUL, SUCCESSFUL and HAPPY Holiday and New Year.

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