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## DIVIDEND OPPORTUNITIES FUND AT A GLANCE

**Managers:** Dolores Bamford, CFA

**Fund Objectives:** Seeks to provide dividend income and long-term capital appreciation. The Fund's secondary objective is dividend growth.

**About the Fund:** A U.S.-focused equity fund representing our "best ideas" approach to dividend-paying stocks.

**Benchmark:** Russell Midcap Value Index

**Previous Benchmark:** MSCI ACWI (net) Index

**Morningstar Category:** US Fund Mid-Cap Blend

**Lipper Category:** Equity Income

**Net Assets:** \$67.5 million

**Inception Date:** September 29, 2017

*Prior to 10/1/2019 the Fund's name was the Eventide Global Dividend Opportunities Fund.<sup>1</sup>*

## REVIEW

The Eventide Dividend Opportunities Fund (Class N) posted a total return of 18.30% for the second quarter of 2020, compared with the Russell Midcap Value Index of 19.95% and the MSCI ACWI (net) Index of 19.22%. The Fund (Class N) posted a total return of 6.60% for the 12 months ending 6/30/2020 compared to the Russell Midcap Value Index of -11.81% and the MSCI ACWI (net) Index of 2.11%. The Fund for the 12 months ending 6/30/20 outperformed the Russell Midcap Value benchmark by 18.41%. The Fund in 2Q2020 slightly underperformed the Russell Midcap Value benchmark's recovery but remained substantially ahead of the benchmark for 1H2020 by 16.37% from a continued overweight positioning in secular growth themes and in companies well positioned in post COVID-19 economy. Strong outperformance in 2Q2020 came from the Fund's technology positions, such as semiconductors, software, and IT services, consumer companies benefiting from stay at home trends, clean energy financing, and technology infrastructure and life science real estate investment trusts. Positive performance in 2Q2020 was offset by the Funds' underweights in cyclical sectors, such as industrials, materials, and energy, which had a sharp recovery in the quarter from depressed levels reached in 1Q.

## CONTRIBUTORS

In the second quarter of 2020, the largest positive contributors to performance were Hannon Armstrong Sustainable Infra, Lowe's Cos Inc, Skyworks Solutions Inc, DR Horton Inc, and Teradyne Inc. Hannon Armstrong Sustainable Infrastructure benefitted from strong growth and returns from clean energy and energy efficiency financing projects. Lowe's continued to improve its operations and consumers have increased their spending on home improvement projects during the pandemic. Skyworks continued to benefit from significant content gains in 5G handsets with their best-in-class radio frequency solutions while investors gained confidence in an FQ3 2020 cyclical trough. D.R. Horton, deemed an essential business during COVID, benefited from strong demand for and limited supply of new, affordable homes outside urban centers. Teradyne benefitted from the ramp of 5G handsets with increased semiconductor content and complexity driving demand for testing equipment.

### Top Five Contributors<sup>2</sup>

Company	Ticker	Sector	Average Weight	Contribution to Return	Total Return <sup>3</sup>
Hannon Armstrong Sustainable Infra	HASI	Financials	3.95%	1.51%	42.10%
Lowe's Cos Inc	LOW	Consumer Discret.	2.85%	1.41%	57.96%
Skyworks Solutions Inc	SWKS	Technology	2.97%	1.21%	43.59%
DR Horton Inc	DHI	Consumer Discret.	2.74%	1.19%	63.66%
Teradyne Inc	TER	Technology	1.91%	0.89%	56.25%

## DETRACTORS

In the second quarter of 2020, the largest negative detractors to performance were Equity LifeStyle Properties Inc, Steris PLC, TCF Financial Corp, ITT Inc, and Xylem. Equity Lifestyle Properties experienced a slowdown in its transient and seasonal RV businesses when shelter-in-place orders went into effect in March and April. Steris underperformed due to a decline in medical procedures which impacted demand for its sterilization products and services. TCF was down along with most banks due to COVID-induced economic uncertainty and net interest margin pressure from lower interest rates. ITT shares declined due to concerns about a slow recovery in its auto and industrial businesses. Xylem was hurt by weakness in its industrial and commercial end-markets.

### Top Five Detractors<sup>2</sup>

Company	Ticker	Sector	Average Weight	Contribution to Return	Total Return <sup>3</sup>
Equity LifeStyle Properties Inc	ELS	Financials	0.87%	-0.04%	-7.69%
Steris PLC	STE	Healthcare	0.85%	-0.08%	-3.59%
TCF Financial Corp	TCF	Financials	0.51%	-0.09%	-3.00%
ITT Inc	ITT	Consumer Disc	0.46%	-0.09%	-6.00%
Xylem	XYL	Industrials	0.65%	-0.13%	-10.62%

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MACRO COMMENTARY AND OUTLOOK

U.S. stock markets posted a sharp recovery in 2Q2020 from depressed levels in 1Q driven by multiple positive developments in response to the spread of COVID-19 and its negative effects on life, health, society, economic activity and employment. The positive developments included US government delivering significant fiscal stimulus to families and businesses and the Federal Reserve acting swiftly to support the financial markets. State and local efforts to curb the spread of the virus also started to have positive results in lowering the pace of infections and death rates from the virus. Many states, consequently, across the country started reopening for business starting in April through June. Furthermore, the market responded positively to news regarding promising initial results for new vaccines, treatments, and therapies for COVID-19, hopefully effective in the next 12 months. The trajectory of continued economic improvement is promising for the rest of the year but not without risks of setbacks from new waves of outbreaks. We remain hopeful that the US and the world will find ways to overcome COVID-19. Even in these challenging times, for Eventide Dividend Opportunities Fund, we continue to see many opportunities for investing in companies that we believe achieve attractive long-term capital appreciation, income for our clients, and positive impact on the world and wellbeing. We remain focused on high quality companies creating value for others and trading at a discount to their long-term intrinsic value. We believe that particularly during these challenging times businesses, which focus on serving others and human flourishing, will be positioned well for the long-term and value creation.

Trailing Returns<sup>4</sup>

Eventide Dividend Opportunities Fund	YTD	1-year	Since Inception <sup>5</sup>
Class N	-1.72%	6.60%	4.96%
Class A without load	-1.75%	6.55%	4.87%
Class A with 5.75% load <sup>6</sup>	-7.40%	0.44%	2.64%
Class C	-2.03%	5.78%	4.16%
Class I	-1.63%	6.79%	5.17%
<i>Benchmark</i>			
Russell Midcap Value Index <sup>1</sup>	-18.09%	-11.81%	-1.36%
<i>Previous Benchmark</i>			
MSCI ACWI (net) Index <sup>1</sup>	-6.25%	2.11%	4.77%

**Performance is historical and does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate with changing market conditions so that when redeemed, shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the data quoted. Investors cannot directly invest in an index, and unmanaged index returns do not reflect any fees, expenses, or sales charges. The volatility of an index may be materially different than that of the Fund, and investors should not expect the Fund to achieve the same results as a listed index. Performance data current to the most recent month-end may be obtained by calling 1-877-771-EVEN (3836).**

Eventide Dividend Opportunities Fund expenses: Class A, Gross Expenses 2.05%, Net Expenses 1.20%; Class C, Gross Expenses 2.80%, Net Expenses 1.95%; Class I, Gross Expenses 1.80%, Net Expenses 0.95%; Class N, Gross Expenses 2.00%, Net Expenses 1.15%. The adviser has contractually agreed to waive fees and/or reimburse expenses of the Fund through 10/31/2020. The agreement may only be terminated by the Fund's Board of Trustees on 60 days' written notice.

1. Prior to 10/1/2019 the Fund's Name was the Eventide Global Dividend Opportunities Fund. On 11/1/2019 the Fund's primary benchmark to compare its performance was changed from the MSCI ACWI (net) Index to the Russell Midcap Value Index because the Fund's Adviser believes it is more reflective of the Fund's portfolio. The Russell Midcap Value Index measures the performance of the U.S. equity mid-cap value segment. The Fund's previous benchmark, the MSCI All Country World Index is a free float adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed and emerging markets and consists of 46 country indices comprising 23 developed and 23 emerging market country indices.

2. Source: Bloomberg PORT Attribution Report. Allocation percentages are subject to change at any time, and should not be considered investment advice.

3. The total return percentage listed is impacted by the Fund's transactions and transacted price levels of the holding during the quarter.

4. The returns shown do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or on the redemption of fund shares. Because of ongoing market volatility, fund performance may be subject to substantial short-term changes.

5. Performance figures for periods greater than 1 year are annualized. Annualized since inception figures assume an inception date of 9/29/2017.

6. In the case of investments at or above the \$1 million breakpoint (where you do not pay an initial sales charge), a 1.00% contingent deferred sales charge ("CDSC") may be assessed on shares redeemed within eighteen months of purchase. The CDSC for these Class A shares is based on the NAV at the time of purchase. The holding period for the CDSC begins on the day you buy your shares. Some intermediaries may waive or discount the CDSC under certain circumstances.

The opinions expressed herein are those of the Fund's portfolio management team as of 6/30/2020 and are subject to change. There is no guarantee that such views are correct or that the outlook opinions will come to pass. Specific companies mentioned are for performance attribution informational purposes only and should not be construed as buy or sell advice. Reliance upon the views expressed herein is at the sole discretion of the reader.

**Mutual funds involve risk including the possible loss of principal. Past performance does not guarantee future results.** The Fund's ethical values screening criteria could cause it to under-perform similar funds that do not have such screening criteria. The Fund can have risk related to option investing. Companies in the Utilities sector are subject to interest rate risk and cash flow risk. Companies in the technology industries have different risks including but not limited to products becoming obsolete, and entrance of competing products. Companies in the Industrial Sector carry various risks including, but not limited to, risk related to debt loads, intense competition, and sensitivity to economic cycles. There are unique risks associated with convertible securities, emerging markets, foreign securities, MLPs, preferred stocks, REITs, small cap stocks, securities, and yieldcos that are covered in the Fund's prospectus and SAI.

**Investors should consider a fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses carefully before investing or sending money. This and other important information can be found in the prospectus, which can be obtained at [www.eventidefunds.com](http://www.eventidefunds.com) or by calling 1-877-771-EVEN (3836). Please read the prospectus carefully before investing. Eventide Mutual Funds are distributed by Northern Lights Distributors, LLC, Member FINRA/SIPC, which is not affiliated with Eventide Asset Management, LLC.**

