

Animal Spirits Episode 58: The Sellers Are in Control

On this week's Animal Spirits with Michael & Ben we discuss:

- Michael's two appearances on CNBC.
- The couple who retired in their 30s with \$1 million.
- Are the FIRE people offering unrealistic expectations?
- Can your savings really last 50+ years using the 4% rule?
- When FIRE goes wrong.
- How much money does the average retiree spend each year?
- A steak dinner with a side of an annuity pitch.
- Where is the Vanguard of annuities?
- What if they made an annuity for FIRE people?
- Judge Judy's ridiculous salary.
- Why is it considered a badge of honor to work long hours in the finance industry?
- When tankers collide and much more.

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Stories mentioned:

- [The couple who retired early with \\$1 million](#)
- [How to retire on a fixed chunk of money](#)
- [When life gets in the way of retiring early](#)
- [What an average retirement costs](#)
- [We went to a steak dinner for an annuity pitch](#)
- [World's highest paid TV hosts](#)

Books mentioned:

- [Normal Accidents by Charles Perrow](#)
- [Young Money by Kevin Roose](#)
- [Deep Survival by Laurence Gonzales](#)
- [Only Yesterday by Frederick Lewis Allen](#)

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