Fairway
CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

GLOBAL PREFERRED SECURITIES TRUST

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Investment Objective

The Trust's investment objectives are to provide holders of the units with a stable stream of tax efficient monthly distributions and enhance the total return with capital appreciation.

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Monthly Commentary for the Period Ending January 31, 2005

For the month of January, the Global Preferred Securities Trust did well relative to most of the market, as preferred securities continued to be a favored asset class. In fact, preferreds have outperformed Treasuries as the latters' yield spreads have tightened. Performance continues to be boosted by a supply/demand imbalance created by both a dearth of new issuances, and companies continuing to redeem preferreds. Utility preferreds led performance, helped by the supply shortage as well as by investors feeling good about the group. Convertible utility preferreds also did well as their utility common stock components were boosted higher by equity investors. The performance of high yield preferreds – a small part of our portfolio – was enhanced by narrowing Treasury spreads. The only area of any weakness this month was in the auto sector, as investors remained concerned over Ford's and GM's long-term financial outlook. Both firms stated they would scale back auto production this year.

Economic reports released during January were mixed. On the positive side, December holiday retail sales were the highest in five years, and increased 8.7% over 2003. Housing starts also had positive numbers in December, rising 10.9%. Industrial production was also up, beating analyst predictions. The dollar saw its strongest month since March 2001, surging 4.1% against the euro.

Other economic news was less optimistic. The trade deficit was reported at $60.3 billion for the month of November – a record high. Economic growth slowed in the fourth quarter, rising at an annualized rate of 3.1%. For the year, however, GDP growth was ahead at 4.4%, its best showing in five years. The unemployment rate was unchanged in December at 5.4%, posting only 157,000 new jobs. Core inflation in 2004 was double its 2003 level, at 2.2%. Additionally, the markets continue to be concerned about future interest rate increases.

The year 2005 began with the worst initial week for the stock market since 1991. Both the Dow and the S&P 500 opened the year on a down note amidst concerns over rising interest rates, inflation, the weak dollar, and high oil prices. However, over half of the companies in the S&P 500 reported earnings in January, and the majority of those were positive, with 65% of companies beating their earnings estimates.

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Big name mergers were a leading story in the markets this month. In consumer goods, Procter & Gamble agreed to acquire Gillette in a stock swap worth approximately $57 billion. Another headline making merger involved SBC and AT&T, both telecommunications giants. These merger announcements inspired a staid late month upsurge in the markets.

Although the S&P 500 was down in January, there were a few bright spots – energy, consumer staples, and utilities all saw positive gains over the month. The biggest detractors from performance were information technology and telecommunication services. Over the month of January, value stocks outperformed growth stocks, and large stocks outperformed small.

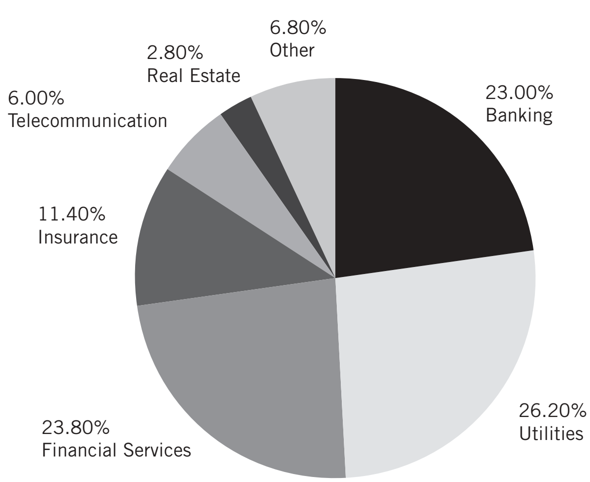
Top 10 Holdings

as of January 31, 2005

	% Of Mkt Value
Nexen Inc PRF	2.80%
HSBC Finance Corp PRF	2.40%
Telephone & Data Systems Inc PRF	2.30%
Duke Realty Corp PRF	2.10%
UBS Preferred Funding TR	2.10%
Public Service Enterprise Group PRF	2.00%
General Electric Cap Corp PRF	2.00%
US Cellular PRF	2.00%
ING Group NV PRF	1.90%
FPC Capital I PRF	1.90%

Portfolio Details

as of January 31, 2005



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