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The U.S. equity market closed on a mixed note on Thursday, October 17, 2013; with the S&P 500 and the NASDAQ Composite posting gains, while the Dow Jones Industrial Average ended slightly lower. Shares in the Packaging and Containers industry ended on a higher note, even as the broader market fluctuated between gains and losses. Graphic Packaging Holding Company (NYSE:

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), Ball Corporation (NYSE:

[BLL](#)

), Packaging Corporation of America (NYSE:

[PKG](#)

), and Bemis Company Inc. (NYSE:

[BMS](#)

), were amongst the major movers. AAAResearchReport

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Graphic Packaging Holding Co.'s stock advanced 1.98% on Thursday, extending the gains from

the previous trading session. The company's shares ended the day at an intra-day high of \$8.76 after fluctuating between \$8.54 and \$8.76 during the trading session. A total of 1.50 million shares were traded, which is below the daily average volume of 2.24 million. The company's shares have gained 2.82% in the previous three months, underperforming the S&P 500 which has gained 3.11% during the same period. Further, Graphic Packaging Holding Co.'s stock is trading near its 52-week high of \$8.90 and also above its 50-day and 200-day moving averages of \$8.53 and \$7.84, respectively. A free technical analysis on GPK available by signing up at:

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On Thursday, Ball Corp.'s shares edged higher to end the day at \$46.03, which is 1.79% higher than the previous day's closing price of \$45.22. The company's shares fluctuated between \$45.06 and \$46.07 during the trading session. A total of 1.27 million shares were traded, which is above the daily average volume of 0.90 million. Ball Corp.'s shares have advanced 3.53% in the previous three months, outperforming the S&P 500 which has gained 3.11% during the same period. Moreover, the company's stock is trading above its 50-day and 200-day moving averages of \$45.14 and \$45.10, respectively. Register today and access free research on BLL at:

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Packaging Corp. of America's stock surged 4.14% on Thursday, extending the gains from the previous trading session. The company's shares closed the day at \$60.92, after oscillating between \$58.61 and \$61.00 during the trading session. A total of 1.58 million shares were traded, which is above the daily average volume of 0.92 million. The company's shares have gained 4.10% in the last three

trading sessions and 17.83% in the previous three months, compared to a gain of 1.35% and 3.11% in the S&P 500 during the respective periods. Furthermore, Packaging Corp. of America's stock is trading near its 52-week high of

\$61.32

and also above its 50-day and 200-day moving averages of

\$55.88

and

\$48.25

, respectively. The free report on PKG can be downloaded by signing up now at:

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Shares in Bemis Co. Inc. gained 1.43% on Thursday, even as the broader market fluctuated between gains and losses. The company's shares vacillated between \$38.45 and \$39.15 before finishing the day at

\$39.10

. A total of 0.70 million shares were traded, which is above the daily average volume of 0.60 million. Bemis Co. Inc.'s stock has gained 1.35% in the previous three trading sessions, at par with the gain in the S&P 500 during the same period. Additionally, the company's shares are trading above their 200-day moving average of

\$39.05

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