

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: October 15, 2025

SUBJECT: Mary Bychowski

We regret to inform you of the passing of Mary Bychowski on July 27, 2025. Ms. Bychowski was a CME Member from 1985- 2025.

Obituary: [Mary Bychowski obituary](#)

Memorandum

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: October 15, 2025

SUBJECT: Joseph Ament

We regret to inform you of the passing of Joseph Ament on April 5, 2025. Mr. Ament was a CME Member from 1973- 2025.

Obituary: [Joseph Ament Obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: October 15, 2025

SUBJECT: David Lyons

We regret to inform you of the passing of David Lyons on March 10, 2025. Mr. Lyons was a CME Member from 1986- 2008.

Obituary: [David Lyons obituary](#)

Memorandum

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: September 24, 2025

SUBJECT: John P. McHone

We regret to inform you of the passing of John P. McHone on September 11, 2025. Mr. McHone was a CBOT Member from 1980- 2002 and a CME member from 1974 to 2021

Obituary: [John P. McHone obituary](#)

Memorandum

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: September 24, 2025

SUBJECT: Donald L. Minucciani

We regret to inform you of the passing of Donald L. Minucciani on August 8, 2025. Mr. Minucciani was a CME member from 1958 to present

Obituary: [Donald Minucciani obituary](#)

Memorandum

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: June 18, 2025

SUBJECT: William E. Fritz

We regret to inform you of the passing of William E. Fritz on MAY 15, 2025. Mr. Fritz was a CBOT Member from 1973-present.

Obituary: [William E. Fritz obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: June 4, 2025

SUBJECT: Timothy N. Jakobs

We regret to inform you of the passing of Timothy Jakobs on September 6, 2024. Mr. Jakobs was a CME Member from 1984-2024.

Obituary: [Timothy N. Jakobs obituary](#)

Memorandum

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: June 2, 2025

SUBJECT: William Barlas

We regret to inform you of the passing of William Barlas. on May 16, 2025. Mr. Barlas was a CME Member from 1985-2013.

Obituary: [William Barlas obituary](#)

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: March 28, 2025

SUBJECT: Frederick William Pfeiffer, Jr

We regret to inform you of the passing of Frederick William Pfeiffer, Jr. on March 4, 2025. Mr. Pfeiffer was a CME Member from 1975-2008.

Obituary: [Frederick W. Pfeiffer, Jr. Obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: February 24, 2025

SUBJECT: Walter F Werner

We regret to inform you of the passing of Walter G. Werner on February 10, 2025. Mr. Werner was a CME Member from 1970-1988.

Obituary: [Walter G. Werner Obituary](#)

Memorandum

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: February 21, 2025

SUBJECT: Robert Venit

We regret to inform you of the passing of Robert Venit on January 31, 2025. Mr. Venit was a CME Member from 1973-present.

Services were previously held.

Obituary: [Robert Venit obituary](#)

Memorandum

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: February 14, 2025

SUBJECT: Robert J. Krewer

It is with great sadness that we share that Robert J. Krewer passed away on February 12, 2025. Mr. Krewer served as the Membership Director for the CME Group for more than 20 years from 2002-2023.

Bob was a well-respected member of the trading community as well as a valued colleague. He dedicated 19 years to the National Futures Association in addition to his time with the CME Group.

Visitation will be Sunday, February 16, 2025, from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM at Glueckert Funeral Home, 1520 N. Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights.

The Funeral Mass will be Monday, February 17, 2025, at 12:00 PM at Our Lady of the Wayside, 434 W. Park Street, Arlington Heights.

Obituary: [Robert J. Krewer obituary](#)

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: February 14, 2025

SUBJECT: James J Kaulentis

We regret to inform you of the passing of James J. Kaulentis on February 4, 2025. Mr. Kaulentis was a CME Member from 1972-present.

Obituary: [James J. Kaulentis obituary](#)

Memorandum

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: February 11, 2025

SUBJECT: Lance R. Goldberg

We regret to inform you of the passing of Lance R. Goldberg on December 12, 2024. Mr. Goldberg was a CBOT Member from 2003-Present.

Obituary: [Lance R. Goldberg obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: February 4, 2025

SUBJECT: Michael P. Dowd

We regret to inform you of the passing of Michael P. Dowd on January 29, 2025. Mr. Dowd was a CME Member from 1987-present and a CBOT member from 2001-present.

Funeral services will be held on February 8 at 10:00 AM at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1775 Grove Street, Glenview, IL

Obituary: [Michael P. Dowd obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: January 27, 2025

SUBJECT: Jeffrey S. Worley

We regret to inform you of the passing of Jeffery S. Worley on December 23, 2024. Mr. Worley was a CME Member from 1990-present.

Obituary: [Jeffrey S. Worley death notice](#)

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: September 24, 2025

SUBJECT: Donald L. Minucciani

We regret to inform you of the passing of Donald L. Minucciani on August 8, 2025. Mr. Minucciani was a CME member from 1958 to present

Obituary: [Donald Minucciani obituary](#)

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: January 23, 2025

SUBJECT: William T. Boyle

We regret to inform you of the passing of William T. Boyle on December 23, 2024. Mr. Boyle was a CME Member from 1979-1992.

Obituary: [William T. Boyle obituary](#)

Memorandum

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: January 23, 2025

SUBJECT: James G. Bungert

We regret to inform you of the passing of James G. Bungert on January 17, 2025. Mr. Bungert was a CME Member from 1989-2011.

Obituary: [James Bungert obituary](#)

Memorandum

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: January 10, 2025

SUBJECT: Terry S. Hospodar

We regret to inform you of the passing of Terry Hospodar on September 30, 2024. Mr. Hospodar was a CME Member from 1976-present.

Obituary: [Terry S Hospodar death notice](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: January 9, 2025

SUBJECT: Ernest Nissen

We regret to inform you of the passing of Ernest Nissen on December 29, 2024. Mr. Nissen was a CME Member from 1982-present.

Obituary: [Ernest Nissen](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: December 5, 2024

SUBJECT: William Sei

We regret to inform you of the passing of William Sei on November 17, 2024. Mr. Sei was a CME Member from 1978-1981.

Obituary: [William Sei](#)

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: September 24, 2024

SUBJECT: Donald R. O'Neil

We regret to inform you of the passing of Donald R. O'Neil on August 30, 2024. Mr. O'Neil was a CME Member from 1983- present.

Funeral services were previously held.

Obituary: [Donald R. O'Neil Obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: September 17, 2024

SUBJECT: David C. Williams

We regret to inform you of the passing of David C. Williams on September 1, 2024. Mr. Williams was a CBOT Member from 1981- present.

Funeral services were previously held.

Obituary: [David C. Williams Obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: September 3, 2024

SUBJECT: Henry S. Shatkin

We regret to inform you of the passing of Henry S. Shatkin on July 23, 2024. Mr. Shatkin was a CBOT Member from 1953- present. Henry was a member of the CBOT Board of Directors from 1971-1972.

Funeral services were previously held.

Obituary: [Henry S. Shatkin Obituary](#)

Memorandum

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: July 19, 2024

SUBJECT: Mortin A, Levy

We regret to inform you of the passing of Mortin A. Levy on June 28, 2024. Mr. Levy was a CME Member from 1966-1994 and a CBOT member from 1984-1989.

Obituary: [Mortin A. Levy Obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: July 2, 2024

SUBJECT: Joel J. Fetchenhier

We regret to inform you of the passing of Joel J. Fetchenhier on June 6, 2024. Mr. Fechenhier was a CBOT Member from 1976-present.

Obituary: [Joel J. Fetchenhier obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: May 28, 2024

SUBJECT: Hollis J. Griffin

We regret to inform you of the passing of Hollis J. Griffin on May 13, 2024. Mr. Griffin was a CBOT Member from 1965-present.

Services will be held on Monday, June 17, 2024, 1:00 P.M. at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 N. State Street, Chicago. IL 60654

Obituary: [Hollis J. Griffin obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: May 14, 2024

SUBJECT: Steven R. Tucker

We regret to inform you of the passing of Steve Tucker on May 10, 2024. Mr. Tucker was a CME Member from 1976-1987.

Services will be held Wednesday, May 15, 2024, graveside at Memorial Park (Gan M'Nucha section), 9900 Gross Point Road, Skokie, IL. Shiva following service.

Obituary: [Steve Tucker obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: April 23, 2024

SUBJECT: William L. Allen

We regret to inform you of the passing of William L. Allen on April 8, 2024. Mr. Allen was a CBOT Member from 1968-Present.

Obituary: [William L. Allen obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: April 8, 2024

SUBJECT: Carl P. Adducci

We regret to inform you of the passing of Carl P. Adducci on December 1, 2023. Mr. Adducci was a CBOT Member from 1974-Present.

Obituary: [Carl P. Adducci obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: April 4, 2024

SUBJECT: Joel Jacobson

We regret to inform you of the passing of Joel Jacobson on March 15, 2024. Mr. Jacobson was a CBOT Member from 1965--2004.

Obituary: [Joel Jacobson Obituary](#)

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TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: April 2, 2024

SUBJECT: Sidney Hamper

We regret to inform you of the passing of Sidney Hamper on August 25, 2023. Mr. Hamper was a CBOT Member from 1955--2023.

Obituary: [Sidney Hamper Obituary](#)

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: March 20, 2024

SUBJECT: Sara Barach

We regret to inform you of the passing of Sara Barach on March 1, 2024. Ms. Barach was a CME Member from 1985- 2024.

Obituary: [Sara Barach Obituary](#)

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: March 4, 2024

SUBJECT: Alan Freeman

We regret to inform you of the passing of Alan Freeman on February 24, 2024. Mr. Freeman was a CME Member from 1963- 2020, CBOT member from 1964- 2009.

Obituary: [Alan Freeman Obituary](#)

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: January 31, 2024

SUBJECT: Jerry Koch

We regret to inform you of the passing of Jerry Koch on January 23, 2024. Mr. Koch was a CME Member until 1965.

Obituary: [Jack Koch](#)

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FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: January 23, 2024

SUBJECT: J. Peter Ritten

We regret to inform you of the passing of J. Peter Ritten on January 15, 2024. Mr. Ritten was a CME Member from 1965-1970 and a CBOT member from 1971- 2011

Obituary: <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/twincities/name/j-ritten-obituary?id=54161688>

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TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: January 17, 2024

SUBJECT: Catherine M. Denten

We regret to inform you of the passing of Catherine M. Denten on January 8, 2024. Ms. Denten was a CME Member from 1973-present

Visitation will be held on Saturday, January 20, 2024, at 9:00 AM until the time of the funeral mass at 10:00 AM, Saint Norbert Catholic Church 1809 Walters Ave, Northbrook, IL .

Obituary: <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/chicagotribune/name/catherine-denten-obituary?id=54091916>

Memorandum

TO: MEMBERS

FROM: Kelley Blakewood
Executive Director, Global Client Development Sales Management

DATE: January 4, 2024

SUBJECT: Jack Burris

We regret to inform you of the passing of Jack Burris on December 6, 2023. Mr. Burris was a CME Member from 1974-1991

Obituary: <https://www.desmoinesregister.com/obituaries/piow0653993>