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Chairman's Corner

As we fully move into fall and the weather changes, I find myself looking at the properties under my care and thinking about routine maintenance. There's a lot that happens in my work, I'm on the road constantly, often at short notice, to rush out and put solutions in place. It's difficult to keep a regular schedule, and that can wear on a person. So as the leaves fall, I find myself with more structure in my work. There's a schedule, there's a checklist, the work is consistent, same as it was last year. Time to perform the tasks that keep equipment up and running, facilities warm and dry, emergency supplies maintained in good working order. If you're like me, and chaos can be something of a drag, I urge you all to find something in your work or even your life that you can do consistently. Take the time to develop a routine, even a temporary one, to help refocus your efforts. It can leave you better prepared to deal with the chaos, and maybe even let you enjoy it a little.

Craig Pilgram Chairman

SBE Chapter 80

Due to the National EAS Test, our November meeting will be Tuesday, November 10th instead of the 17th.

SBE Chapter 80 is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: SBE Chapter 80 November Zoom Meeting
Time: Nov 10, 2026 12:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
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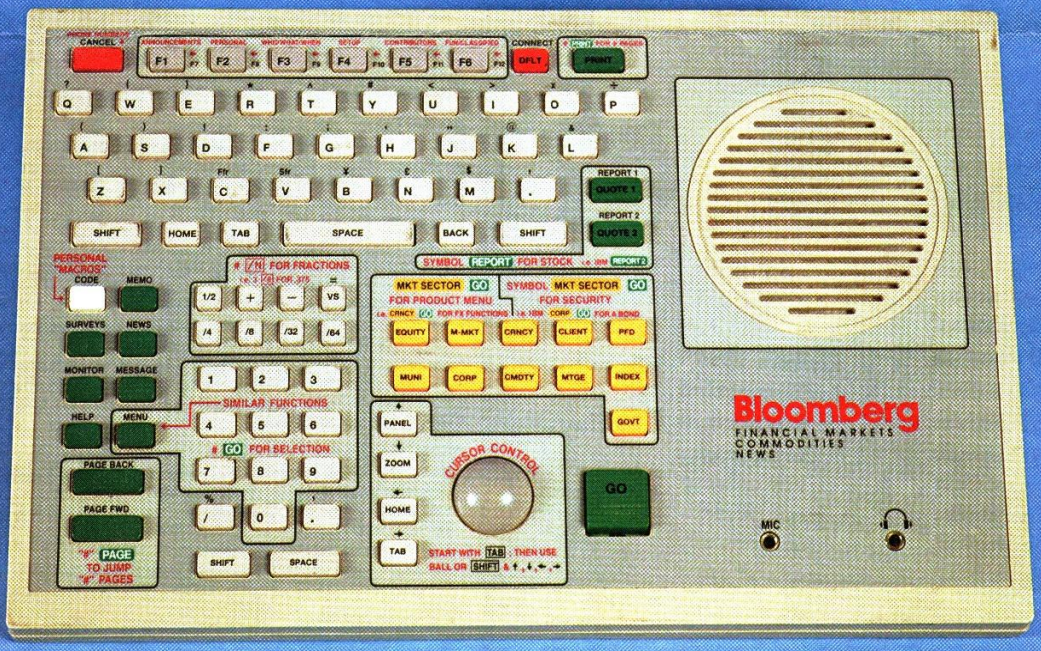
Thanks to Steve Brown and IEEE for sharing this bit of electronics history from the IEEE Spectrum

HISTORY IN AN OBJECT

BY ALLISON MARSH

Past Forward

This early 1990s keyboard for the Bloomberg Terminal featured a trackball, speaker, and headphone and microphone ports.



The Keyboard That Moved Markets

Introduced in 1982, the Bloomberg Terminal was designed to give Wall Street traders and analysts quick access to a wide range of financial data along with the ability to model market scenarios, produce yield curves, make investment calculations, and even place a trade. The function keys on the computer terminal's keyboard were color coded and labeled according to their usage. Keyboard shortcuts let the user easily call up information on government securities, corporate debt, or currency markets. Throughout the finance industry, mastering the Bloomberg Terminal and learning how to digest the vast amount of information displayed on screen became a rite of passage. ■

FOR MORE ON THE BLOOMBERG TERMINAL, see spectrum.ieee.org/pastforward-oct2026

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Upcoming Webinars by SBE

HDR Systems for Television – Part 2: Dolby Vision and HDR for Post-Produced Content
November 12, 2026 | 2 p.m. ET

This session takes a deep dive into how 'post produced' content is being created and delivered in HDR – glass to glass, with a specific focus on Dolby Vision (the premium format and 'hero' deliverable for all the major studios and streamers). Whether it's a blockbuster feature film for cinema, an episodic drama or reality/doc for an OTT streamer or an indie project for social platforms, there are some key learning opportunities we will discuss and share to deliver the best HDR and SDR finished content with the least amount of friction and or problem

From AI Experimentation to Reliable Broadcast Engineering Workflows
December 17, 2026 | 2 p.m. ET

Broadcast engineers are increasingly experimenting with AI for documentation, troubleshooting, planning, and other technical workflows, but reliable adoption requires more than access to the tools. This webinar shows how engineers and technical leaders can use AI productively while preserving engineering judgment, reliability, and professional standards.

FCC Sets National EAS Test for November 17, 2026

The FCC released a public notice announcing a National EAS Test will be held on November 17, 2026. With that, there are deadlines for stations to file Forms One, Two and Three relating to that test. FEMA will transmit the nationwide test of the EAS at 2:20 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on November 17, 2026, using the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS). If conditions on that date require the rescheduling of the test, it will be conducted on December 3, 2026

More details at: https://sbe.org/national-eas-test-2026/

Upcoming Certification Exams

Exam Dates	Location	Application Deadline
February 5-15, 2027	Local Chapters	January 4, 2027
June 4-14, 2027	Local Chapters	April 12, 202

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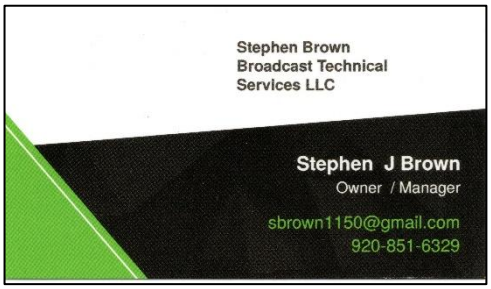
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