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Insights, events, and opportunities for anti-fraud professionals across New York City and beyond.

Letter from our President



As I write this letter, we are finalizing arrangements for NYCFE Fall Fraud Conference 2025. We hope as many members of the New York Chapter as possible can attend. This year has been quite eventful for the Chapter, with two webinars, one in-person seminar, and one in-person all-day conference so far, providing already 13 hours of CPE credit. In addition to working on the upcoming conference, we're planning on having a webinar during Fraud Week, formally International Fraud Awareness Week, in November.

In June, the Chapter was awarded **Chapter Community Service and Outreach Award** by the ACFE. I would like to thank Chapter Chairwoman Dora Gomez and Newsletter Editor Sherry Dopson-Rivera for preparing and submitting the nomination presentation on behalf of the Chapter.

As the 2024-2025 term is about to conclude for Officers and Directors of the Chapter, an announcement will go out soon to let you know about the process for nominating and self-nominating for the Board of Directors and officer positions. Serving on the Board is a great way to share your passion for anti-fraud awareness and to contribute to the CFE community in the New York area.

Even if you can't serve in a formal position, the Chapter is always looking for members to help out. So, please reach out to members of the Board with ideas for speakers and topics, affordable venues, and anything else that you think would help your fellow CFEs, ACFE Associates, Students, and Chapter Affiliates.

Thank you very much for your continued support.

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President – NYCFE, Inc.

New York Chapter of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners

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🎯 Our Mission

The New York Chapter (#14) of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE) is dedicated to promoting integrity and transparency through:

• High-quality Continuing Professional Education (CPE)
• Strong networking opportunities
• Raising community awareness about fraud prevention, risk management, cybercrime, investigations, governance, data analytics, and ethics.

🗓️ NYCFE Fraud Fall Conference 2025

📍 October 24, 2025, | New York City

Join us for a dynamic day of learning, connection, and inspiration. Earn CPE credits while exploring the latest in fraud prevention, risk management, and emerging cyber threats.

All sessions are NASBA accredited.

🎤 Key Highlights
• Sharing cutting-edge insights on fraud trends.
• Hear from industry leaders.
• Networking Sessions: Connect with peers and exchange best practices.

👉 View Event Details (nycfe.org)

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2025 NYCFE Conferences and Events (21 CPEs)

Date	Event	CPE Credits
10/24/2025	**NYCFE Oct 24th Fraud Fall Conference 2025**	8 CPEs
2/05/2025	**Disinformation - Systemic Information Pollution Risks**	2 CPEs
3/19/2025	**The Future of AI-powered compliance investigations and surveillance monitoring**	2 CPEs
4/25/2025	**NYCFE Spring Fraud Conference 2025**	8 CPEs with 2 Ethics CPEs
8/07/2025	**Hiring Trends in the Fraud Job Market and Career Guidance for Financial Crimes Compliance Professional**	1 CPE













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The New York Chapter was honored to receive the Community Service and Outreach award at this year's Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE) Global Conference!

This recognition celebrates our chapter's commitment to making a meaningful impact through service and engagement. Congratulations to everyone who contributed to this achievement!







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Member Opportunities & Resources

Empower your career and community through participation and professional growth:

🧰 **Cyber Insurance & Fraud Toolkit** — Strengthen your fraud preparedness.

🎙️ **Speak or Volunteer** — Share your expertise at upcoming events.

🎓 **Ritchie-Jennings Memorial Scholarship** — Supporting the next generation of fraud examiners. The Ritchie-Jennings Memorial Scholarship provides an opportunity for students to advance their education and anti-fraud career paths. Additionally, it supports their anti-fraud interests by providing a full year of ACFE membership. Award amounts are $10,000, $7,500, $5,000 and $2,000 and are paid directly to the recipient's university or college. The scholarship application period for the **2026-2027** academic year is **open.** Eligible students can access and complete the **online application here**

💌 **Join Our Mailing List** — Stay updated on trainings and events.

Fraud Week is celebrating their 25th anniversary International Fraud Awareness Week

👉 Explore Resources (nycfe.org)

*All classes are **NASBA** accredited

We would like to thank you for your Partnership!

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New York Alliance Against Insurance Fraud of New York

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A Tribute to Jim Ratley



Jim Ratley's impact on the global fraud examination community and on our own New York Chapter is immeasurable. As a founding member of the ACFE and a true pioneer in fraud education, Jim's leadership helped transform a small, passionate group of fraud fighters, into a worldwide movement.

Anthony Luizzo, CFE, President Emeritus and founding member, shared this reflection:

"I recall, it was on August 1, 1989, when ten newly minted CFEs met in a Manhattan skyscraper to formally sign papers to begin the New York Chapter ACFE. At that time, the ACFE was in its infancy, and our Chapter became the fourteenth (14) Chapter of the newly formed organization. Today the ACFE has over 95,000 members and 201 Chapters worldwide.

Looking back, in the early months of the new decade of the 90s, our Chapter quickly signed up new members and we were on our way to becoming a powerful New York City fraud fighting organization. In the summer of 1990, Jim and Joe Wells (Chairman of the ACFE) conducted their first training session in conjunction with our Chapter at Long Island University in July of 1990. The session was well attended, and our Chapter began its growth spiral. Over the years both Jim and Joe were always there to help us navigate the troubled waters associated with getting a new organization off and running. On behalf of the current board of directors and membership of the NY Chapter, we were saddened to hear that Jim has passed. We wish his family well."

Rest in peace, Jim. Your vision continues to inspire us all.

Thank You

Thank you for being part of the NYCFE community. Share this newsletter with colleagues who would enjoy staying informed and engaged.