

'In the house': Investment guru Buffett joins Twitter

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"Warren is in the house," Buffett said on the microblog service, sparking a fury of re-[tweets](#) of the debut words of the savvy investor dubbed the "Oracle of Omaha."

There was no news, no sage advice on how to manage a stocks portfolio, or announcements of the latest big-money moves of his investment house Berkshire Hathaway.

But perhaps in anticipation, followers to the new account multiplied at a pace faster than 1,000 a minute.

Buffett, the world's fourth richest person with \$53.5 billion, according to Forbes, got a quick reply from a fellow super-tycoon—and cardplayer—long present on [Twitter](#): Microsoft co-founder [Bill Gates](#).

"Welcome to Twitter @WarrenBuffett. First ever Twitter bridge tourney starts now. I bid 3 Hearts," said Gates.

Buffett made his first tweet during an interview with Fortune at the University of Nebraska Omaha.

"Who says you can't teach an old dog new tricks?" he joked.

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