Between the lines

As worldwide financial pressures increase, many newspapers are in a state of collapse. Paid subscribers are defecting in droves to free news sources on the Web. Ad revenue continues to decline as the global recession deepens. As their old business model crumbles, publishers search for alternative solutions to survive.

What’s replacing our newspapers?

Talking points

1. Sure there’s MySpace and Facebook for social networking, Flicker for photos, Craigslist for shopping and selling and Google for just about everything. And Twitter for . . . something. short. But as Mike Keefe points out in his cartoon, the venerable, old-fashioned newspapers are still good for something. What do newspapers do better than all these New Media tools?


3. When you look for news, where do you turn? What should newspapers offer to get you to start reading them, or get you to visit their websites?