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Climate researchers confirm a noticeable decline in interest. Hans Joachim Schellnhuber, director of the respected Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research, recalls that his telephone used to ring off the hook whenever extreme weather conditions set in. Now hardly anyone calls, he says.

http://www.spiegel.de/international/world/0,1518,737451,00.html

On all fronts, aquaculture is searching for new frontiers.

And the indications are that the industry of the future will farm different species, use novel integrated production methods, and explore new physical environments, from city centres to the open ocean.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-12008572



Are we green yet?

Paonia, CO

http://blog.al.com/spotnews/2010/12/new_coal_mining_permits_surge.html

There are more than 20 million deer romping around the United States these days, up from just 500,000 in 1900.

http://www.npr.org/blogs/health/201 0/12/30/132484549/deer-get-revengewith-a-pox-on-2-hunters



Just what we need, instead of Big Brother is Watching, it'll be Big Retail is Seducing. And the price? They'll track your every shopping desire, tailoring coupons and come-ons to shoppers 24/7. You'll be riding past McDonalds and your iPhone will beep - "Leroy, it's been awhile since you had a Big Mac. Pull in at the next block and we'll knock \$1 off that Super Sized Soft Drink and toss in some free fries!"

From NYT:

But what if manufacturers could make coupon offers on the spot, as you stood in the aisle, within sight of the promoted product? Your cellphone would identify your shopping predilections, allowing the manufacturer to withhold the offer if you were likely to buy the product anyway. The offer could go exclusively to those who just needed a little nudge.

The possibility is not a distant one. Point Inside, a mobile technology company in Bellevue, Wash., has been testing still-incomplete technology for determining where shoppers are standing in grocery stores and big-box retailers. The goal is to determine accurate locations to within one meter.

http://www.nytimes.com/2010/12/26/business/26digi.html?hpw

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http://www.nytimes.com/2010/12/11/science/earth/11fossil.html?_r=1&hp





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our pal BILL BENGE http://au.news.yahoo.com/thewest/a/-/news-home/8622282/toilet-app-meets-filmgoers-needs/

New app helps filmgoers time toilet dash

RunPee takes the guesswork out of answering the call of nature without missing a crucial part of the movie.

http://au.news.yahoo.com/thewest/a/-/offbeat/8645352/trapped-german-burglars-call-police-for-help/

Trapped German burglars call police for help Reuters January 13, 2011, 10:46 pm

BERLIN (Reuters Life!) - Two would-be thieves called in their own crime to police in Germany after they could not escape from a broken-down elevator over the weekend, police said in a statement.

Unnecessary surgeries cost at least \$150 billion a year, according to John Birkmeyer, director of the Center for Healthcare Outcomes & Policy at the University of Michigan.

http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2010-12-30/highest-paid-u-s-doctors-get-rich-with-fusion-surgery-debunked-by-studies.html

Flying drunk proves fatal for Romanian bird flock

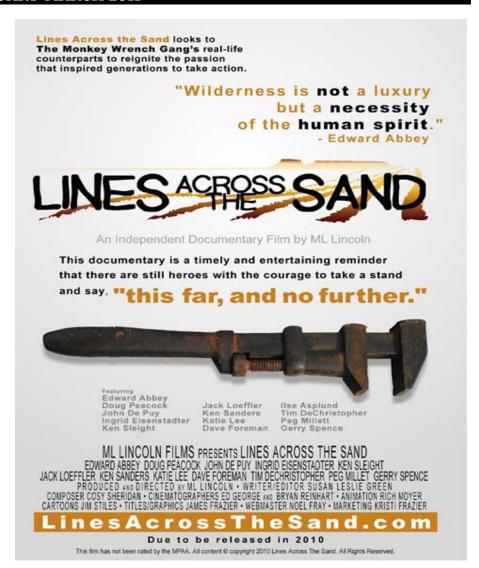
BUCHAREST (Reuters Life!) - There was nothing mysterious about the death of a flock of birds in Romania last week -- they were simply drunk, veterinarians said.

http://au.news.yahoo.com/thewest/a/-/offbeat/8637956/flying-drunk-proves-fatal-for-romanian-bird-flock/



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