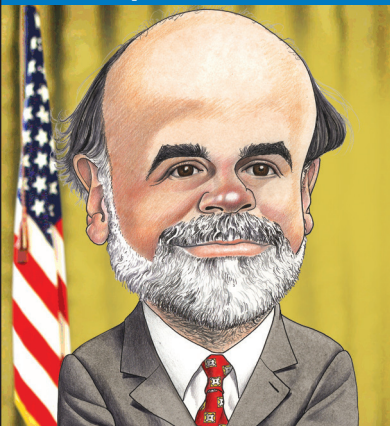


Safe pair of hands



B E N B E R N A N K E

- ▶ **Born:** Dec 13, 1953, **Augusta, Georgia**. Married with two children
- ▶ **1975-79:** Graduated *summa cum laude* from **Harvard University**. Gained Ph.D. at **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**
- ▶ **1979-85:** Taught economics at **Stanford University**
- ▶ **1985-2002:** Professor of Economics at **Princeton** – chair of department from 1996. Director of Monetary Economics Program of **National Bureau of Economic Research**, and editor of **American Economic Review**
- ▶ **Aug 2002:** Appointed to Board of Governors of **Federal Reserve**
- ▶ **Jun 2005:** Sworn in by **George W. Bush** as Chairman of **President's Council of Economic Advisers**
- ▶ **Oct 24:** Nominated to succeed **Alan Greenspan** as Chairman of Federal Reserve
- ▶ **Feb 1, 2006:** Bernanke starts four year-term as Fed chief