

**Joke's on you**

Those of you mourning the ability to covertly steal **The Washington Post's** business section for bathroom jaunts may have been further miffed if you heard the rumor that the paper's cost-cutting publisher, **Katharine Weymouth**, is also considering moving the entire Saturday edition online.

Reston-based media Web site **DCRTV.com** reported the move April 1, citing an unnamed source. Turns out the source might have been playing a prank on the 12-year-old Web site and its founder, **Dave Hughes**.

"I have since heard from several inside Post sources who say that an elimination of the Saturday print edition is unlikely," Hughes says. Ouch.

The joke didn't stop a few reporters from ferreting out the truth. Post spokeswoman **Kris Coratti** says she got a few media inquiries.

"Has there been any discussion internally? Absolutely not," Coratti says.

For his part, Hughes isn't ready to write the story off. "My analysis: The Post is thinking about it. But not for the immediate future. If the real estate market continues to be weak, and the Saturday real estate section continues to be so thin, it could happen."

... Speaking of real estate ads, we recently came across two on Craigslist (you know, the free classifieds) for homes once haunted by midcentury political figures.

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**BUSINESS SMARTS****Dream job**

Courtney Banks says "The Winds of War" got her dreaming of a job in national security. Today, she runs her own firm, Nat'l Security Associates Worldwide. **Page 36**



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# Recovery report

While the jury is out on the lasting effects of the government's stimulus package, the frenzy it has created is real. Companies are scrambling for a way in, and "consultants" want to help you out. We break down the \$787 billion American Recovery and Reinvestment Act by category and by jurisdiction, offering a resource guide on where you can go to make sure your company is on the government's radar.

**Human factor**

The federal government could add some 200,000 positions to its payroll — 50,000 of which are related to the stimulus. That is proving to be a strong lure for people outside the region in their search for employment. **Page 41**

**Energy and technology**

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Jigar Shah, who founded SunEdison LLC and grew it into one of the largest solar installers in the U.S., is stepping down. **Page 33**



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