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Erin Stiffler, 8, front, and Zachery Gillen, 7, laugh with delight as they go up and down on a ride during Tuesday's opening night of the Havre de Grace carnival. Please see Page AA1 for local July 4th events.

Happy Fourth in jail

31 court date no shows

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A Baltimore man who has 27 prior convictions and has failed to appear in court 31 times, promised a Harford County District Court judge Tuesday he would be in court next time he's supposed to be.

Judge Victor K. Butanis, however, decided to make sure and ordered Anthony Lindsay, 48, of the 2100 block of McCulloh Street in Baltimore, held on \$500,000 bail.

Lindsay was arrested on a bench warrant Monday in a case dating to 2005, in which he was charged with theft more than \$500.

During his bail hearing in District Court Tuesday afternoon, Lindsay told the judge that he was honorably discharged from the U.S. military after four years of service and has lived at the McCulloh Street address in Baltimore all his life.

Assistant State's Attorney Joel Muneses told Butanis that Lindsay was a flight risk because of his previous 31 failures to appear, including the active warrant that led him to

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Steer clear of Edgewood?

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Back-stabbing can be brutal. And despite accusations, county officials promise they aren't warning people relocating for BRAC against moving to Edgewood.

Edgewood's efforts to erase its bad reputation are a lost cause if the county isn't supporting their tries and improvements, according to one Realtor who works in the area.

Perry Moody of Edgewood has had his house on the market for a year and a half and hasn't had any bites.

He recently found out from his real estate agent, Tom Hammen of Aberdeen Long and Foster, that clients have been told to stay clear of Edgewood.

Also an Edgewood resident, Hammen said at least two clients from Fort Monmouth, N.J., have confirmed that the Harford County Office of Economic

Development advised them to seek housing outside Edgewood, especially if they have children.

"They were told that the schools there aren't good and that they should move to Bel Air if they want a good education for their children," he said.

Moody said he can't understand why the county would say that about Edgewood.

"As for the school system, I don't see how they suck," he said, noting his son has been an honor

roll student with a successful grade point average.

Hammen said it's not just the people relocating from New Jersey though, he's heard it from clients nationwide that Edgewood isn't the place to move.

"I'll pull up listings for Harford County and they'll tell me 'anywhere but Edgewood,'" he said.

But county officials are dismayed by the accusations. "I can't imagine our people

would say that," said Roxanne Lynch, county director of government and community relations. "We want everyone to spread out all across the county, especially in the Route 40 corridor."

Denise Carnaggio of the Harford County Office of Economic Development said the office offers community information to those relocating and provides tours of the county.

"Education comes up all the time," she said. Please see **EDGEWOOD, A7**

Pet shelter draws fire

Doomed cats named Funwy2die

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Is it appropriate to name a cat who is going to be euthanized Funwy2die? What about Funwy2die2? You would have to ask the employee at the Humane Society of Harford County who gave two feral cats, or wild cats, these names before their euthanization.

This incident is one of two situations at the Humane Society that resulted in an employee write-up.

"This should have never been done," Humane Society Executive Director Laura Ulrich said Wednesday, adding she doesn't know why the staff member did it.

The employee was reprimanded and written up, Ulrich said. She added the names of these cats might have been selected as a type

of coping mechanism.

The Humane Society's shelter in Fallston, which serves as Harford County's animal shelter, has been the focus of numerous complaints by former workers and volunteers for several years. The nonprofit organization's shelter also handles stray dogs and cats for Harford County Animal Control.

Ulrich, who became executive director late last year after her predecessor resigned under fire, confirmed that euthanizations have increased in 2008.

In addition to "Funwy2die1" and "Funwy2die2" being assigned to feral cats, Bonnie Rexroad, a former volunteer with the local Humane Society for the

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By the end of World War II, 18 million women comprised one third of the workforce, according to the National Park Service — and Mary Deshon of Forest Hill was one of them.

They held it together Harford 'Rosie' remembers war

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"Praise the Lord and pass the ammunition," sang the Rosie the Riveters on their way to work during World War II, according to riveter Mary Deshon, 84, of Bel Air.

The year was 1941. Pearl Harbor was in devastation and the United States had declared war on Japan. The men were off defending the country, flying fighter planes and bombers — and the women were back home building them.

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Deshon is one of the few living Rosie the Riveters who worked during World War II. She recalled the song she sang with her fellow riveters on the bus to the

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Two failing Harford schools get a federal break

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