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Couple arraigned; dogs get treated



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A Norwegian spitz mix looks out from a cage at St. Clair County Animal Control in Port Huron Township. Two puppies are being treated for parvovirus.

Seized dogs might have lethal infection

LIZ SHEPARD
TIMES HERALD

A Cottrellville Township couple relinquished their rights to dogs seized by the St. Clair County Animal Control following their arraignment Friday on animal cruelty charges.

Under the agreement to hand over the dogs, the couple requested one gray cat remain in their ownership but in custody of the shelter.

Stephanie Ignash, animal control office manager, said five of the dogs seized from Michael and Lynn Higgins are showing signs of parvovirus, which can be lethal and is highly contagious.

Two puppies at the animal control facility tested positive and were relinquished to the Humane Society of St. Clair County SNAP rescue.

Sandy Kilby, executive director of the rescue, said they are in treatment at an emergency vet clinic.

"They made it through the night, they're still in ... serious condition," she said.

Kilby said none of the dogs they originally took have shown symptoms.

Animal Control is not adopting out any dogs at this time due to the outbreak. Cats are still being adopted out of the shelter, as parvovirus is not communicable across species.

"We're working very hard and diligently to get this under control," Ig-

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Sierra Tenniswood, 14, of Port Huron, sports a pink mohawk and pets Princess as classic cars cruise by during Cruise Night Friday on Pine Grove Avenue in Fort Gratiot.

CRUISE IS A HIGH-OCTANE CELEBRATION

BOB GROSS
TIMES HERALD

Cruise Night celebrates an era when the only thing foreign on the streets of Port Huron were people from Sarnia looking for a chicken dinner on a Sunday night.

Detroit Iron — seasoned with a few offerings from Germany and Japan — was the big attraction for the people lining 24th and Pine Grove avenues Friday.

Kenneth Koveck, of Port Huron, was in the Big Boy parking lot with a bright yellow 1957 Ford Thunderbird.

"When I was 13 years old, I started driving," he said. "I've loved cars since then."

"I don't like anything new. They built them better, they were quality cars and they weren't cookie cutters."

He said he has two more T-Birds at home — a 1962 and a 1953 — but he likes driving the 1957.

"It doesn't drive, it floats," Koveck said.

He said he liked seeing so many families out enjoying the cars and the beautiful weather.

"It's a nice thing to have," he said. "Port Huron needs stuff like this."

Ron Fowler brought a 1929 Hudson Essex coupe — immaculate in two-tone Creamsicle orange and ecru — from his home in Port Lambton, Ontario. The paint job, he said, isn't original.

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A couple cruise together during Cruise Night Friday on Pine Grove Avenue in Fort Gratiot.

M-19 expected to be back open Saturday

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EMMETT - Running just outside the village limits, the gravel road Tony Owens lives on is fairly quiet.

But now it is rutted and rough and cars and trucks are fairly constant.

"You can't make a move without looking two, three times," said Owens, who lives on Keegan Road.

He's among the residents of Emmett dealing with the village being cut in half for the past week due to CN rail work. M-19 was closed at the rail crossing June 17 after a "defect" was found on the rail

line during a routine inspection.

Crews then decided to improve the approaches to the track during the closure.

Patrick Waldron, CN spokesman, said the roadway is expected to reopen Saturday morning.

Waldron said he couldn't comment on whether or not the condition of the approaches caused the track "defect."

Emmett Fire Chief Jerry Nuss said the approaches had been in poor condition for months leading up to the emergency road closure.

He's also not optimistic the roadway will be back open Saturday.

"I don't know if it's going to be open tomorrow or not because they were still working on it today," Nuss said.

He hopes it is, as Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is holding a chicken barbecue fundraiser from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday.

"A lot of people from the south might not go, and it might hurt the church," Nuss said.

The church is at 10817 Brandon Road. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$4 for children, kids 5 and younger are free.

Nuss said the emergency closure wouldn't have been necessary if the crossing had been maintained.

Northbound motorists are being de-

toured west on Burt Road, north on Keegan Road, then east on Brandon Road to get back onto M-19, a 4-mile route that will take about nine minutes.

The railroad crosses M-19, also called Main Street in the village, between Joseph Street and North Railroad Street.

Nuss said firetrucks remain stationed on either side of the crossing.

"Fortunately we haven't had too many calls and the calls we have had we've been able to respond to promptly," he said.

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