

Barrow involves suburbs

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"Coleman did a number of good things. But his time is gone," he said.

He said that executives in Wayne and Oakland counties will find Barrow less "confrontational and more logical and reasonable" to deal with.

OAKLAND COUNTY Executive Daniel T. Murphy said he did not know Barrow so was unable to comment on him personally.

But, "I believe in regional government and anybody who says they want to work together, I'm for that."

"I don't always agree with Coleman Young, that's not my job, but I work with him," Murphy said.

Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara also said he did not personally know Barrow.

"I've never met him. But I'm sure if he's successful he'll make a sincere attempt to work with the suburbs. However, I've never had great problems working with Coleman Young."

IN RESPONSE to inner city crime and a loss of confidence in Detroit police, Barrow recommends formation of a drug task force comprised of 100 of Detroit's best police officers who would be drug tested twice annually.

"Their main task would be destroying the drug network. They would be untouched by the police bureaucracy or the political bureaucracy."

Barrow said he would also submit twice annually to drug testing and would require it of all department heads.

In addition, he would make police more accountable and decentralize police services.

TO STIMULATE downtown development, Barrow said his background in business and finance would serve him well. He is a graduate of Wayne State University and has been a managing partner of an accounting firm since 1975.

Study links animal, human cruelties

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Of 152 criminals from Leavenworth and Danbury prisons who were examined in the study, those considered aggressive, prisoners repeatedly violent against others, abused animals in their youth five times more often than those who are not aggressive or violent.

Sixty percent of the participants reported at least one instance of animal cruelty during childhood and one admitted to "40 or 50 times for fun and excitement" because he "enjoyed" hurting cats.

THE STUDY CONCLUDED, "Although a single act (of animal cruelty) is not predictive of another act, a pattern of substantial animal abuse may conceivably be associated with a pattern of recurrent violence directed against people."

The study also cited nine primary reasons for animal cruelty, including displaced hostility, retaliation, sadism, control and for amusement.

Of the 5,122 complaints filed with the humane society last year, nearly one-third involved deliberate cruelty, including 293 incidents of beating and torture, 141 shootings and killings, nine burnings and six poisonings.

Of the 302 cruelty cases successfully prosecuted by the society between early 1986 and late 1988, some 25 instances involve defendants with additional criminal records.

The cases, compiled into a list entitled Correlation Between Animal and Human Abuse, begin with an incident in January 1986. Three young Detroit brothers nearly beat their mother's dog to death with a metal

baseball bat. Earlier, the three had severely beaten a 12-year-old boy with the same bat when he refused to give the brothers money.

Also included on the list is an incident that occurred in Canton in November 1987. A man was found guilty of throwing a spaniel over a 10-foot fence, allowing it to fall 23 feet into a lake. In an unrelated incident, he was convicted of "bodily harm less than murder and destruction of property."

HUMANE SOCIETY OFFICIALS

view the connection between animal and human crime seriously enough to devote a fund-raising brochure to the subject.

"Granted, every case of animal abuse doesn't lead to human abuse," the brochure reads. "The fact is, normal people don't abuse animals. Such actions are an early sign of deviant behavior. Recognized, it can be corrected. Ignored, it gets worse."

Of growing concern to society officials is the dramatic increase in recent years of animal cruelty cases involving youth, according to Sherry

Silk. Silk, a Bloomfield Township wife and mother, has for eight years headed up all cruelty investigations in the metropolitan area for the Michigan Humane Society.

"Of the complaints we handle each year, there is a trend towards more and more juveniles, kids 13- and 14-year-olds, who are doing horrible things to animals," she said.

Next, what is being done about animal cruelty and how do humane officers fit into society's protective network.

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