

87,000 tons is a lot of paper

Sorting through 87,000 pounds of newspapers, 16,000 pounds of tin and 28,000 pounds of glass - every month - is a big job. So big a job, in fact, the North Simcoe Waste Management Association may have to hire another full time employee to keep up. The figures used above

are what was actually collected in October, according to recycling manager Liz Downer. And the chairman of the NSWMA's recycling committee, Pat Armstrong, says just the sorting job may be enough to keep one person busy full-time. "We're now working

with a skeleton crew," said Armstrong. There are three employees under Downer, all of whom split time between pickups and sorting. The manpower shortage has caused some problems such as late or missed pickups. A councillor in Victoria Harbour quit recycl-

ing because of the delays. However, Armstrong said funding from the province next year will go down - not up. For 1987 the program was funded 100 per cent, but next year that will be slashed to 60 per cent. And in later years the

program will have to pay for itself through revenue from selling the used paper, tin and glass. At recent NSWMA meetings some members worried the bottom may fall out of the paper market once large cities (such as Toronto) begin their recycling programs and flood the

market. Another employee would have to be paid for entirely through these revenues. In a recent interview Armstrong said the price for used tin and glass is stable, but the paper price is not. And paper accounts for the biggest share (in weight) of recyclables collected.

In October the recycling truck made 7,730 stops. There are 18,000 households in the North Simcoe area, about 8,000 of which are in areas with weekly pick-up service. The remaining 10,000 may have weekly pick-up in the future, said Armstrong.



Student governors

The staff and students of Victoria Harbour Public School would like to introduce their new Students' Council. Front row, left to right: Treasurer Terri Anderson, President Aaron Todd, Vice-President

Steven Jones, Secretary Tracy Hancock. Second row: Becky Barnstaple, Jennifer McKay, Raymond Collins, Nancy Carriere, Laura Evans. Third row: Staff Adviser Miss L. Smelko and Vice-Principal Mr. J. Turner.



Critic's corner by John Stoddart

Fatal Attraction

Fatal Attraction, now playing at the PEN I Theatre, is a top-notch psychological thriller.

Michael Douglas plays an upwardly mobile New York lawyer who finds himself at loose ends one weekend when his family travels to the country.

Attracted by a co-worker (Glenn Close) he decides to indulge in what he thinks will be a one-night stand.

His sex partner has other ideas though as she launches herself on a campaign of harassment and terror towards him which escalates as the movie progresses.

In 1971, Clint Eastwood made his directorial debut in a movie classic called Play Misty for Me. In this film Eastwood is stalked by a psychotic groupie played by Jessica Walters.

Fatal Attraction is an 80s version of that story.

Surprisingly, Misty did not do well at the box office, where as attraction is pulling them in.

A possible answer to this is Eastwood's film was made in the free love era of the early 70s, where as Attraction comes to us at a time of widespread uneasiness due to the AIDS scare.

Couple this fact with Douglas' meeting of a genuine psychotic and the results are terrifying. Attraction's director pulls us into the story with innovative use of camera angles to show rooms and hallways as closed in claustrophobic areas to

add to the ever increasing nervous tension of the film. Congratulations to actress Glenn Close for having the courage to accept a

role as demanding as this. For years she has been mere window dressing in assorted movies. In real life, her role in

this film has brought a torrent of hate mail to the studio directed at her. A must-see film. Rating: ***1/2

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