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Members of the Terrace Bay Police Force will be conducting periodic checks to ensure that all motorists have buckled up. It is a fact that the wearing of seat belts have reduced the number of motorists killed in accidents as well as cutting down on the number of injuries. As a result medical and insurance costs have been reduced.

1978 BUDGETS ANNOUNCED FOR ONTARIO'S HOSPITALS

Ontario hospital budgets totalling \$1.939 billion in fiscal 1978/79 for an increase of \$87 million over the 1977/78 budget total of \$1,852 billion, were announced by Health Minister Dennis Timbrell.

Still to be determined are budgets for seven hospitals, and facilities such as cancer clinics and crippled Children's treatment centres. With these additional allotments, Ontario hospital budgets will total \$2.134 billion in fiscal 1978/79, as announced by Mr. Timbrell February 7, 1978. As in the previous year, this amount also provides funds for clinical teaching.

"Most hospitals were advised of budget allocations for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 1978," said Mr. Timbrell. "As indicated on February 7 of this year, increases in funds for operating budgets will continue to be limited in the next two years. Hospitals have already been informed that a similar rate of increase will be allocated in the 1979/80 fiscal year so that hospitals can plan now for management of their resources.

"In recent months I have emphasized all sectors of the health system must share responsibility in keeping health care costs from rising too steeply," continued Mr. Timbrell. "Only by careful management of health care expenditures, and proper use of the system, can we continue to enjoy one of the finest health care systems in the world."

Terrace Bay - The McCausland Hospital - 12 months net Ministry Liability 1977/78 - \$553,827.; Net Ministry Liability 1978/79 - \$588,004.; Dollar Increase 1978/79 compared to 1977/78 (Prorated) - \$34,177.

NURSING UPDATE COURSES IN TERRACE BAY

The Confederation College of Applied Arts and Technology has tentatively agreed to offer an 80-hour Nursing Refresher Course in Terrace Bay to all those Nurses who are interested to update their Nursing knowledge and is the same course as offered in Nipigon and Geraldton this past Fall and Winter. Usually the first day of class, the teacher discusses with the students what they want from the course and modifies it accordingly. As well as this, the College usually offers a 40-hour Obstetric Course making a total of 120 hours.

A proposed schedule is now available with me which may or may not be feasible. Our intent is twofold. The Nursing teacher has other commitments and this fits her schedule and we are trying to finish the 80 hours before the end of May. With some evening and day classes if a student has to miss a class, the teacher will provide notes and she will be available for tutorial assistance.

A good segment of Nurses in Terrace Bay, Schreiber and Marathon are also interested in the 40-hour Obstetric Course.

This could be offered in June or held off until September depending on scheduling there.

Tuition costs are \$1.00 per contact hour per student and there must be a minimum of 12 students. However, 15 students are preferred to commence this program as she will be short of breaking even in any case as travel costs are high.

This program has been offered with great success to Nurses in both Geraldton and Nipigon in the last year and I am looking forward to hold a similar successful program for Nurses in Terrace Bay, Schreiber and Marathon. The Nursing teacher will be in my office on Tuesday morning, March 28th and I would be too happy to arrange a meeting with any of the prospective students at this time.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me. I have copies of the outline of the program and proposed time schedule.

Paul D. Mathew,
Hospital Administrator.

SCHREIBER SOCIAL:

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bottomley are attending the Fur Traders' Convention in North Bay. En route they will visit Norman's sister, Mrs. Dolly Guild and other relations in Sault Ste Marie and try some skidoing in that area.

NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY

COCHRANE FEDERAL

CONSTITUENCY ASSOCIATION

THE FEDERAL NOMINATION

TO NOMINATE THE CANDIDATE
IN THE COMING FEDERAL ELECTION

SATURDAY, MARCH 11th

2:00 p.m.

Schreiber Town Hall