Community briefs

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Basement apt. legislation

Housing Minister Evelyn Gigantes has announced legislation to allow homeowners to create an apartment in their house. The proposed legislation also allows homeowners to work with municipalities to create garden suites or 'granny flats' in their yards.

"Granny flats and apartments in houses respond to the very real need for more affordable housing in Ontario," Gigantes is quoted as saying.

"Granny flats are an innovative and compassionate way for people to care for elderly relatives. They promote inde-

pendence in a supportive and familiar place."

Apartments in houses could help first-time home buyers and cash-strapped homeowners pay the bills. They also provide much-needed jobs for the construction and renovation industry.

"There are approximately 1,000 of these apartments across Ontario right now," said Gigantes. "This legislation is also designed to make sure tenants in these apartments are living in safe, healthy homes."

The draft legislation would make the creation of an apartment in a house a "permitted use" under local zoning and other by-laws.

The apartment would be a private, self-contained accommodation with its own kitchen and bathroom and it could be created anywhere in the house: the basement, the attic or on any floor.

The legislation includes draft regulations that set reasonable health and safety standards to protect tenants. It also makes it easier for municipalities to conduct inspections to ensure these standards are being met.

McCausland turns surplus

According to an auditor's report issued by Strawson/ Fukushima/Enstrom Chartered

Accountants of Thunder Bay, the McCausland Hospital ran a \$103,680 surplus in fiscal 1992, which ended March 31.

That's up from a \$74,184 surplus in fiscal 1991.

The hospital's revenues increased by \$354,099 over last year, totaling \$4,125,812. Expenses increased by \$324,603, and totalled \$4,022,132.

Donations to the hospital took a big jump in 1992, increasing to a total of \$72,482, compared with \$18,882 the year before.

The Hospital's Annual General Meeting was held June 24 at Schreiber Public School.

Rates referred to committee

Schreiber Council has decided to ask the Disabled Persons Transit Operating Committee to take another look at rates for the disabled transit bus.

The Committee had recommended that the rates to and from Rossport be reduced. Its recommendations were initially rejected by Schreiber Council but passed by Terrace Bay Council.

The matter went before Schreiber Councillors again last month, and they decided to refer it back to the Committee, hoping to hear from them again by the end of October.



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for the area running from
Gravel River in the west to
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"We've always had a semitiered response system," he says, "but now when the initial call comes in, all services react automatically."

Dingwell says he pushed to have the system implemented because there were a few incidents when accident victims had to wait an unacceptably long time for medical attention.

"It came to a head here where we were having some problems, and this is the solution we've come up with," he says. "A lot of the bigger communities also have tiered response—Toronto, for example, has it.

"It just makes things a little bit easier for all of us," he says.

Community

•Alcoholics Anonymous meets each Monday and Thursday evenings at 8 pm at the Community Church in Terrace Bay.

•The Catholic Women's League meets every second Monday of the month in the basement of St. Martin Church at 8 pm.

•The Chimo Club holds its regular meeting every third Friday of the month.

•The Disability Action Group meets the third Thursday of each month at 1:30 pm at Birchwood.

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Bonnie & Murray & big brother Darryl would like to announce the safe arrival of their baby girls on May 28, 1992.

Kelly Lynn

arrived at 4:42 a.m., weighing 5 lbs, 7 oz and Kasey Erin

Very proud parents are Bonnie & Murray Scott of Terrace Bay. Proud grandparents are Aurele & Shirley Major of Schreiber and Bruce & Dolores Scott of St. Catharines. Proud great grandmother is Ann Etches also of Schreiber. Special thanks to

Dr. Fernandes, Dr. Desa and the nurses of 5 West PAGH for the excellent care given to mom & babies. Also, a special thank you to Dr. Joy Albuquerque for her excellent care.

