



THIS YEAR'S STAFF

The 1976-1977 Excalibur staff, from upper left to right. If you can still match the name with the face by the end, you are doing well. Rich Spiegelman, Walter Rigobon, Warren Clements, Ed Fox, Kim Llewellyn, Agnes Kruchio, Gord Graham, Mars (in arms), James Brennan, Susan Grant, Anna Vaitiekunas, Belinda Silberman, Keith Nickson and Graham Beattie. Now back to the left hand side: David Chodikoff, Evan Leibovitch, Debbie Pekilis, Bob Pomerantz, Dave Fuller (on stick), Maxine Kopel, Paul Kellogg, Ara Rose Parker, Alice Klein, Denise Beattie, Mary Marrone, Donna Mobbs, Ted Mumford, Michael Hollett, Ian Kellogg and Bryon Johnson. Back over to the left hand corner: Ronen Grunberg, Ian Mulgrew (on phone), Olga Graham and Elaine Kennedy.

Also on the staff this year but not available for the picture were: Chris Legree, Doug Tindal, Pat Takeda, Bonnie Bowerman, Brackinreed, Brenda Weeks, Ross Freake, Jim Omura, Dave McLeod, Gary Kinsman, Ken Stewart, Sue Kaiser, Tim Uksulainen, Andrew Guido, Steve Monnot, Rick Wolf, Libby St. Jean, Jane Chisholm, Roberto Easto, Ian Wasserman, Don Belanger, Mary Lochhead, David Goodman, Dudley Carrothers, Eric Starkman, Danny Lam, Amelia Amaro, Jenny Johnson, Marian Kerr, Marie Dorey, Shelley Rabinovitch, David Lang, Holly Nightingale, Cathy Sherk, Ilan Salamon, Roman Shokewych, Kim Ecklin, Lindsay Cobb, Gay Walsh, Lauren Turier, Pamela Courtot and Hugh Westrup, and David Saltmarsh, fourth from the right in the back row of the photo.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

All letters should be addressed to the Editor, c/o Excalibur, room 111 Central Square. They must be double-spaced, typed and limited to 250 words. Excalibur reserves the right to edit for length and grammar. Name and address must be included for legal purposes but the name will be withheld upon request. Deadline: Mon. 4 p.m.

Hitch your hiker to a car

Your issue of March 24 contained a sensationalist attack against hitchhikers. That attack was unfair so I urge you to print this letter to help heal the damage caused to those of us who partake in this practice. This spring marks the end of two years of hitchhiking for me, and now I hope to express some particular good points about hitchhikers.

I have been able to stimulate a good conversation with the driver, perhaps give some information about my major or just keep him/her awake after a hard day's work. I am a downtown hitchhiker and I have learned various ways of arriving at a destination which are quicker than the normal routes. These tips, which I pick up, I pass on to others. This is another way in which I can benefit those unselfish people who give me a ride.

In the last year I have received quite a few rides from a lot of "regulars", who are now good friends of mine. I am sure more of us can extend a hand to one another, and help make York a friendlier place.

Joseph Kozakewich

To clear this up once and for all, let us point out that our Front page picture two weeks ago was not intended as a slur against the noble art of hitch-hiking.

According to the Fire department the Fire in the car pictured there was indeed caused by a hitchhiker's cigarette. Which, as we said, makes that hitchhiker careless.

But one bad apple does not a crop ruin.

editor's note

Nice words

Please accept my congratulations and appreciation for the quality and coverage of your reporting of the University sports program.

Although at times, as I previously mentioned, we would have liked even more exposure throughout Excalibur, I do want you to know that I appreciate your first class work very much. I particularly appreciate the efforts of Dave Fuller and his staff.

Frank Cosentino
Chairman and Director,
Department of Physical Education

New student BOG member has no illusions about achievements

Now that the exciting race for the Board of Governors position is over I would like to comment on the results of the election and what it means for me as a Governor of York University.

During the race I spoke to over one thousand people who attended the all candidates meetings. We distributed around five thousand copies of the United Left Slate newspaper, of which over 25 per cent was devoted to BOG and the program I was running on. Therefore I consider my winning as a conscious endorsement of that program and the means of achieving it that I put forward.

The most important results of the election were: one, the absence of any candidate who supported the BOG as it stands; two, the opposition, however mild, of all three candidates, of completely secret meetings and the over-representation of business; and last, though not least, the election of myself, the only candidate who published his program for all to read and stood unequivocally for an end to secret meetings and an end to business domination of BOG.

The BOG will have a hard time ignoring the publically stated opposition of all candidates to completely secret meetings and the domination of itself by businessmen. Furthermore, the students chose the person who stood unconditionally for public meetings, and who said that the York

community should govern itself, not be governed by businessmen.

I hope Jay Bell, the other student governor, will consider thoroughly the results of this election. The candidate he supported ran third, and I think it was a rejection of his mild proposals for reforming the BOG. Last year, Jay Bell (along with Shelley Rabinovitch, the departing student governor) persuaded BOG to publish short, summaries of their meetings in the self censored official York Gazette. He should now understand that the students want open meetings and not second hand information. He maintains that the Governors are reasonable men, well, let them be both reasonable and democratic, let them open up the meetings, and let neither Jay nor myself rest until they do so.

I have no illusions as to what I, alone, can achieve on the BOG. I will be one voice in thirty two, with many opposing what I say. It is only when the BOG realizes that I am the representative of thousands that they will feel the need to change themselves. Twenty six of them were chosen by an electorate of thirty one, while I was chosen by an electorate of approximately fifteen thousand. Which of us can best claim to represent the York community or even the public, for that matter?

Harvey Pinder
Governor-elect
Board of Governors, York University