

We print all your letters

Unlike the *Star*, *Globe* and *Sun*, *Excalibur* has a policy of trying to print every letter we receive. After one term of this year, our record is as follows: we have printed every letter which met our requested maximum of 250 words.

Of those which exceeded 250 words, only one failed to make it into print. It was 1200 words long, as the fifth letter we had

received in a debate on pacifism, and was the second long letter this person had submitted on the same debate, covering roughly the same ground.

And we have been swamped with letters, more letters than *Excalibur* has ever received. It's often difficult to find space to print them, but we do our best, because we think the open public forum in the "letters and

comments" section, is one of the most important parts of our newspaper.

This issue is no exception. There are three pages devoted to "letters and comment", and we still have half a dozen letters for which there simply is no room.

So, if you're looking for that letter you sent us, cheer up, you'll see it in January.



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Some inconsiderate but skilled person managed to unlock, start and drive away in my car, without the aid of my keys, from parking lot A right here at York. After my utter dismay and disbelief I realised that many important items were in the glove box.

My wallet contained my drivers license, social insurance card, birth certificate, OHIP form, pictures of my lovely wife, and a Chargex card. All these (excluding the picture), left me nameless, numberless and helpless.

After the proper authorities were notified and forms compiled, my long inconvenience began. Getting home, 45 miles away was the first step. The Chargex company was next. Here, every question, right down to what I ate for breakfast, was asked.

The main note, was, please use

your proper account number for identification, not Your Name. With a small fee of \$2, a temporary drivers license was issued to me, after some delay in identifying my number.

To receive a new SIN number, my birth certificate must be produced. Therefore, a new birth certificate was needed first and for \$3 your number will be dug out of the archives and a new card could be compiled.

My lovely insurance company, will see me to the tune of \$10 a day for car rental, and only to 30 days. How generous! After 30 days my case will be reviewed, and we will try and settle for a small sum on your behalf. My behalf! Somehow I think I'm losing. 30 days eh... that will be Dec. 25. Do you think they will be working?

My parking sticker, allowing cheap parking, here at York, also departed with the car. Today I received a parking ticket, on my newly borrowed car. Without the proper receipt and number, how can I prove I paid for the parking.

As you can see, a wallet left in a car, locked or not, is not a wise move.

If anyone knows of the villain, please ask for the return of my cards. The car, well... it depends on the amount of damage done.

The walk between Bowmanville and York, is a long one. Any information will aid in the reduction of newly formed educational costs.

Thanks, Rick Morrison, 623-9518

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