

# THE Picketpost

March 10

YOUR DAILY LINK TO LIFE ON THE LINES!

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## From the Lines

Despite rain, wet feet and soaked signs; spirits were not dampened. There was great enthusiasm and a real sense of solidarity! Keep smiling, you're doing a great job.

The lines are visible and we are getting the message out.

Thank you to Lou Orr (a retired colleague) for walking the line and feeding the troops!

The Ontario Secondary School Teacher's Federation also gets a collective "tip of the hat" for the delicious chili that was sent over to warm yesterday's members.



Two picketers at the busy YMCA entrance at the Welland campus share a laugh.

## Community Support

We have had wonderful support from our Chef program, they baked dozens and dozens of delicious cookies to keep the troops fed. A big thank you to the Hilton Garden Inn for allowing them the use of their kitchen in this culinary show of support.



A friendly visitor to the Rice Road picket.

## Media Watch

The communications team is working hard to get the message out and has had the strike covered by The Standard, The Tribune, Niagara News, CH TV News, and will continue to "press" ahead (sorry – couldn't resist the pun) to bring the strike to the community's attention.

## Pay Cheques

The pay period for full time faculty will be for 6 days, up to and including March 6th; and will be deposited today. The strike pay will be given out at next Friday's BBQ, details to follow in next week's Picket Post.

## Parking

We urge all members to stop in at headquarters in the Welland Soccer Club and partake in the goodies and coffee. Please park along the front strip of



A YMCA picketer standing up for quality.

parking, under the balconies and around the back (no parking in the centre of the lot).

## Weather Advise

Monday March 13

The long range forecast calls for rain. High of 11C

## Dear Ms. Pick-It:

I'm wet, tired, and broke, I know that the weather forecast calls for rain; but I'm in a fog: What's going on with this strike?

Signed,  
Dazed and Confused  
in Welland

Dear Dazed and Confused:

As the first week draws to an end, not only is there increasing pressure on both parties to return to the bargaining table; pressure will likely continue to build on the Premier to get more involved.

Ms Pick-It advises you to check the websites for up-dates.

## Stay Connected!

Visit these websites for up-to-date news releases and local announcements:

[www.opseu.org](http://www.opseu.org) and  
[opseu242.741.com](http://opseu242.741.com)

Strike HQ phone:  
905.735.2519