In fact, oxygen and carbon dioxide are very small, so they can easily pass through a face mask.

One protester who said her name was Sue said she just wanted people to know "all we're doing is a peaceful demonstration trying to alert people to the facts." She wouldn't give her last name "because I'm worried about the government."

On more than one occasion, when the *Advocate* asked what primarily prompted individuals to go out and protest, the response was "Where do we even start?" Two protestors there were Kerstin Kelly and Malcolm Suddons. Upon being interviewed, Kelly gave the *Advocate* copies of the new Druthers newspaper. Druthers is a Canadian news outlet that published its first paper in Dec. 2020. Every front page in the monthly paper has been a story arguing against any and all lockdowns and mandates.

"So what did they tell you?" said Suddons. "We're locking down but things will be good when you get a vaccine. So they rushed a vaccine through and what happened? That vaccine didn't work did it? So they say you need to take another. That didn't work so now you need to take a booster."



Like many

viruses, COVID has been able to mutate into different variants that have required further vaccinations.

Suddons said, "Now it's not the unvaccinated who are infected. If you dig really deep you'll see that more people vaccinated are sick than unvaccinated." Dan also said "Now they say people that are double vaccinated are in the same boat as the unvaccinated."

However, the latest data from the Ontario Science table shows that unvaccinated people are almost twice as likely to contract COVID, almost five times more likely to end up in hospital and over 11 times more likely to end up in the ICU than people vaccinated with at least two doses. For example there are 240.2 per million unvaccinated in the ICU compared to 21.0 per million people with at least two doses in the ICU.

None of the protesters mentioned the fact that 90 per cent of Ontarians aged 12 and over have