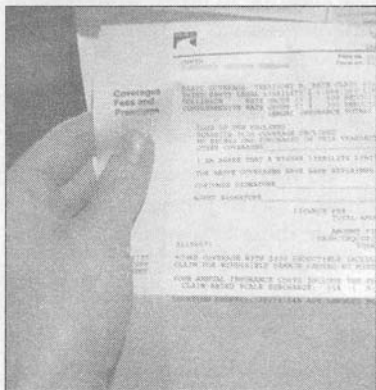


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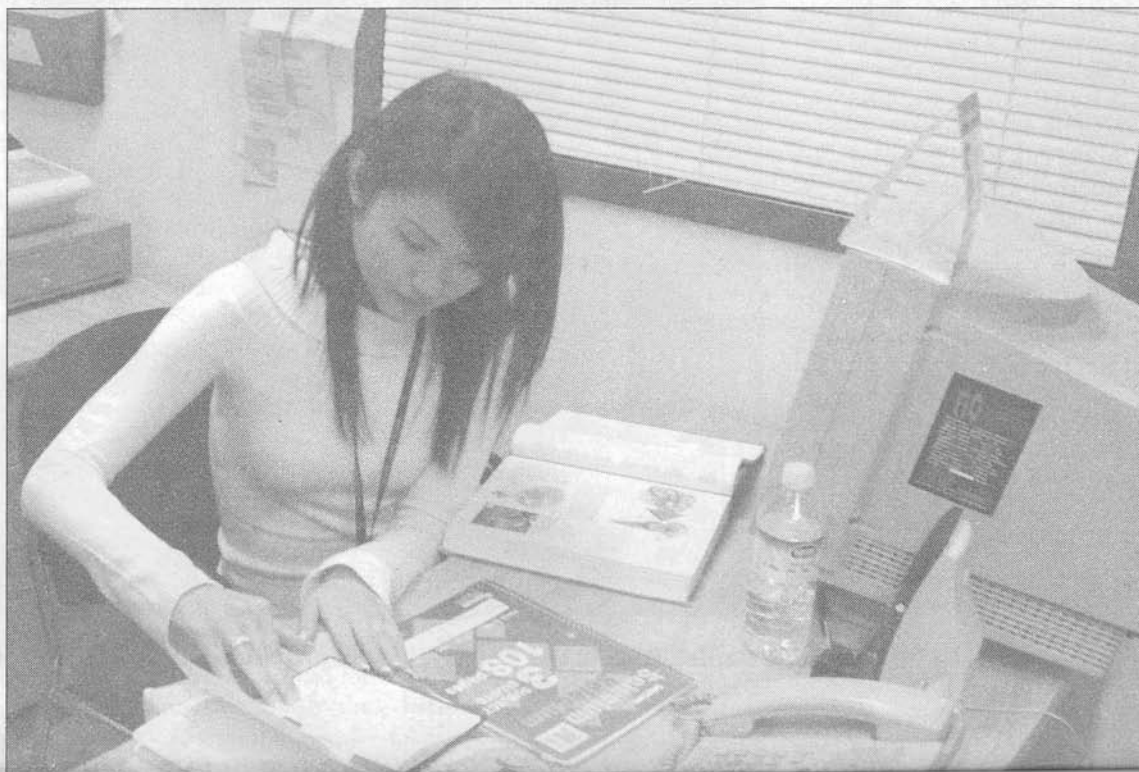


You know what I hate?
People who think turning their phone to vibrate during class means it's turned off. I'd rather their phone rang during class, leaving them embarrassed and apologetic instead of having their phone vibrate against a desk, flailing like a fish out of water, while the student just lets it go on. At least if it rings, the person will likely stop the phone after a ring or two. When the phone is on vibrate, people just leave it in their bag and let it buzz.

You know what I hate?

When you are told to buy a textbook by a teacher and you rarely, if ever, use that textbook. In some courses, the textbook is entirely use-

KSA student services



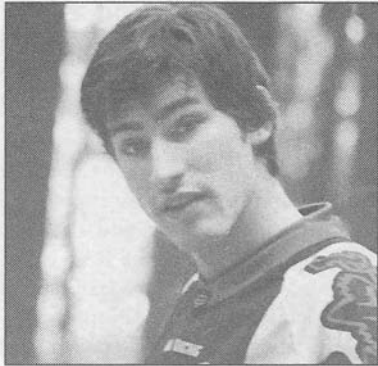
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based strictly on class notes. And don't get me started on selling those unused books back to the school.

You know what I hate?

Book buybacks that result in little or no money back. Okay, I got myself all riled up. I've gone into book buybacks before and been offered 50 cents (no, not the rapper) for a book that cost me \$30. What's worse is being offered nothing, especially for expensive book packages.

Once, when returning a package of computer science books (which also came with a CD), I was told that they had new editions coming in and offered me nothing for them. They had cost me about \$150 and here I was, along with about 100 other students, not getting a dime back. A dime wouldn't have been enough, anyway.

You know what I hate?

Kwantlen elections where students only vote for whichever party gave them the best pastry product. I'm not saying don't accept the snack, because we all know we deserve the treat after putting up with the constant harassment to vote. But don't vote just because the party fed you. Tasty pastries don't necessarily equal good candidates. Mmmm, tasty pastries.

You know what I hate?

Student governments. Period.

You know what I hate?

Chicken wraps . . . no wait, I like those.

You know what I hate?

Pay parking. I understand why it's there and Kwantlen has better rates than many other places (UBC for example, where the best rate I've seen is \$4.50 per day), but why \$1.50 or \$2.50? Can't we simplify

things and round it off? How about putting it back down to \$1 or \$2? I guess if you save up enough quarters from your book buybacks, change for parking won't be an issue.

You know what I hate?

Waiting in line to pay for parking (especially when the student in front of you is taking an hour to find that additional 50 cents). I understand short waits during peak hours, but on a daily basis, in some locations, students have to face a long wait as the line to pay often curls around like a tired, groggy snake. The solution is simple: more machines. I'm not suggesting anything crazy, like a machine for every row of cars, but another machine or two, to help deal with the bottleneck in the morning.

You know what I hate?

University elitism. We all know the feeling. That condescending look or talk you get from friends, acquaintances and partner's parents when you tell them you go to Kwantlen. These people just don't understand the benefits of the school, as opposed to other institutions.

I'm often up at UBC (my girlfriend attends school there). On numerous occasions, the tone of a conversation has changed when I announce that I don't go to UBC. I've also been told of situations where my girlfriend has had to explain why I'm in college rather than university.

On one occasion, I had a guy at-

tack me with the question, "What will going to journalism school ever do for you?" I sat there and stared at him. I couldn't comprehend the idiocy of his question. The simple answer is, that I was in journalism school at Kwantlen because I wanted to become a journalist . . . what a novel concept!

You know what I hate?

Group projects. More often than not, there's always a weak link to a group. Plus, at this age, people just don't have the time to coordinate group meetings, due to work schedules and other commitments. I'm an individual learner and I like to do my own thing. I especially don't feel comfortable in relying on others to help achieve my goals. I'm a self-made man with a face that is perfect for radio. Now let me be.

You know what I hate?

Critically acclaimed TV shows (Boomtown, Arrested Development, Titus, etc.) that are cancelled due to mediocre ratings. What does this have to do with school, you ask? Nothing, it's just something I've always wanted to get off my chest.

You know what I hate?

Alarm clocks. It isn't bad enough that I never get a very good sleep, but every morning I'm awoken to the blaring honk of my alarm clock. We've all seen the cartoons where the main character obliterates his alarm clock. I'm about two early mornings away from doing the same. I see myself with a hockey stick in hand

and nothing for the clock between the blade of my stick and cold hard pavement, but six feet of space to gain velocity.

You know what I hate?

Long-distance relationships. This is a tough subject for me, as I've done a year in limbo already and I foresee it happening again in the future. Why do we do such cruel things to ourselves? One partner leaves, while the other stays behind to wait. Both are to blame. So what do you do? You take advantage of every moment you have together with that special someone, especially if your goal in life is to be a trophy husband to your future high-priced lawyer girlfriend.

You know what I hate?

People who complain too much about things they hate.

What I like

I'm a complex man, but there are some things I do enjoy. Here's a short list:

- * Kittens
- * Rewound VHS tapes
- * Urinal cake freshness
- * Erotic stories
- * Free money
- * Warm laundry
- * My girl
- * More free money
- * Disney on Ice
- * Superheroes
- * Candy

Kwantlen students can come to Tee Ngo in the Richmond campus student association office to rent lockers and buy their bus and movie passes. More info on page 5.

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KSA services

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The KSA provides some useful services that students around Kwantlen may not know about. With the flash of a student ID, they can receive a student discount on movie tickets and B.C. Transit fares.

Students can purchase a regular priced bus pass for \$65. However, they can purchase a 10-ticket one-zone booklet for \$16. A two-zone booklet will cost students \$27. Also, with proof of full-time enrollment, students can upgrade their monthly passes into a three-zone pass for just \$3. A three-zone monthly pass would usually cost adults \$130.

As far as movie discounts go,

students can purchase Famous Players movie tickets from the student association offices for \$9 and Cineplex Odeon tickets for \$8. Movie tickets vary from theater to theater but they are always over \$10 if regularly priced. In addition, if students decide to buy four Cineplex tickets they will receive one for free.

Students who need storage space can also rent lockers from the association on a semester-by-semester basis.

The costs are \$3 for a small cubby-sized locker, \$5 for a half locker and \$10 for a full-sized locker.

Students interested in these services or other events, such as dances, can go to their campus student association office.