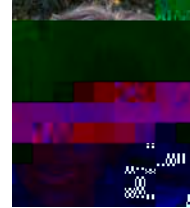


Out of my mind ...

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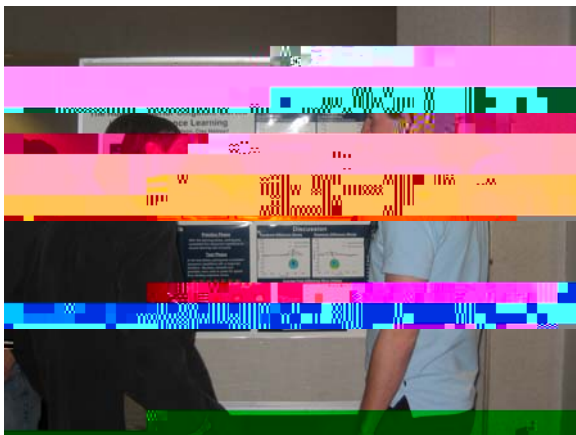
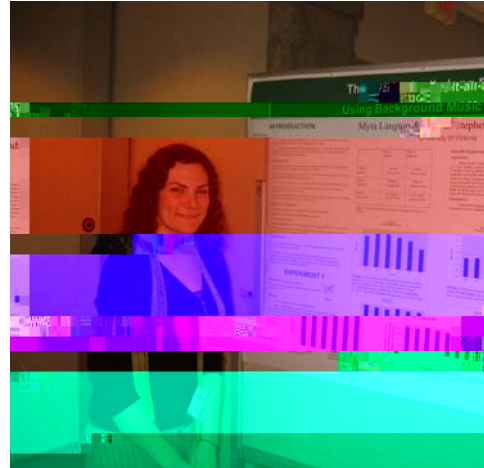
I don't think about juggling as a defining feature of my life – not because I only tackle one task at a time or because I've become supremely proficient at keeping a large set of balls in the air. Although I typically find life filled with a competing set of deadline-sensitive tasks, the image of a juggler is not what I see when I hold up the mirror.

Perhaps I am a KerPlunk-player not a juggler. In KerPlunk, a set of sticks is arranged in a criss-cross fashion in a plastic tube filled with marbles. Players take turns removing sticks from the tube. The goal is to not disturb the stack of marbles as you slide a stick from the tube. Inevitably the game rolls to a point of “KerPlunk!” where a stick slides from the tube and the entire tower of marbles crashes to the bottom, landing in the reservoir tray of the player who extracted the stick.

I've rolled through many KerPlunk situations in my life – situations where I did not foresee the complicated mess triggered by one small change. But I have maintained my zest for playing the game. Don't get me wrong. I'm not a masochist. I do not happily anticipate the crash of the marbles. But I do relish the challenge of p

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A Tremendous Success!

Bravo to all presenters & their research supervisors.

And kudos to Steve Lindsay for leading this successful event!

Bike to Work Week is Coming Soon!

Wendy Davies and Liz Brimacombe invite your participation in this wheely great event! E-mail Wendy @ wdavies@uvic.ca to be a part of our Department team.



Congratulations to graduate students who will convocate next month:

Travis Baker, MSc (supervisors: Ron Skelton and Clay Holroyd)

Leora Dahl, PhD (supervisors: Steve Lindsay and Liz Brimacombe)

Erin Eadie, MSc (supervisor: Marsha Runtz)

Kathleen Foran, MSc (supervisor: Bonnie Leadbeater)

Celine Koryzma, MSc (supervisor: Cathy Costigan)

Robert McInerney, PhD (supervisor: Kim Kerns)

Brigitte Patry, PhD

Well the year is over and it is time for a reflective, nostalgic look at the 2006-2007 school year for PsychOS.

This year saw the birth of the first ever PsychOS newsletter, aptly named “Psychobabble”. Headed up by Brian Buchan, our editor-in-chief, the inaugural year of the newsletter was a great success. Our readership grew to the point that we were attracting advertisers willing to help subsidize some printing costs! We are looking to expand even more next year: the newsletter would be an excellent way to help foster a sense of community within undergraduate Psychology students, and this is precisely our goal.

Speaking of community building, our fundraising efforts for the Vancouver Island Head Injury o f t [. 5 (