Head’s Up!
Department of Psychology
May 25, 2015

Congratulations!
Janique Fortier has received the Faculty of Arts Medal for highest standing in the Honours degree in Arts.

In September, Janique will be starting the M.Sc. Program in Community Health Sciences at the U of M. She also will be participating in a studentship with the Western Regional Training Centre.

New and Newsworthy!
The first ever Qualitative Café, organized by the Qualitative Research Group (QRG), took place on May 7th, 2015. Students, faculty members, and researchers from different disciplines shared their experiences with qualitative research. The Department of Psychology was represented by graduate students Sulaye Thakrar, Michelle Ward, and Katherine Kenyon. For more information about QRG and related events, please contact Kerstin.Roger@umanitoba.ca.

Dr. Kirsten Wirth, adjunct professor in Psychology, was recently featured in The Herald for a research-based parenting seminar series she is offering at the Bronx Park Community Centre.

Come one, come all!
Dr. Murray Singer is retiring this year. Please join us at a reception in his honour, Friday, May 29, 3:30-6:30, Pembina Hall Student Lounge (formerly the University Club).

Contributions toward a gift are welcome: Please provide cash or a cheque (payable to Mary Kuzmeniuk) to Sue Law by Monday, May 25, 2015.

More Congratulations!
Dr. Katherine Starzyk received funding from the University Research Grant Program for her project: “Reconciliation in Canada: Measuring Progress and Increasing Interest Through Inclusion.”

Katelin Neufeld, Ph.D. candidate in Psychology, has won the 2015 Aboriginal Issues Press Scholarship.

The next issue of Head’s Up! will appear in the week of June 8, 2015. News to relate? Don’t hesitate! Send it to Sue at sue.law@umanitoba.ca
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Research at MAACH Speed!

New from the Motivation and Academic Achievement Laboratory:


Defenses Up!

Sarah Rigby, M.A. Oral Defense, Tuesday, May 26, 12:00, P412, “Selective Attention to Face Cues in Adults with and without Autism Spectrum Disorders”


Brooke Beattie, M.A. Oral Proposal, Friday, May 29, 10:00 am, P412, “How Beliefs About Causes Of Mental Health Problems And Treatment Preferences Evolve Over Time And Influence Older Adults’ Pathways To Care”

Matthew Bernstein, M.A. Oral Proposal, Tuesday, June 2, 1:00 pm, P412, “A randomized, controlled trial evaluating the effects of a depression decision aid”

Defenses Down (i.e., Done)!

Caelin White Ph.D. Oral Examination Friday, May 22, “Attachment Security and Anxiety Predict Attractiveness Devaluation: How Individuals in Relationships Manage the Relationship Threat Posted by Attractive Alternatives”

Marta Krygier, M.A. Oral Proposal Friday, May 22, “Verbal Irony Comprehension in Middle School Age Children and Young Adults in Polish and English Discourse”

A Clockwork ... Pear?

Congratulations, Joe and Heather!