



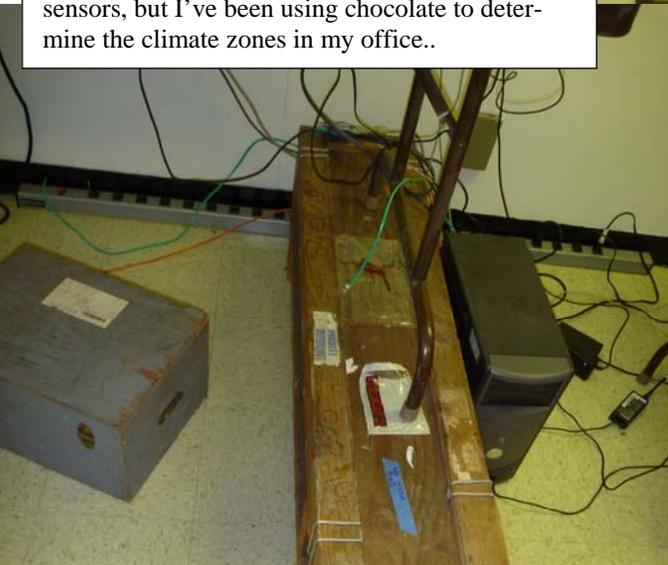


Old Spot



Happy Spot :)

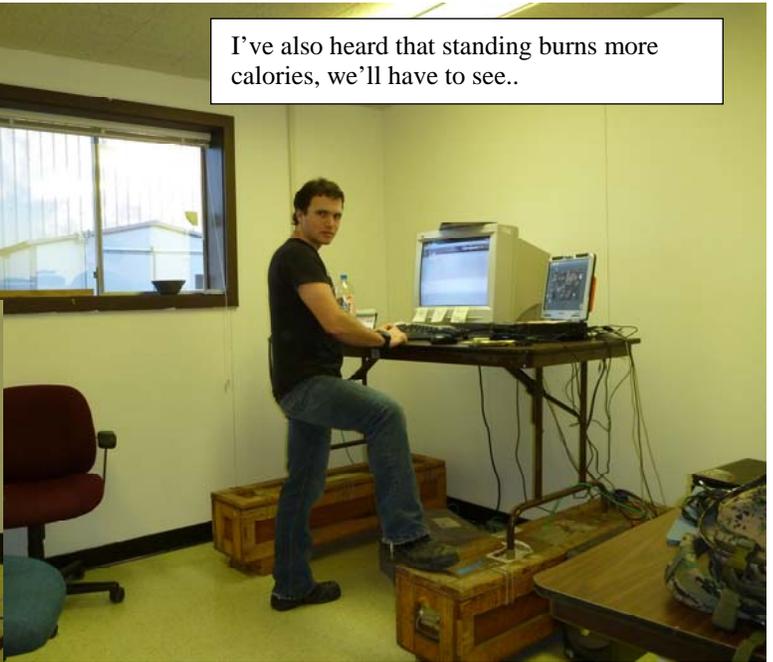
I'm in charge of a small heap of frighteningly precise NIST traceably calibrated temperature sensors, but I've been using chocolate to determine the climate zones in my office..



The blue masking tape says 'Bad' and the 'footrest' box is for (and I think still contains, but it's been a few years since I looked) A most likely originally crazy expensive underwater still camera, which has been rendered... idle by the digital revolution.. Actually I think that the inventory lady still checks it once a year and it still shows up on our equipment manifest..

Oh! And I've made some changes to my office!! Keeping the office at the temperature of melty chocolate gets kind of annoying when you want to actually eat the chocolate, so I've found that keeping the candy dish on the floor overnight helps things out... well some things....I've gained back about a pound since I got back from the last cruise :p I also decided to 'pump up' my desk a bit. I

I've also heard that standing burns more calories, we'll have to see..



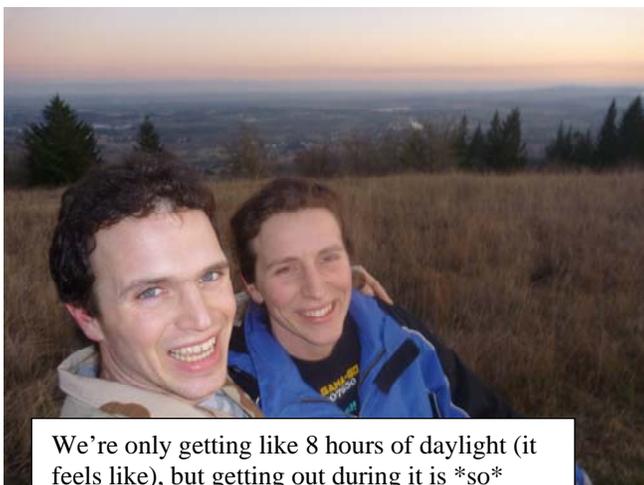
read an article on how sitting at work can case as great a health risk as being obese or smoking, and raising my desk seemed like a much better alternative than starting either one of those other habits just to gain the benefits of quitting :p Those boxes supporting the desk are boxes for (and contain) ocean-

ographic 'anchor releases'. The ones in the crates were returned form the manufacturer as 'unable to be repaired' and are probably around as old as I am, but at some point in my life they retailed at around \$12k each, meaning that I've got probably one of the more expensive desks on campus :D (we do still use them for spare parts :p )

Stephanie and I had a great run today, and I got a jog tracking app for my Droid, so you can track all our run squiggles here:

<http://www.mapmyrun.com/routes/view/60742060>

:D



We're only getting like 8 hours of daylight (it feels like), but getting out during it is \*so\* worth it when you can jog places like this.



This is Stephanie's 'smile for the camera' face :p

\*Also\* on my way through the store to get some friendsgiving supplies I came across the calculator shelf. This might sound like a small random thing, but this poor shelf is just about the saddest thing I've seen in Corvallis in a good while. The sad part about this wee shelf is that there wasn't a \*single\* HP calculator on it :( The thing of it is that Corvallis is HP research headquarters. All those fancy inkjet cartridges were developed here, and-at one point-the best engineering and business calculators in the world were developed here. Now you have to hunt around to find on on the internet, even if



Somehow Oreos, ice cream, pickles, and olives made their way into my basket before I got to the.... What did I come here for again?....

you happen to live just a few hours from where they were originally made :( Speaking of shopping, I keep forgetting the "never shop hungry" rule.....



No cheeseburgers here either... Okay, I just did some digging, and my favorite reference site (hpcalc.org) isn't coming up and has probably gone the way of the dodo bird by now :( HP has campuses all over the world and was started in 'silicon valley' but I'm like 80% sure that at least one chapter of the HP calculator saga was firmly written here, and that 20% of unsureness (and the fact that even if it \*is\* true it was at \*least\* 15yers ago) in no way stops me from harassing every HP employee that I bump into (in the grocery store, elevator, etc.) about letting a perfectly awesome line of awesome die out. :p

This caption is so big it deserves a caption...

I also stopped by to see Hai-Yue. He's working extra hard on his thesis, but in accord with the 'Presentation is everything' maxim, he's taken the odd minute out to combine a wireless mouse with a star trek phaser prop and a laser pointer the create THE MOST EPIC PRESENTATION CLICK-ER/POINTER EVER!!!! (complete with case :)



Have a laser-pointer-tastic day!! :D !!

- Dave

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P.S. the photo at the end of the last blarg was provisionally identified as a shot from 'dirty dancing', for todays arbitrary extra credit dollars (good luck at the store with those :p) what's the coolest desk/work station/place you've ever