Tiki4 UI and theme issues

Ahead of the Tiki 4 release, what are the problems related to themes and user interface? In addition to bug trackers, this page can be used to list them and solutions.

See [http://tiki.org/UI+Team+Release](http://tiki.org/UI+Team+Release) for the general approach.

**General**

- Switch-theme doesn't work unless logged in (regression). Actually the switch-theme module doesn't work except for admin, at my trunk install (chibaguy).
- Theme option can't be applied on object level in Theme Manager.
- (Maybe related to the above) themes set on an object (and category? - I didn't check) level don't override (cancel) site default theme's theme option. (For example, if a page "Darkroom" has theme Darkroom set, and the site default is Strasa + Cool option, the style for the page will be Darkroom + Cool option.)
- Edit CSS is broken (saving creates an empty file).

**CSS Menus**

- Menu item text extends beyond right margin of item space (re: [2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_menu_strasa.png](http://example.com/2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_menu_strasa.png)).
  - This is fixed now, with script Supersubs.js.
- Uneven left and right padding on menu items (re: [2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_menu_TheNews.png](http://example.com/2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_menu_TheNews.png))
  - This appears to be caused by Superfish making room for the down arrow on menu items that are parents (menuSection class), but then no dropdowns show up (maybe the arrow is there but the color contrast is bad?). Unless I'm wrong, the solution is to use option menu types unless there are actually child items. In the case of a menuSection item that has children but the site visitor doesn't have permission to see them, that'd take a perm check in the menu logic, probably, to change the parent item class for each user.

**Lists**

- Need white space between list items (re: [2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_menu_TheNews.png](http://example.com/2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_menu_TheNews.png)).
  - Should be easy to adjust.
- Should be no text below bullet (re: [2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_missing_padding_strasa.png](http://example.com/2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_missing_padding_strasa.png))
  - The lists in Strasa's modules are using the "inside" style, to give the second row of the item a few additional spaces. This was on purpose, because the theme's columns are so narrow. But if it looks bad, it can be changed to the more normal style (all text indented so won't intrude over into bullet space). The downside is fewer characters will be displayed in each line. **Update:** The inside style was in layout.css, so affected all themes, but I removed it. Styling on that level should be either in design.css or the theme stylesheets.
Login form

- Space needed at right of form (strasa) (re: 2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_missing_padding_strasa.png*) **Update:** Space added.

Modules

- Long unbroken text (URL) bleeds to right side of module (re: 2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_missing_padding_strasa2.png*)

  **Update:** I gave lists overflow:hidden, and added an override for CSS menus (which are lists) to be able to display outside their border. So long strings are cut off at the edge of the list, not the module, so there is a margin between there and the module edge.

Buttons

- *(Not sure what the problem is here (re: 2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_IE6_not_like_Firefox_strasa.png*))
  
  - The problem is IE6 ignoring selectors which are put together with selectors it doesn't understand

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  span.button a, span.button a:visited, button, input[type="reset"], input[type="submit"], span.button input, .calbuttonoff, .calbuttonon {...}
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  -- Heh, I didn't realize at first that those links should be styled as buttons. I guess we need an alternative way to style "span.button a" for IE6. Or else just leave them plain links, which would be ok with me (gary).

IE6

- Strasa login bar rises up into div#header-top (dark area) and isn't flush right.
  
  - Fixed in svn r21924. Some kludgy rules in strasa/ie6.css weren't removed when we changed the site header layout method. Also, a few "!important"s were needed to force things to display.
- Strasa - custom header link spans have visible l and r borders.
  
  - IE6 has trouble with color:transparent, so I made the border color the same as the background (also r21924).
- Same list spacing issues as other browsers

(all these re: 2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_IE6_various_issues_strasa.png*; asterisked images are from Marc's email “UI & Themes team & Tiki4: how to get help”)

**Screenshots:**

1. 2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_menu_strasa.png
2. 2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_menu_TheNews.png
3. 2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_missing_padding_strasa.png
4. 2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_Firefox_missing_padding_strasa2.png
5. 2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_IE6_not_like_Firefox_strasa.png
6. 2009-09-30_Profile_Blog_IE6_various_issues_strasa.png