2011-12 Board Slate
Western Washington Pro Chapter, Society of Professional Journalists

Your Name (please print): _____

Are you a current SPJ member (circle one): YES NO

Directions: *Please vote for one (1) candidate for each board officer position. Please vote for no more than five (5) candidates for general member. Ballots must be postmarked by Aug. 10 and returned by mail to:*

SPJ – Western Washington Pro chapter
P.O. Box 28805
Seattle, WA 98118-8805

* A copy of this ballot is also available online at SPJWash.org

Board officers (select one per position):

President (one-year term): Clay Holtzman, Freelancer and Blogger

Clay is the current President of the Western Washington Pro Chapter of SPJ and two-year veteran of the board. For five years he served as a staff writer with the Puget Sound Business Journal and is now a freelancer and blogger for NonprofitKingdom.com.

Check the candidate of your choice:
___ Clay Holtzman
___ Write-in candidate: _____

Treasurer (one-year term): Breanne Coats, Associate Editor, Business Examiner

Breanne is an associate editor with the Business Examiner. She graduated from PLU in 2008 and was the recipient of the Julie Galvan Outstanding Graduate in Journalism Award. Breanne joined the SPJ board in 2009 and was treasurer last year.

Check the candidate of your choice:
___ Breanne Coats
___ Write-in Candidate: _____

Secretary (one-year term): Monica Guzman, Digital Journalist

Monica is a digital journalist with five years' experience in the Seattle media space, including one at the online-only Seattlepi.com and another at storytelling startup Intersect. Co-creator of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer's award-winning Big Blog. Named one of top 25 journalists to follow on Twitter by SPJ's Quill Magazine.

Check the candidate of your choice:
___ Monica Guzman
___ Write-in Candidate: _____

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General Board Seats, two-year term (select no more than five):

Katherine Luck, Co-editor of Journal Newspapers

Katherine Luck is co-editor of the Journal Newspapers, which cover neighborhoods and cities from the Seattle metro area to Everett. Prior to joining the Journal, she was a freelance writer for several publications, including Seattle Woman Magazine, Northwest Baby & Child and Crosscut.
Check the candidate of your choice:
___ Katherine Luck
___ Write-in Candidate: _____

Melissa Dahl, Writer and Editor, MSNBC.com, Today.com

I'm a health writer and editor for msnbc.com; since January of this year, I've started writing and editing health content for TODAY.com. I also manage the health team's Twitter and Facebook accounts. My favorite aspect of my job is running The Body Odd blog, our hub for unusual health stories. I previously worked at newspapers in California, including The Sacramento Bee.
___ Melissa Dahl
___ Write-in Candidate: _____

Randal A. Beam, University of Washington journalism educator

I teach journalism and mass communication at the University of Washington, where I also coordinate the journalism program in the Department of Communication. I worked for about 10 years at daily and weekly newspapers before becoming a journalism teacher.
___ Randal A. Beam
___ Write-in Candidate: _____

Ethan Chung, Assistant Editor at 425 and South Sound magazines

I have been the assistant editor at 425 and South Sound magazines since 2006. I help build editorial budgets, manage freelance writers and photographers, assign features and photo shoots, maintain and build social media communities (Facebook, Twitter, etc.) and oversee all web content. I also write features and take photos.
___ Ethan Chung
___ Write-in Candidate: _____

Nicole Neroulias, Religion News Service and Beliefnet

After graduating from Cornell and Columbia, I spent 10 years reporting and editing for daily newspapers and wire services. I specialize in breaking news and religion, writing for Religion News Service and Beliefnet (@BeliefBeat). See my LinkedIn profile for more details.
___ Nicole Neroulias
___ Write-in Candidate: _____

Evonne Benedict, Social Media Manager for KING Broadcasting

I am a longtime broadcast journalist who recently switched to the digital side. I am currently the Social Media Manager for KING Broadcasting (incorporating KING TV and king5.com). I have extensive experience in TV and digital news gathering, writing, and producing. My current focus is on community engagement and the use of social media for newsgathering and dissemination.
___ Evonne Benedict
___ Write-in Candidate: _____