

**Society of Professional Journalists**  
IUP Chapter  
Meeting minutes  
April 6, 2009  
8:30 p.m.  
The Commonplace Coffeehouse  
<http://www.chss.iup.edu/journalism/spj/>

Present:

Kelly Andrews, secretary  
Ticairra Bazemore  
Dr. Loomis, faculty adviser  
Melissa Thompson  
Mike Wilson, vice president

Business:

**April 8 Alumni Panel**

- Scheduled for April 17 from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the journalism dept. or the HUB if rooms are available
- Three IUP alumni have been invited to come and talk about how to get a job and keep a job in the journalism field
  - Michael Henninger, photographer for the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
  - Daniel Feldbusch, worked as a reporter and in public relations
  - Cindi Lash, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
- Possible promotional assistance from Lasting Impressions

**In General**

- Nominations for 2009-2010 SPJ officers: Mike Wilson for president, Melissa Thompson for vice president and Ticairra Bazemore for secretary; need nominations for treasurer as well
- Send nominations by email to Dr. Loomis ([doloomis@iup.edu](mailto:doloomis@iup.edu)) or an officer ([l.f.garside@gmail.com](mailto:l.f.garside@gmail.com), [M.J.Wilson3@iup.edu](mailto:M.J.Wilson3@iup.edu), [K.K.Johnston@iup.edu](mailto:K.K.Johnston@iup.edu), [k.l.andrews@iup.edu](mailto:k.l.andrews@iup.edu)) if you want to hold an SPJ office starting this fall
- Last SPJ meeting is April 20; SPJ election of officers will be held at the meeting
- SPJ members invited to go to dinner April 17 after alumni panel at 5:30; place of dining is open for suggestions
- April 19 is IUP journalism social held at the HUB; SPJ members are invited and encouraged to attend; cost is \$5 and tickets can be bought from Lee Vest, journalism secretary
- Melissa Thompson to possibly attend SPJ National Conference at Temple University in Philadelphia April 24; details to come and officers to vote on a Bill Harder Fund SPJ subsidy for expenses.

**Kelly Andrews Memorial Newseum Field Trip**

- Rescheduled for next semester

- Watch for this event in the fall! Cost of admission will be waived for active SPJ members

**Adjourned**

- 9:10 p.m.

**Next Meeting**

- Monday, April 13 at 8:30 p.m. at The Commonplace Coffeehouse