

A changing of the guard

June 11, 2014







Fifteen Stumptowners gathered to do some business and to see some club history on June 11. By the end of the night we had an amended set of by-laws and not one, but *two*, club presidents.

We updated and tweaked our by-laws to enable a pair of folks to assume the leadership of the club. Our new co-presidents are Michael Cook ('82, left above) and Mary Dickinson Jensen ('13, right above). Outgoing president Allison Park ('04, standing in the middle photo) reviewed the year just passed, facilitated the by-laws approval and oversaw the election of Michael and Mary as well as Student Grant Chair Ted Bunga ('61, below right photo in the cap with Howard Groopman, '72). Bob Gates ('61, below left), our interim treasurer, was busy collecting dues – thanks to all who paid up for the coming 12 months! And the group was treated to a year-in-review slideshow produced by Michael with photo assistance from Ken Kane ('75).







Emilie Stayner ('05, middle photo above, foreground), Carrol Tama ('77/'82) and Dave Martinez listened as our new co-presidents spoke to the group. They will share responsibilities, though both have particular interests: Mary will continue to oversee the club calendar as the chair of the Events Committee while Michael would like to see the club bolster its membership.

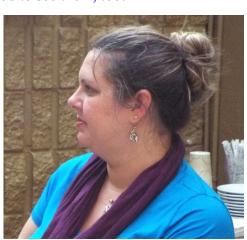




Speaking of growing the membership, it was good to see Nick Maranto ('12, left photo below) and Naomi McLaughlin ('13/'14, right photo below), newcomers to Portland, at the meeting. Ron Mittelstaedt ('63, center photo below) and Bob aren't exactly newcomers, but it's always good to see them, too!









So the gavel — or in this case the ceremonial Syracuse University sign — has been passed. Thank you, Allison for your service. Mary and Michael, thank you for stepping up to take the reins and good luck to you and club going forward!

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