West Virginia man nominated to succeed Spaeth for USGA

Stuart Block has served as vice president since 1989, and has served on 15 committees.

Palm Beach, Fla. — Stuart F. Bocchi, Wheeling, W. Va., has been nominated as the United States Golf Association's 52nd president.

Block would succeed G. Grant Speath of Palo Alto, Calif.

Others nominated were Reg Murphy, Baltimore, and M. J. Spaeth of Palo Alto, Calif.

The Pates do all course designs on computer. They have six projects under contract, for four 18-hole courses.

Jerry Pate's interest in design was heightened in 1975 when he visited a course under construction near Birmingham, Ala. — Shoal Creek.

Pabst Farm site for $470M development

Oconomowoc, Wis. — An 18-hole golf course will be a feature of a proposed development of historic Pabst Farms in the town of Summit and the village of Oconomowoc, Lake and bordering Oconomowoc.

The 1,662 acres owned by the brewery family since 1906 are north and south of Interstate 94 at Highway 67 in Waukesha County.

The development, to be built over 15 to 25 years, may eventually be worth nearly $470 million.

Plans call for single-family and multifamily homes, shops, business space, recreational facilities and environmental corridors. The development would have a Bavarian theme, reflecting the Pabst family heritage.

Taxpayer group determines to fight project

ROCHELLE, N. Y. — Approval of a $2 million 18-hole golf course at Starke Park, north of Rochelle, has a taxpayer group scared — and angry.

The Flag/Rochelle Community Park District voted 4-0 to undertake the installment purchase contract. Packard Incorporated of Chicago will be the architectural firm.

Because of a donation of 15 to 25 acres of land by Rochelle businessman Jim Walker southeast of the park, it will be possible to create the course and still avoid the Indian encampment and barn owned by the late Norman Skare, who donated the land for the park.

Tax increase opponent Robert Fuchstal said the golf course was especially unwarranted, since plans had been announced for a housing development and a $1 million 18-hole course three miles west of Rochelle.