

Bloch poised to succeed Spaeth as president of U.S. Golf Ass'n

New slate of officers stands for election

FAR HILLS, N.J. — U.S. Golf Association members were to vote Feb. 1 whether Stuart F. Bloch of Wheeling, W.Va., would succeed C. Grant Spaeth as president. Spaeth, of Palo Alto, Calif., was retiring, according to custom, after serving two one-year terms.

The election took place during the 98th annual meeting of the USGA, at Palm Beach, Fla.

Other officers nominated are: Reg Murphy of Baltimore, vice president; M.J. Mastalir Jr. of Denver, vice president; Judy Bell of Colorado Springs, Colo., secretary; and F. Morgan Taylor of Hobe Sound, Fla., treasurer.

Eight others have been re-nominated to the Executive Committee: Raymond B. Anderson of River Grove, Ill.; Thomas Chisholm of Birmingham, Mich.; D. Ronald Daniel of New York City; Trey Holland of Indianapolis; Paul G. Jenkins of Palm Springs, Calif.; John D. Reynolds III of Augusta, Ga.; Gerald A. Stahl of Rochester, N.Y.; and Peter T. Trenchard of Sister Bay, Wis.

In addition to Spaeth, both J.P. Diesel of Houston and Eugene M. Howerdd of Atlanta have retired from the Executive Committee. Nominated to succeed them are James A. Curtis of Seattle, John F. Merchant of Bridgeport, Conn., and Reed K. Mackenzie of Chaska, Minn.

Since becoming a member of the Executive Committee in 1985, Bloch has served on 15 committees. Most recently he has been chairman of the Championship Committee in 1990 and 1991 which, among other competitions, is charged with conducting the Open. He has also been chairman of the Implements and Ball Committee; the Mid-Amateur Committee; and the International Team Selection Committee. Bloch served as a vice president since 1989, and before then as secretary, in 1988.

A member of the Broadmoor Golf Club, in Seattle, Curtis was a founding member and member of the Executive Committee of the Pacific Northwest Golf Foundation, and a former director and member of the Executive Committee of the Pacific Northwest Golf Association. An actuary, Curtis is chairman and chief executive officer of Milliman and Robertson, Inc., a consulting organization.

Born and educated in Greenwich, Conn., Merchant studied at the University of Connecticut, then went to Virginia Union on an athletic scholarship. In 1958 he graduated from the University of Virginia's School of Law. He is a partner in the firm of Merchant

and Rosenblum, of Bridgeport, Conn.

Mackenzie has been a member of USGA committees since 1978. Last year he served as general chairman of committees for the United States Open Championship, which was played at Hazeltine National Golf Club, in Chaska, where he has been a member for many years.

He served as president of the Minnesota Golf Association from 1988 through 1990 after first holding the offices of secretary-treasurer and vice president. An expert on the rules of golf, he has served on the Rules Committees of USGA competitions since 1978 when he was appointed to the Junior Amateur Championship Committee.

Giesenhagen named manager of women's regional affairs

FAR HILLS, N.J. — The United States Golf Association has appointed Maggie M. Giesenhagen manager of women's regional affairs.

Giesenhagen joins the USGA staff after serving as executive director of the Colorado Women's Golf Association for three years.

The announcement was made by Anthony J. Zirpoli Jr., USGA director of regional affairs. "Maggie's appointment represents the USGA's commitment to help continue the

current boom in women's golf all across the country," Zirpoli said.

Giesenhagen will be based in Colorado and cover the West. She will assist regional and state women's golf associations, and work with the USGA's Women's Regional Affairs Committee.

A member of the Broadmoor Golf Club in Colorado Springs since 1967, Giesenhagen graduated with a bachelor's degree from Ohio State University in 1966.



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