

The first officers of The PGA of America were elected on June 26, 1916, at the PGA Annual Meeting at the Radisson Hotel in Minneapolis. They were Robert White, President; James Maiden, Vice President; George Fotheringham, Vice President and Herbert Strong, Secretary-Treasurer. The 35 men who held the office of PGA President through October 2008 are:

Order	Name	Section	Term of Office
1st	Robert White*	Metropolitan	1916-1919
2nd	Jack Mackie*	Metropolitan	1919-1920
3rd	George Sargent*	Southeastern	1921-1926
4th	Alex Pirie*	Metropolitan	1927-1930
5th	Charles Hall*	Southeastern	1931-1932
6th	George Jacobus*	New Jersey	1933-1939
7th	Tom Walsh*	Illinois	1940-1941
8th	Ed Dudley*	Colorado	1942-1948
9th	Joe Novak*	Southern California	1949-1951
10th	Horton Smith*	Michigan	1952-1954
11th	Harry Moffitt*	Northern Ohio	1955-1957
12th	Harold Sargent*	Southeastern	1958-1960
13th	Lou Strong*	Illinois	1961-1963
14th	Warren Cantrell*	Texas	1964-1965
15th	Max Elbin*	Middle Atlantic	1966-1968
16th	Leo Fraser*	Philadelphia	1969-1970
17th	Warren Orlick*	Michigan	1971-1972
18th	William Clarke	Middle Atlantic	1973-1974
19th	Henry Poe*	Dixie	1975-1976
20th	Don Padgett*	Indiana	1977-1978
21st	Frank Cardi*	Metropolitan	1979-1980
22nd	Joe Black	Northern Texas	1981-1982
23rd	Mark Kizziar	South Central	1983-1984
24th	Mickey Powell	Indiana	1985-1986
25th	James Ray Carpenter	Gulf States	1987-1988
26th	Patrick J. Rielly	Southern California	1989-1990
27th	Dick Smith	Philadelphia	1991-1992
28th	Gary Schaal	Carolinas	1993-1994
29th	Tom Addis III	Southern California	1995-1996
30th	Ken Lindsay	Gulf States	1997-1998
31st	Will Mann	Carolinas	1999-2000
32nd	Jack Connelly	Philadelphia	2001-2002
33rd	M.G. Orender	North Florida	2003-2004
34th	Roger Warren	Carolinas	2005-2006
35th	Brian Whitcomb	Southwest	2007-2008

\*Deceased

Delegates to the PGA Annual Meeting occasionally pay tribute to individuals by bestowing on them Honorary PGA membership status. These individuals earned this special recognition through their outstanding contributions to the game of golf. The following are Honorary PGA members in order of their election:

Thomas Crane*	Nov. 30, 1962
Hon. Dwight D. Eisenhower*	Nov. 29, 1967
Gary Player	Dec. 6, 1974
Hon. Gerald R. Ford*	Dec. 4, 1975
Bob Hope*	Dec. 9, 1982
Lloyd Lambert*	Dec. 11, 1986
Dennis Walters	Nov. 7, 1992
John Jachym*	Nov. 5, 1994
Hon. George H.W. Bush	Nov. 6, 2003
Joe Steranka	Nov. 8, 2008

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