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severely limited the amount of
play he can get in.
Bill has been at Salinas
Golf and Country Club for
just over two years now.
There are still a lot of pro-
jects to complete, but he and
his crew keep chugging away
one by one.
Bill has been a member of
GCSANC for two years. He
was elected to the board last
April and serves on the pro-
grams committee. Bill is a
member of GCSAA and
became a certified Golf
Course Superintendent in
April.

RESOLUTIONS
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7. Occasionally invite a
neighboring superintendent
to your course for
lunch or a game of golf.
It is amazing how many
good ideas are generated
during casual get-togeth-
ers and the opportunity
to “talk turf” with one of
your colleagues.
8. Write an article for your
association newsletter.
Most newsletter editors
are always looking for
original articles or a
different perspective on a
common problem. This
is another good way to
share information and
give something back to
your profession.
9. Volunteer to speak at a
local school or civic
group meeting about golf
course management. It
can be frightening to
speak to a large group,
but there are many peo-
ple who love golf and
would like to learn more
about what you do as a
golf course superinten-
dent. Personal contacts
such as this can make a
positive impact on school
children, politicians, and
members of the commu-
nity.
10. Make contact with your
local legislator and offer
yourself as a resource of
information on issues
pertaining to golf cours-
es. Your input and pro-
fessional expertise can
have a positive influence
on the laws and regu-
lations that affect our
industry. Most legislators
would value having such
a source of information
in their district. The
same holds true for local
newspapers. They want
to hear all sides of an
issue. Make yourself
available for quotes and
rebuttals.

If you are like me, many
of my new year’s resolutions
are out the window by Feb-
uary. But it is important to
keep on trying. Even if I can
tackle two or three of my
goals, I will have made sig-
nificant progress. Happy New
Year!

Watch Out For
That First Step!
Both Jack Nicklaus
and his opponent placed
their drives on the edge
of the 80-foot oceanside
cliff at the eighth hole
during the 1961 U.S. Amateur.
The green was on the
far side of the chasm,
and the referee, Joseph
Dey, could not tell who
was away. He was
about to toss a coin
when, as he later told
Golf magazine, Nick-
laus made a suggestion:
"Why don’t you pace it
off?"

NAUMANN’S NORCAL NEWS

Jed Noonkester has replaced Ed Manry as
superintendent at Napa Muni Golf Course. Jed
was the superintendent at Mace Meadows in
Pioneer prior to his move. Ed has moved to
the Eastern seaboard to do some golf construc-
tion work…Ken Schwark, Superintendent at
Tony Lema Golf Center in San Leandro, and
his wife Sarah are the proud parents of a new
daughter, Julia Fay...Phil Brown has accepted
the superintendent position at Stockton Golf &
Country Club. Phil was the superintendent at
the Villages CC in Lompoc prior to his move.
Phil is replacing longtime member Charles
"Bill" Fountain who is retiring after being a
superintendent for over 25 years, the last eight
at Stockton CC.

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