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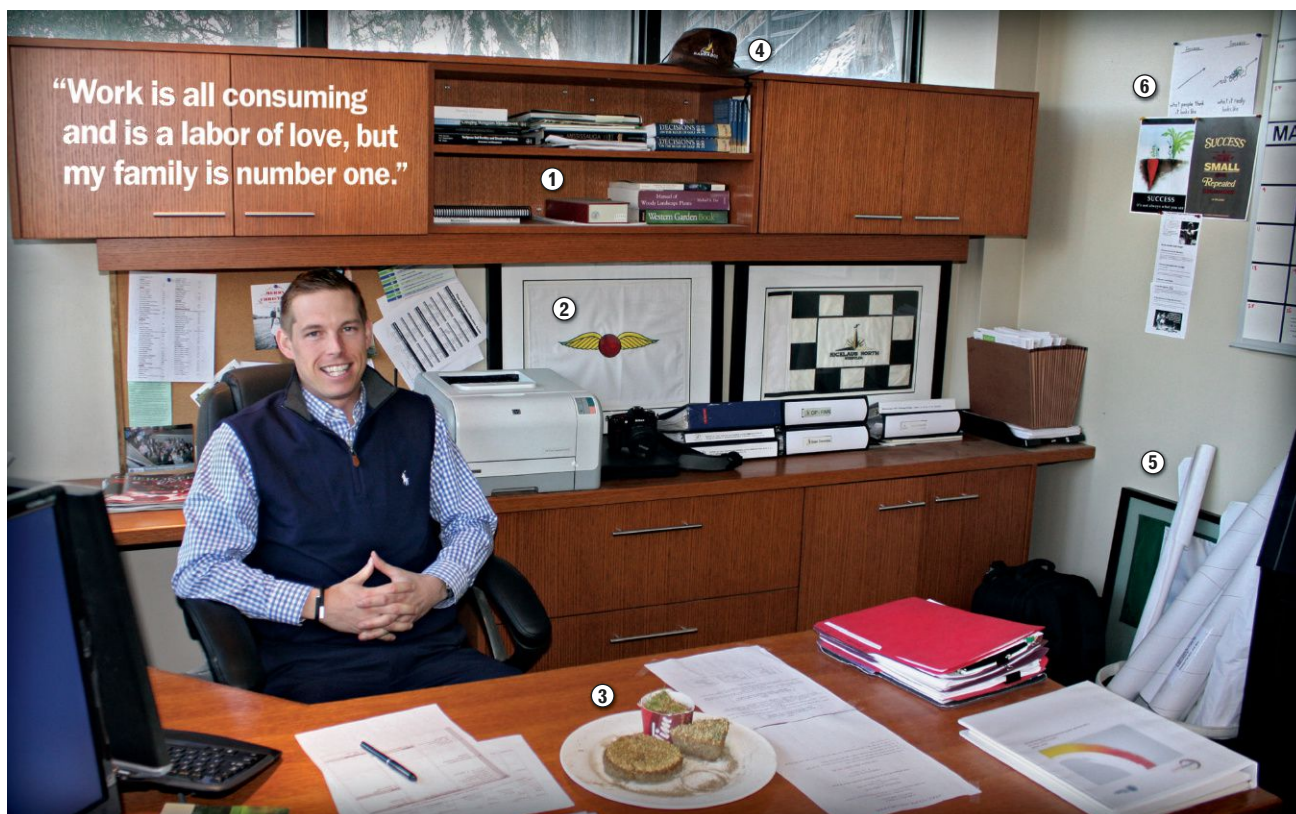
ADAM ZUBEK, golf and property manager at Mississauga (Ontario) G&CC, knows the path to success.

He's happy to share it with anyone. In fact, it's hanging right there on his wall (No. 6), for all to see. Learned over the years, the path isn't a straight line. Instead the path is full of hairpin turns, thrilling climbs, rapid descents and even vicious backtracks.

"It shows what people think (the path to success) looks like,

and what it really looks like," he says.

A Penn State University graduate, Zubek completed an internship right out of school at Baltusrol Golf Club in N.J. He then spent 10 years at Capilano G&CC in Vancouver, British Columbia. Zubek is currently enjoying his fourth year at Mississauga, and his path to success, though not a straight line, has been a fun journey.



1 SOME GOOD LUCK That box was a gift that was given to me by an intern I had at Capilano, who is now a superintendent on a course in China. He sent it to me when he got the job. It's a sacred Chinese gift that's supposed to bring you good luck.

2 CAR CHASE ON NO. 1 FAIRWAY That's a flag from Baltusrol, where I did my internship. They gave me the flag at the end of my internship. My funniest memory I have of working those six

months, was when I saw a police car driving down the middle of the first fairway, chasing a suspect from a burglary. They caught him. It's a very old, prestigious club that's hosted many U.S. Opens and the PGA, but you never think you're going to see a police car barreling down the fairway chasing a robbery suspect.

3 SAMPLER PLATTER It's been a terrible winter all over the Northeast and there's a lot of dead grass out there. These are three

samples that we pulled out of Poa spots on one of our greens to see if they were growing back. Fortunately, we're the anomaly in this area and the majority of our greens are bentgrass and we don't have any major issues. We're rocking.

4 HOME AWAY FROM HOME I love Barbados. I've spent many years going there and it's like a second home. When there I enjoy spending quality time with my family and visiting old friends.

5 BIG PLANS The blueprints are drainage and irrigation plans. We're just finishing up a \$4 million renovation plan. It's kept me busy and by the time we're done, it will be the better part of two years — 22 months for everything. The lion share was irrigation.

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