YOUR HOST SUPERINTENDENT Ray Sabbatini has spent his life in farming. In 1970 he was retained as construction superintendent and has remained as the present Golf Course Superintendent. Rick Key, Assistant Superintendent at Ridgemark has been on the job for five years. Rick, a graduate of Chico State University in Biological Sciences, is a member of GCSANC.

Ridgemark Golf and Country Club is 13 years old, being designed by Richard Bigler, Golf Course Architect. One half million yards of earth were moved and placed by four used carryalls, purchased to grade and construct the golf course and subdivision.

Originally, Ridgemark Golf & CC and surrounding areas were turkey ranches. Thus Ridgemark is known as "the Old Turkey Farm".

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Many thanks to Steve Carlton and the efficient staff at San Jose Country Club for the ingenious meeting and wonderful day of golf.

KEN'S NOTES - Ken Sakai, GCSANC President

Just a reminder that the board needs your input in regards to

- 1. Superintendent-Professional Tourney
- 2. Christmas Party
- 3. National affairs of GCSA of America

This information could be both pro or con, but we do need your opinions.

We had an excellent meeting at San Jose Country Club with an exceptional turnout of 120.

Once again I would like to thank Steve Carlton for making all the arrangements; and Babe Brinkworth for taking time out of his schedule (golf - 4 days a week) for his presentation on Safety on the Golf Course.

One important point....we have/are forgetting to wear our name tags, myself being no exception. Please be sure to have yours on at Ridgemark, February 8th. Thanks.

THE GCSA OF AMERICA annual meeting being held at 2:00 p.m. February 24. 1983 will probably be one of the most important in the history of the National Association. A vigorous discussion of the Association's move and the increase of dues issue will be voted on by the members present. Be sure to attend since your delegate CAN NOT vote for you on the dues increase. Attend the annual meeting to be sure your voice is heard.

THE CALIFORNIA GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION WANTS PERSONS TO STAY IN THE HOSPITALITY ROOM AT A REDUCED ROOM RATE OF \$50.00 per night at the Peach Tree hotel. Contact Bob Ford 415 948-6232 or home 408 281-3312