



quests of the data have come from a wide variety of users. Water management districts, emergency service agencies, National Weather Service, private forecasters and private industry such as construction, service, manufacturing, etc. are interested in the data.

Growers are encouraged to use FAWN and provide comments so the system can be improved. Plans call for expansion to North Florida, improving the database, linking models such as chemical movements in soils, minimum temperature predictions, DISC (decision information system for citrus), and others.

FAWN INTERACTIVE VOICE SYSTEM	
LOCATION, COUNTY	STATION NUMBER
Gainesville, Alachua	10
Pierson, Volusia	11
Oklawaha, Marion	12
Umatilla, Lake	13
Tavares, Lake	14
Okahumpka, Lake	15
Apopka, Orange	16
Avalon, Orange	17
Lake Alfred, Polk	18
Dover, Hillsborough	19
Ft. Pierce, St. Lucie	20
Ona, Hardee	21
Bradenton, Manatee	22
Belle Glade, Palm Beach	23
Immokalee, Collier	24
Homestead, Dade	25

Editor's note: I thought this UF/IFAS based weather network may be of interest as golf courses and urban areas

spread. You can cross check the data with what you are getting on DTN or the weather.com sites. Of course for those not yet online, the voice response system might be useful as you flirt with Mother Nature!

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NECROLOGY

Everglades Pioneer Paul Frank Dies

Paul Frank, a pioneer golf course developer, manager, superintendent and turfgrass researcher, died March 5 after a long bout with cancer. He was 66.

Except for three years in college (Florida Southern and UF) and two years in Germany with the U.S. Army, Frank spent his entire life in Collier County, where he and his father built the county's second golf course — Hole-in-the-Wall — on their 420-acre ranch in 1958. Fifteen years later, they built Wilderness Country Club where Frank served as superintendent and general manager.

One of the founders of the Everglades GCSA, Frank was a 40-year member of



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the GCSAA and a former director of the FTGA. He also served on the Collier County Planning Board for more than a decade and as a director of Barnett Bank for nearly two.

Frank is credited by many to have "discovered" ultradwarf bermudagrasses in the early 1980s when he propagated a single stolon of a dark, dense mutant of Tifton 328 bermudagrass from his 11th green into a 300-square-foot plot. In 1984, he planted the 11th green with his new grass, dubbed PF-11 in honor of its birthplace.

"Paul's greens were frequently used by scientists at the University of Florida for nematode research and other projects," noted Dr. Phil Busey, UF turfgrass breeder at the Fort Lauderdale Research and Education Center.

"He was a pioneer in new grasses and other technology. One of Paul's grasses, PF-11 ultradwarf bermudagrass, has performed the best in several tests... he appears to have been the first to discover and first to adopt such cultivars."

"The golf turf industry will miss the vision and wisdom of this man of old Florida pioneer stock who asked little and gave much to his profession," said Joel Jackson, FGCSA communications director.

Frank is survived by a son, Paul M. Frank, and two daughters, Tamara Frank and Daria Webber.

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