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to take back out onto the course.

The only place left to sit down and feel at home was at my office desk — wrong. Even here, I was hit. The office was a complete shambles (now I know what it's really like to keep a messy office). Anything of materialistic value was gone, however fortunately valuable records and various paper work were left; only problem, I just had to find it amongst the piles of paper.

By 4:00 p.m., the end of the day for a "typical Monday" proved to be an experience that I shall never forget.

There was really very little one could do except to think back and say, if only.....the building had a burglar alarm system, interconnected to either the police or a monitoring service. Perhaps a roving guard patrolling the building on a nightly route would have been nice too, but these are all ifs.....

Most golf course maintenance buildings are built on the extreme corner, out of view locations of the course which makes them easy for prey. The building represents a tremendous value of money, but it is only situations like this, that will convince owners to invest upon an efficient burglar alarm system that will secure all until the next day's work.

Sure all is insured and assuming the vendors have all of the machinery in inventory, theoretically this would be an easy way to get new equipment, but we all know this is not the case. Be glad for what you have and hold onto it as if it were worth a million bucks, because after all, it just about is. ■

Suncoast Sponsors First Benefit Tournament

The Suncoast Golf Course Superintendent's Association is proud to announce the success of its Third Annual Suncoast Scramble Tournament held March 26, 1985. The event benefits local Sara-Manatee Junior Golf, Research Fund for Florida Turf-Grass Association and Scholarship Fund.

A full field of superintendents, club managers, golf professionals and suppliers enjoyed a great day of golf which was enhanced by the beautiful surroundings of the Lakes course of Palm-Aire in Sarasota. Superintendent Jim Larner and crew had the course in excellent condition for the tournament.

The team from River Wilderness came away victorious with a 60.

Through sales of "hole" sponsorships the event raised \$1,000 for local junior golf and \$1,000 for turf research. Both figures were up from previous years. Each year the tournament has grown in size and support.

Hugh Bebout of Sarasota Country Club should be commended for his fine efforts as Tournament Director. ■



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