Research green dedicated to a very dedicated man

t was an honor to dedicate the FGCSA Research Green at the Fort

Lauderdale IFAS Research Center to the memory of Otto Schmeisser.

The event was made even more enjoyable because two of Otto's four daughters, Karen and Kris, were able to attend the ceremony. Otto was an integral part of the Palm Beach and South Florida chapters with over 30 years of service in three separate south Florida golf courses — Indian Creek GC, Gulf Stream GC and Everglades GC. He was well respected by his peers and a very likeable person.

I would like to quote the following from Kris Schmeisser: "The green was so impressive in size and structure that we are sure a tremendous amount of valuable research will be conducted at the site. He (Otto) would be very proud to be associated with this endeavor."

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has been associated with the planning and construction of this project and especially the following companies who contributed directly to the construction of the green:

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