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TURFGRASS QUIZ

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Problem:
St. Augustine grass lawn was completely void of vegetation.

Location:
City of Miami

Clue: A few live sprigs were found along with some loose soil scattered on the sidewalks.

Answer: See Page 35

Presentations made at Crowfoot Weekend

St. Lucie.

During his time with GDC he worked with Kevin Downing at Oxbow and Lonnie Stubbs at Sandpiper Bay.

After leaving GDC, Leroy has designed two golf courses in Elks Rapid, Michigan. Leroy is presently redesigning Capital City CC in Tallahassee.

He also owns and operates a tree nursery in Port St. Lucie.

Leroy's work for the industry in his professional associations includes the Florida West Coast GCSA (1958-65) where he served in various officer positions, the South Florida GCSA (1965-79) where he held officer duties and was president in 1977, and the FTGA (1959-1979) where he was a director.

Jim Svabek

Jim Svabek has been employed as golf course superintendent at Bradenton CC from 1967 to the present, some 32 years.

Prior to that he was the assistant superintendent for three years at Sunset CC

in St. Petersburg under Superintendent Rubin Hines.

Jim has been very active in the Suncoast GCSA, which he helped to organize. For the past seven years he has edited the chapter newsletter. Prior to the formation of the Suncoast chapter, he was an active member with the West Coast GCSA and served as president (1971-72) and vice president (1969-70).

He is a member of the FTGA with regular attendance at the yearly conference and show.

Jim has provided a constant line of communication through his membership in the GCSAA.

Among the major projects he has worked on is the planting of 7,000 trees on the golf course to change the course from being wide open to tree.

The following was said about Jim in the 1988 article in the Bradenton CC's newsletter: "Jim likes working at the Bradenton CC and says he has seen many changes over the years. He likes the

challenges the golf course has given him and says each day brings a new experience. He has seven people who work under him, three of whom have been with him since day one.

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"Jim and his wife, Carol, have been married twenty-five years and have three children, Steven, Michael and Karen."

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