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BOOK REVIEW

Vargas Translates Disease Terms to Useful Words

Turfgrass diseases are one of those hitches to an otherwise smooth running management program. You'd rather not study them unless you have to.

Dr. Joe Vargas of Michigan State University, has tried to make the task more interesting in his new book Management of Turfgrass Diseases, published by Burgess Publishing Co.

Vargas discusses each significant disease of warm and cool-season turfgrass and explains factors which cause, encourage, or discourage them. Diseases and cultural influences are covered for home lawns, golf courses, and sports turfs.

Selection, use, and action of turf fungicides are covered in one 15-page chapter. Some authors have written entire books on this subject alone. But, Vargas has distilled down this information to the quantity desired by turf managers. He is writing specifically for them.

There are 23 color plates of diseases on turf and numerous line drawings.

The entire book is 200 pages and sells for \$24.95. If you are looking for a simplified, basic guide to turf diseases and their control, Management of Turfgrass Diseases is your book.

L.I.S.T. Monthly **Simplifies Plant Locating, Job Costing**

When you first open L.I.S.T. Monthly, a national catalog and price list for nursery material, the rows of numbers overwhelm you. But, once you learn a few simple codes, locating and pricing plants for a job is a breeze. No more phone calls searching for each plant

in a job and then getting a firm price.

1982 issue.

Both contractors and architects should benefit greatly from this eight-month-old publication, one primary reason is the two people who created L.I.S.T. Monthly worked for major contractors. Robert MacDonald graduated from Mississippi State University's landscape contracting program and worked for Gustin Gardens in Gaithersburg, MD. He did much of the bid work for Ray Gustin's commercial division. John Cote worked for Theodore Brickman in Long Grove, IL, and is also a Mississippi State University graduate.

Currently, 145 growers have products listed in the publication. MacDonald hopes to increase that number to 600 in the near future. The February edition was 236 pages, four times larger than the original July

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