## PINE HILLS PLAYS HOST FOR OCTOBER MEETING

## By Kris Pinkerton

The October meeting of the WGCSA was held at Pine Hills Country Club and hosted by superintendent, Rod Johnson. "Ninety-eight" members and guests showed up on what was to be a gorgeous autumn day. Beautiful fall colors were very evident, but outstanding course conditions took precedence! Rod and his staff should be commended for their fine work, especially this late in the year.

The luncheon speaker featured Dr. Frank Rossi, Assistant Professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. The main topic of discussion focused on, "How to decide what bentgrass you should use?" Dr. Rossi offered the following insight:

•Superintendents should come out to the O.J. Noer Research Center and take a look at the bentgrass cultivars. Dr. Rossi offered the opportunity for anyone to cut a hole out, to look at root structure, thatch development or whatever they want.

•Obtain your own cultivars of seed from dealers and grow them in a nursery condition. Also consider placement of those bentgrasses in various parts of your golf course to see how they hold up.

•Read information from the National Turfgrass Evaluation Program (NTEP) trials. However, be careful to select information relevant only to your area!

Results from the Modified Michelob-(2-man) Event were:

| Low Gross First Place | Rick Nuss<br>Tom Baumgartner      | (71)                   |
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| Low Net First Place   | Tony Larson<br>Scott Von Spreeken | (63)                   |
| Low Net Second Place  | Scott Schaller<br>Jeff Craig      | (66)                   |
| Low Net Third Place   | Tom Kornkven<br>Wayne Horman      | (67)                   |
| Closet to the pin     | Tom Baumgartner                   | (Club Car<br>Golf Bag) |

\* It was reported that Roy Zehren, was later seen leaving the Pine Hills premises with a large buck tied to his Blazer. ???



Host Rod Johnson.



Professor Frank Rossi spoke at noon before the golf event started.



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