

# BADGER NEWS

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MEETING – July 10th – 5:00 PM at Bob and Anne's ..., Madison, Wisconsin

### ALL DAY WORKSHOP - JUNE 11TH

by Bob E

On Saturday, June 11th, from 9:00 AM to 5:20 PM, there was an all-day workshop at my-house. Although there were only six members in the workshop (Gary L. - Dave No. \_\_ Greg G. Paul St Josh H and Richard S Wisconsin) that was new member from . more than enough. We did everything from pinching new growth to bending heavy branches and carving. Gary (Vice-Pres) L. a. was setting up a tripod and I asked if he was going to take pictures. He replied, "Wait and you'll see." The next thing he did was hang a motor for his grinder from the tripod. After I marked out the length of the dead branches and where he should carve, he sat there for the next 8 hours carving away. I think the stool he was sitting on has a permanent indentation in it. Greg Gi had another older juniper that we did some extensive carving and bending on. I think it is going to be a very nice bonsai with a little more work.

If working on one tree or several, everyone had enough work to keep them busy all day. There were Juniper, Hornbeam, Gingko, White cedar (Arborvitae), and a small Kingsville boxwood that Paul brought along. Around 12:30, we took a break for lunch (brats and hotdogs) and then went back to work. My wife, Anne, tried to keep everyone in lemonade as it was quite warm and with all the dust flying I think everyone was dry.

After lunch we got back to work and two of the members decided they would like to air layer instead of cutting off branches and throwing them away on their next tree, so Josh air layered a Gingko, and Paul a Hornbeam. They should develop enough roots by the 1st of Sept to cut off and put in a pot or give extra protection this winter and pot in the spring.

So in closing, for the members that signed up for the workshop but did not show up, you missed a good workshop.

#### ANNUAL COOKOUT AND GET TOGETHER

There will not be a meeting this month. Instead, on Sunday, July 10th, at 5:00 PM, we will have our annual cookout and get together at Bob and Anne's located at Madison. The club will provide the main course (North Carolina Pulled Pork and Deep Fried Turkey) and the beverages. Members should bring a dish of their choosing to pass and a utensil to serve it with as I run out of serving spoons.

I would appreciate it if you would call me at to let me know how many of your family will be attending. It is very important that you do this early in July so I will know how much meat and drink to purchase and how many tables & chairs to set up. Hope to see you then! Bob

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